

Adirondack Park Agency

New York State

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## RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE ADIRONDACK PARK AGENCY WITH RESPECT TO THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL PERMIT 2024G-1 FOR CERTAIN MINOR REGULATED ACTIVITIES IN APA JURISDICTIONAL FRESHWATER WETLANDS

## April 18, 2024

**WHEREAS**, The Adirondack Park Agency has general jurisdiction over the deposit of fill in, excavation of, draining of a wetland, or any other activity that substantially impairs the functions served by or the benefits derived from a wetland in the Adirondack Park; and

**WHEREAS**, The Agency's approval criteria, set forth in § 809(10), mandates that a project can be permitted only when it is consistent with the land use and development plan, compatible with the character description and purposes, policies, and objectives of each land use area; and has no undue adverse impact on Park resources, including the natural, scenic, aesthetic, and open space resources; and

**WHEREAS**, Pursuant to 6 NYCRR Part 617 and section 572.23(d) of Agency regulations, issuance of a general permit is classified as a Type I action for purposes of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), and the Agency has conducted a coordinated SEQRA review as defined by SEQRA and has determined that the proposed action will not result in a significant adverse environmental impact; and

**WHEREAS**, Pursuant to Adirondack Park Agency regulations 9 NYCRR § 572.23(e), the Agency conducted a 30-day public comment period and pertinent public comment has been incorporated into the final General Permit documents presented to the Board; and

**WHEREAS**, The proposed General Permit 2024G-1 titled "Certain Minor Regulated Activities in APA Jurisdictional Freshwater Wetlands" will provide a streamlined process for certain minor activities involving wetlands that involve no permanent wetland fills or involve minor fills with compensatory wetland mitigation and otherwise have a de minimis impact on existing wetland resources, enabling Agency staff to issue expedited permits for these activities and more time to focus on projects that have greater potential for significant impacts to Park resources; and

**WHEREAS**, the Draft Order for General Permit 2024G-1 includes the information required under 9 NYCRR 572.23(b); and

**WHEREAS,** in accordance with Section 7 of New York State's Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA), the Agency has considered climate change and the state's climate goals and finds that the proposed General Permit is not inconsistent with, and will not interfere with, the attainment of the state's greenhouse gas emissions limits.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of the Adirondack Park Agency hereby approves the issuance of General Permit 2024G-1 "Certain Minor Regulated Activities in APA Jurisdictional Freshwater Wetlands" and revokes General Permit 2002G-3AAR "Certain Minor Regulated Activities in APA Jurisdictional Freshwater Wetlands".

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstentions:

Absent: