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NEW YORK STATE | **Adirondack Park Agency** P.O. Box 99, 1133 NYS Route 86 Ray Brook, New York 12977 Tel: (518) 891-4050 www.apa.ny.gov	APA Permit **2025-0087** Date Issued: **August 27, 2025**
In the Matter of the Application of **BOQUET RIVER ASSOCIATION, ANANATAFARM LLC, ALEXANDER CASKEY, & AUDREY H. CROCKER** **Permittees** for a permit pursuant to § 809 of the Adirondack Park Agency Act	To the County Clerk: Please index this permit in the grantor index under the following name(s): **1. AnanataFarm LLC** **2. Alexander Caskey** **3. Audrey H. Crocker**

SUMMARY AND AUTHORIZATION

This permit authorizes a watershed management/flood control project in an area classified Resource Management on the Adirondack Park Land Use and Development Plan Map in the Town of Westport, Essex County.

This authorization shall expire unless recorded in the Essex County Clerk's Office within 60 days of issuance of a signed and notarized permit. The signed and notarized permit shall be recorded in the names of all persons listed above and in the names of all owners of record of any portion of the project site on the recordation date.

The project shall not be undertaken or continued unless the project authorized herein is in existence within five years of the date the permit is recorded in the Essex County Clerk's Office. The Agency will consider the project in existence when the watershed management structures authorized herein have been installed.

The project shall be undertaken in compliance with all conditions stated herein. Failure to comply with this permit is a violation and may subject the permittee, successors, and assigns to civil penalties and other legal proceedings.

This permit does not convey any right to trespass upon the lands or interfere with the riparian rights of others in order to undertake the authorized project, nor does it authorize the impairment of any easement, right, title or interest in real or personal property.

Nothing contained in this permit shall be construed to satisfy any legal obligations of the permittee to comply with all applicable laws and regulations or to obtain any governmental approval or permit from any entity other than the Agency, whether federal, State, regional, or local.

PROJECT SITE

The project site is comprised of two adjoining parcels of land located on Angier Hill Road and Lake Shore Road in the Town of Westport, Essex County, in an area classified Resource Management on the Adirondack Park Land Use and Development Plan Map, further described as follows:

- 87.2-acre Tax Map Section 58.3, Block 2, Parcel 2.100, described in a deed from Adirondack Farms LLC to AnantaFarm LLC, dated June 30, 2022, and recorded July 12, 2022 in the Essex County Clerk's Office under Instrument Number 2022-3235; and
- 58.5-acre Tax Map Section 58.3, Block 1, Parcel 3.100, described in a deed from John R. Davis to Alexander Caskey and Audrey H. Crocker, dated July 2, 2020, and recorded July 15, 2020 in the Essex County Clerk's Office under Instrument Number 2020-2607.

The project site contains wetlands associated with Beaver Brook. Additional wetlands not described herein or depicted on the Project Plans may be located on or adjacent to the project site.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The project as conditionally approved herein involves the installation of temporary post-assisted log structures (PALS) and strategic wood addition within Beaver Brook to reduce erosion and sedimentation and improve the geomorphological condition of the stream.

The project is shown on a 20-page report titled "Beaver Brook Process-Based Restoration Project," prepared by Boquet River Association, Ruffed Grouse Society, and Essex County Soil & Water District, and received by the Agency on April 29, 2025 (Project Plans). A reduced-scale copy of Page 17 of the Project Plans is attached as a part of this permit for reference.

AGENCY JURISDICTION

Pursuant to Section 809(2)(a) of the Adirondack Park Agency Act, a permit is required from the Adirondack Park Agency prior to undertaking a watershed management and flood control project on Resource Management lands in the Adirondack Park.

CONDITIONS

THE PROJECT IS APPROVED SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:

1. The project shall not be undertaken until this permit has been recorded in the Essex County Clerk's Office.

2. This permit is binding on the permittee, all present and future owners or lessees of the project site, and all persons undertaking all or a portion of the project, for as long as the watershed management and flood control activities continue on

the site. Copies of this permit and Project Plans shall be furnished by the permittee to all subsequent owners or lessees of the project site prior to sale or lease, and by the permittee and/or any subsequent owner or lessee to all persons undertaking any development activities authorized herein.

3. In addition to complying with all terms and conditions of this permit, all future activities on the project site shall be undertaken in compliance with the requirements of New York State's Adirondack Park Agency Act, Freshwater Wetlands Act, and the Adirondack Park Agency's implementing regulations [9 NYCRR §§ 570-588].

4. All deeds conveying all or a portion of the lands subject to this permit shall contain references to this permit as follows: "The lands conveyed are subject to Adirondack Park Agency Permit 2025-0087, issued August 27, 2025, the conditions of which are binding upon the heirs, successors and assigns of the grantors and all subsequent grantees."

5. This permit authorizes the installation of PALS structures and woody debris within the stream reaches shown and as depicted on the Project Plans. Any change to the location, dimensions, or other aspect of the watershed management and flood control activities shall require prior written Agency authorization.

6. When brought from off-site, all equipment, including but not limited to trucks, excavators, tractors, etc., and hand excavation tools such as shovels, rakes, and picks, to be used on the project site shall be clean and free of soil, mud, or other similar material. If washed on the project site, equipment shall be washed in one location to prevent the distribution of propagules among different wash sites. All construction equipment and vehicles operating in areas that may contain existing invasive species shall be thoroughly cleaned prior to moving to other areas.

7. The undertaking of any activity involving wetlands shall require a new or amended permit.

8. All tree cutting and/or vegetation removal shall be limited to the area depicted and described on the Project Plans.

9. Between April 1 and October 31, no trees shall be removed or disturbed on the project site in relation to PALS construction without prior written Agency authorization, except that tree removal may occur prior to October 31 for the 2025 season.

10. An annual report shall be provided to the Agency for three years post-construction by January 31st of each year and prior to subsequent PALS installations within the described stream reaches. This report shall include assessments of changes to stream geomorphology including incision, floodplain connection, and channel to valley bottom ratio, and any consideration of additional necessary treatments.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Agency has considered all statutory and regulatory criteria for project approval set forth in the Adirondack Park Agency Act and 9 NYCRR Part 574. The Agency hereby finds that the project authorized as conditioned herein:

a. will meet all of the pertinent requirements and conditions of the approved local land use program of the Town of Westport; and

b. will not have an undue adverse impact upon the natural, scenic, aesthetic, ecological, wildlife, historic, recreational or open space resources of the Park or upon the ability of the public to provide supporting facilities and services made necessary by the project.

PERMIT issued this 27th day of August, 2025.

ADIRONDACK PARK AGENCY

BY: _____
John M. Burth
Deputy Director, Regulatory Programs

STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF ESSEX

On the 27th day of August in the year 2025, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said State, personally appeared John M. Burth, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that they executed the same in their capacity, and that by their signature on the instrument, the individual, or the person upon behalf of which the individual acted, executed the instrument.

Stephanie L Petith
Notary Public, State of New York
Reg. No 01PE6279890
Qualified in Franklin County
Commission Expires April 15, 2029

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Notary Public

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Project Site

This site plan is not a prescriptive document, but an outline for making site-specific, science-based decisions in the field that will be supported by adaptive management from the project partners.