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VILLAGE OF SARANAC LAKE
WATERFRONT ASSESSMENT FORM (WAF)

Section A. Instructions

Instructions: Applicants or, in the case of direct actions, Village agencies, shall complete this WAF for proposed actions which are subject to the LWRP consistency review law. This assessment is intended to supplement other information used by a Village agency in making a determination of consistency with the Village's Local Waterfront Revitalization Program.

Before answering the questions in Section C, the preparer of this form should review the policies and explanations of policy contained in the Local Waterfront Revitalization Program (LWRP), a copy of which is on file in the Village of Saranac Lake, 39 Main St., Second Floor, Saranac Lake, NY 12983 or online at www.saranaclakeny.gov. A proposed action should be evaluated as to its significant beneficial and adverse effects upon the waterfront area.

If any question in Section C on this form is answered "yes", then the proposed action may affect the achievement of the LWRP policy standards and conditions contained in the consistency review law. Thus, the actions should be analyzed in more detail and, if necessary, modified prior to making a determination that it is consistent to the maximum extent practicable with the LWRP policy standards and conditions. If an action cannot be certified as consistent with the LWRP policy standards and conditions, it shall not be undertaken.

SECTION B. Description of Site and Proposed Action

1. Name of applicant: Adirondack Park Agency

2. Mailing address: PO Box 99, 1133 NYS Route 86

3. Telephone Number: 518-891-4150

4. Location of action: 1-3 Main Street

5. Tax Map # (s): 458.21-2-1

6. Size of site: ~2.20 acres

7. Present land use(s): Village parking lot and unoccupied bldgs

8. Present zoning classification: E-2

9. Percentage of site which contains slopes of 15% or greater: 40%

10. Type of action (check appropriate response)
- [X] Directly undertaken (e.g. capital construction, planning activity, agency regulation, land transaction)
- [ ] Financial assistance (e.g. grant, loan, subsidy)
- [ ] Permit, approval, license, certification
- [X] Agency undertaking action: Adirondack Park Agency

11. Streams, lakes, ponds, or wetlands existing within or continuous to the project area? APA and ACOE Non-jurisdictional wetland
- [ ] No
- [X] Yes If yes, Waterbody Name: Saranac River Waterbody Size(in acres): 0.10 acres

12. Describe nature and extent of action:
interior/exterior renovation of the existing buildings on site; construction of a new 3-story building including a retaining wall; re-construction and reconfiguration of site walkways, parking lot, and access way; new and upgraded utilities, sewers, water service; new landscaping; new signs,; and site features to support the same.

13. Describe any unique or unusual land forms on the project site (i.e. bluffs, ground depressions, other geological formations):
Steep slopes

14. Will the action be directly undertaken, require funding, or approval by a State or Federal Agency?
- [ ] No
- [X] Yes If yes, which State or Federal Agency? Adirondack Park Agency and NYS Office of General Services

SECTION C. Waterfront Assessment (To be completed by reviewing agency)

	YES	NO
1. Will the proposed action have a significant effect upon:		
(a) Commercial or recreational use of fish and wildlife resources	☐	☐
(b) Scenic quality of the waterfront environment?	☐	☐
(c) Development of future, or existing water dependent uses?	☐	☐
(d) Stability of the shoreline?	☐	☐
(e) Surface or groundwater quality?	☐	☐
(f) Existing or potential public recreation opportunities?	☐	☐
(g) Structures, sites or districts of historic, archeological or cultural significance to the Village, State or nation?	☐	☐
2. Will the proposed action involve or result in any of the following:	YES	NO
(a) Physical alteration of land along the shoreline, land under water or coastal waters?	☐	☐
(b) Physical alteration of two (2) acres or more of land located elsewhere in the waterfront area?	☐	☐
(c) Expansion of existing public services or infrastructure in undeveloped or low density areas of the waterfront area?	☐	☐
(d) Energy facility not subject to Article VII or VIII of the Public Service Law?	☐	☐
(e) Mining, excavation, filling or dredging?	☐	☐
(f) Reduction of existing or potential public access to or along the shore?	☐	☐
(g) Sale or change in use of publicity-owned lands located on the shoreline or under water?	☐	☐
(h) Development within designated flood hazard area?	☐	☐
(i) Development on a natural feature that provides protection against flooding or erosion?	☐	☐
(j) Diminished surface or groundwater quality?	☐	☐
(k) Removal of ground cover from the site?	☐	☐
3. Project:	YES	NO
(a) If a project is to be located adjacent to shore:		
(1) Will water-related recreation be provided?	☐	☐
(2) Will public access to the shoreline be provided?	☐	☐
(3) Does the project require a waterfront site?	☐	☐
(4) Will it supplant a recreational or maritime use?	☐	☐
(5) Do essential public services and facilities presently exist at or near the site?	☐	☐
(6) Is it located in a flood prone area	☐	☐
(7) Is it located in an area of high erosion	☐	☐
(b) If the project site is publicly owned:		
(1) Will the project protect, maintain and/or increase the level and types of public access to water-related recreation resources and facilities?	☐	☐
(2) If located in the foreshore, will access to those and adjacent lands be provided?	☐	☐
(3) Will it involve the siting and construction of major energy facilities?	☐	☐
(4) Will it involve the discharge of effluents from major steam electric generating and industrial facilities into a waterway	☐	☐
(c) Is the project site presently used by the community as an open space or recreation area?	☐	☐
(d) Does the present site offer or include scenic views or vistas known to be important to the community?	☐	☐
(e) Will the surface area of any waterways or wetland areas be increased or decreased by the proposal?	☐	☐
(f) Will the project involve any waste discharges?	☐	☐
(g) Does the project involve surface or subsurface liquid waste disposal?	☐	☐
(h) Does the project involve transport, storage, treatment or disposal of solid waste or hazardous material?	☐	☐
(i) Does the project involve shipment or storage of petroleum products?	☐	☐
(j) Does the project involve discharge of toxics, hazardous substances or other pollutants?	☐	☐
(k) Will the project affect any area designated as a freshwater wetland?	☐	☐
(l) Will the project alter drainage flow, patterns or surface water runoff on or from the site	☐	☐
(m) Will best management practices be utilized to control storm water runoff into waterways?	☐	☐
(n) Will the project cause emissions which exceed Federal or State air quality standards or generate significant amounts of nitrates or sulfates?	☐	☐

SECTION D. Remarks or Additional Information

For questions answered "Yes" in Section C, explain methods you will undertake to reduce adverse effects. Review the LWRP to see if the project is consistent with each policy. List policies the project is not consistent with and explain all mitigating actions. Add any additional sheets necessary to complete this form.

SECTION E. Preparer Information

Preparer's Name (Please print):	
Title:	
Organization Name:	
Phone Number:	
Signature:	Date:

SECTION F. Determination of LWRP Consistency (To be completed by the Planning Board)

The Village of Saranac Lake Planning Board finds that the above referenced project is:

□ consistent with LWRP policy standards and conditions.

□ not consistent with LWRP policy standards and conditions and shall not be undertaken.

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Print Name of Planning Board Chair

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Signature of Planning Board Chair Date