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APA General Permit/Order 2024G-1

Permit #: 2025-0224

Certificate for Certain Minor Regulated Activities in APA Jurisdictional Freshwater Wetlands

This certificate under General Permit 2024G-1 is granted to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), authorizing a minor regulated activity in a freshwater wetland pursuant to the Freshwater Wetlands Act (Environmental Conservation Law, Article 24) and the Adirondack Park Agency Act (Executive Law, Article 27, including Section 809(13)(e)), in an area classified Wilderness by the Official Adirondack Park Land Use and Development Plan as described in the application received by the Agency on September 17, 2025 and as depicted on the attached reduced-scale Project Plans. The project site is in the Town of Webb, Herkimer County.

The project shall not be undertaken or continued unless the project authorized herein, including site restoration, is completed within four years of the date of issuance of this certification.

This certificate 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 certificate 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.

Failure to comply with this general permit and approved attached Project Plans is a violation and may subject the project sponsor, successors and assigns to civil penalties and other legal proceedings, including modification, suspension or revocation of the permit.

PROJECT SITE

The project site is approximately 100 feet southeast of the intersection of the Cedar Pond Trail and Grass Pond Trail within the Ha-De-Ron-Dah Wilderness area, located within Tax Map Section 44, Block 1, Parcel 1. The project site contains coniferous forested wetlands associated with an intermittent stream. Additional wetlands not described herein or depicted on the Project Plans may be located on or adjacent to the project site.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION AS PROPOSED

The project as conditionally approved herein involves the installation of seven stepping stones spanning 20 lineal feet of wetland, associated with a trail re-route for the purpose of removing a longer section of existing trail from wetlands. The individual stones average 4 square feet in area for a total of 28± square feet of wetland impact.

The project is shown on a 21-page work plan titled "Forest Preserve Detailed Project Work Plan, Region 6, Project Title Cedar Pond Trail Southern End Relocations 2025" prepared by Michael Marsh, and dated October 9, 2025. A reduced-scale copy of Sheet 14 ("Site plan of the proposed wetland crossing") of the Project Plans for the project is attached to this certificate for easy reference. The original, full-scale maps and plans described in this paragraph are the official plans for the project, with copies available upon request from Adirondack Park Agency headquarters in Ray Brook, New York.

CONDITIONS

- This permit is binding on the permittee(s) and all contractors undertaking all or a
 portion of the project authorized herein. Copies of this certificate and Project
 Plans shall be furnished by the permittee to all contractors prior to undertaking
 the activities authorized herein.
- This certificate authorizes minor regulated activities in a freshwater wetland as depicted and described in the Project Plans. Any change to the location, dimensions, materials, or other aspect of the activities authorized herein shall require prior written Agency authorization.
- 3. The permittee shall notify the Agency in writing within five business days after the work authorized by this Certificate has been successfully completed. Written notification shall include color photographs which clearly show the completed work and site restoration and identify the date and location that the photographs were taken.
- 4. The authorized work shall be scheduled and conducted during drier periods (not during major storm events, spring runoff, and thawing conditions) to avoid and minimize erosion of soils and to prevent silting and muddying of wetlands or surface waterbodies.
- 5. Wetland disturbance including grading and grubbing of stumps and roots shall be limited to the area depicted and described on the Project Plans.
- 6. No waste disposal, material or excavation stockpiling, or dewatering discharge shall occur in or within 100 feet of wetlands unless specifically authorized in the Project Plans.
- 7. 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.

- 8. Any cutting of vegetation along the shorelines of navigable waterbodies shall be in conformance with the Shoreline Restrictions of Section 806 of the Adirondack Park Agency Act. A copy of the Shoreline Restrictions or the Citizen's Guide is available upon request.
- All tree cutting and/or vegetation removal shall be limited to the area depicted and described on the Project Plans. All cut vegetation shall be immediately removed from the wetland and adjacent area upon completion of the activity.

of October, 2025.

ADIRONDACK PARK AGENCY

John M. Elurth

Deputy Director, Regulatory Programs

STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF ESSEX

On the Hay of October 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 PETITH
Notary Public, State of New York
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