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Date Issued: September 3, 2025

In the Matter of the Application of

BRUCE GERAW, JR. and TONYA GERAW 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. Bruce Geraw, Jr.
- 2. Tonya Geraw

SUMMARY AND AUTHORIZATION

This permit authorizes the construction of a single family dwelling in an area classified Resource Management on the Adirondack Park Land Use and Development Plan Map in the Town of Putnam, Washington County.

This authorization shall expire unless recorded in the Washington 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 Agency will consider the project in existence when the permit has been recorded.

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 142.3± acres of land located on County Route 3 in the Town of Putnam, Washington County, in an area classified Resource Management on the Adirondack Park Land Use and Development Plan Map. The site is identified as Tax Map Section 13, Block 2, Parcel 14.1, and is described in a deed from Kim Delango to

Bruce Geraw, Jr. and Tonya Geraw, recorded March 13, 2023, in the Washington County Clerk's Office as Instrument Number 2023-1013.

The project site is a portion of a larger property that was created by subdivision pursuant to Agency Permit 79-132. The project site was created by subdivision from this larger property in 2022. As this subdivision occurred on Resource Management lands, it appears that an Agency permit was required for its undertaking. Agency records indicate that no permit was obtained. By issuance of this permit, the project site shall be recognized as lawful for Agency purposes.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The project as conditionally approved herein involves construction of a single family dwelling.

The project is shown on the following maps and plans:

 "Bruce and Tonya Geraw Residential Development," in 7 sheets, prepared by Trudeau Engineering, dated June 4, 2025, and received by the Agency on June 4, 2025 (Site Plans).

A reduced-scale copy of Sheet 2 and Sheet 3 of the Site Plans for the project 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 any subdivision in a Resource Management land use area in the Adirondack Park.

Pursuant to Section 809(2)(a) of the Adirondack Park Agency Act, a permit is required from the Adirondack Park Agency prior to the construction of any single family dwelling 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 Washington County Clerk's Office.
- This permit is binding on the permittees, all present and future owners or lessees of the project site, and all persons undertaking all or a portion of the project. Copies of this permit and the Site Plans shall be furnished by the permittees 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. This permit amends and supersedes Agency Permit 79-132. The terms and conditions of Permit 79-132 shall no longer apply to the project site.
- 5. 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 2025-0120, issued September 3, 2025, the conditions of which are binding upon the heirs, successors and assigns of the grantors and all subsequent grantees."
- 6. Subject to the conditions stated herein, this permit authorizes the construction of one single family dwelling and one accessory structure on the project site in the location and footprint as depicted and described on the Site Plans. All structures on the project site shall be located inside the "Limits of Disturbance" as depicted and described on the Site Plans; and shall be no more than 30 feet in height, as measured from the highest point on the structure, to the lower of either existing or finished grade. Any change to the location or dimensions of any authorized structure shall require prior written Agency authorization.
- 7. The construction of any additional dwelling or other principal building on the project site shall require a new or amended permit.
- 8. The construction of any guest cottage on the project site shall require prior written Agency approval.
- Prior to undertaking construction of any boathouse on the project site, written authorization of plans for the boathouse, including all attached docks or walkways, shall be obtained from the Agency.
- 10. Prior to undertaking construction of any dock on the project site, written authorization of plans for the dock, including all attached upland structures, shall be obtained from the Agency.
- 11. No structures greater than 100 square feet in size, shall be constructed within 100 feet, measured horizontally, of the mean high water mark of Lake Champlain. Boathouses and docks, as defined under 9 NYCRR § 570.3, are excepted from this requirement.
- 12. Any on-site wastewater treatment system on the project site installed within five years of the date of issuance of this permit shall be constructed in conformance with the location and design shown on the Site Plans. Construction of the system shall be supervised by a New York State design professional (licensed engineer or registered architect). Within 30 days of complete system installation and prior to its utilization, the design professional shall provide written certification to the Agency that the system was built in compliance with the approved plans.

No on-site wastewater treatment system shall be installed on the project site more than five years after the date of issuance of this permit except pursuant to written authorization from the Agency.

- 13. 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.
- 14. Any new free-standing or building-mounted outdoor lights shall employ full cut-off fixtures that are fully shielded to direct light downward and not into the sky or toward County Route 3, Lake Champlain, Mill Brook or adjoining properties.
- 15. All exterior building materials, including roof, siding and trim, of any structure on the project site shall be a dark shade of green, grey, or brown.
- 16. Within 200 feet of the Limits of Disturbance, no trees, shrubs, or other woody stemmed vegetation may be cut, culled, trimmed, pruned or otherwise removed or disturbed on the project site without prior written Agency authorization, except for 1) cutting of vegetation for installation of a maximum 4-foot-wide footpath to Mill Brook and/or Lake Champlain, and 2) removal of dead or diseased vegetation, rotten or damaged trees, or any other vegetation that presents a safety or health hazard.
- 17. The undertaking of any activity involving wetlands shall require a new or amended permit.
- 18. There shall be no more than three principal buildings located on the project site at any time. The single family dwelling authorized herein constitutes a principal building. The Agency makes no assurances that the maximum development mathematically allowed can be approved.

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 single family dwelling authorized as conditioned herein:

- a. will be consistent with the land use and development plan;
- b. will be compatible with the character description and purposes, policies, and objectives of the Resource Management land use area;
- c. will be consistent with the overall intensity guidelines for the Resource Management land use area;
- d. will comply with the shoreline restrictions of § 806 of the Adirondack Park Agency Act; and
- e. 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 3 day of September, 2025.

ADIRONDACK PARK AGENCY

John M. Burth

Deputy Director, Regulatory Programs

STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF ESSEX

On the 300 day of Suptember 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, 20



