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 <p><b>NEW YORK STATE</b> <b>Adirondack Park Agency</b></p> <p>PO Box 99 · 1133 NYS Route 86 Ray Brook, NY 12977 Tel: (518) 891-4050 www.apa.ny.gov</p>	<p><b>APA General Permit/Order 2024G-1</b></p>	<p>Permit #: 2026-0053</p>
	<p><b>Certificate for Certain Minor Regulated Activities in APA Jurisdictional Freshwater Wetlands</b></p>	

This certificate under General Permit 2024G-1 is granted to New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 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 March 12, 2026 and as depicted on the attached reduced-scale Project Plans. The project site is in the Town of Arietta, Hamilton 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 located on the Northville-Placid Trail, near Spruce Lake, in the Town of Arietta, Hamilton County, in an area classified as Wilderness on the Adirondack Park Land Use and Development Plan Map. The site is identified as Tax Map Section 102, Block 1, Parcel 22.

The project site contains palustrine scrub-shrub wetlands. 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 replacement of an existing deteriorated 24-foot-long by 3-foot-wide log stringer bridge with an improved 32-foot-long by 4-foot-wide log stringer bridge, located on the Northville-Placid Trail. Repair activities include installation of 5-foot by 5-foot box crib abutments at the top of bank, in the upland area.

The project is shown on a seven-page set of plan sheets titled "Spruce Lake NPT Replacement Bridge" prepared by Jaime Parslow, and dated December 2025 (Project Plans). A reduced-scale copy of sheets 4, 5, 6, and 7 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

1. 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.
2. 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. All site restoration activities depicted and described in the Project Plans shall be implemented within three days of project completion, and in accordance with the approved implementation schedule.
4. 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.
5. 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.
6. No mechanized equipment shall be driven in wetlands. Every effort shall be made to work from upland areas and to minimize disturbances to areas adjacent to wetlands.
7. Wetland disturbance including grading and grubbing of stumps and roots shall be limited to the area depicted and described on the Project Plans.
8. 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.
9. 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.

10. 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.
11. 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.
12. Existing log stringers shall be replaced at their existing location unless structure re-location or re-alignment is specifically authorized herein.
13. Any incidental material shall be removed from the wetlands following completion of construction activities.

Dated: April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2026

Ray Brook, New York

**ADIRONDACK PARK AGENCY**

By: Ariel Lynch  
Ariel Lynch  
Environmental Program Specialist 3 (EPS3)

STATE OF NEW YORK  
COUNTY OF ESSEX

On the 8<sup>th</sup> day of April in the year 2026, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said State personally appeared Ariel Lynch, 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

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Notary Public, State of New York  
Reg. No. 01PE6279890  
Qualified in Essex County  
Commission Expires April 15, 2027

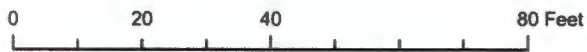
Location of new wetland fill: 5'x5' box cribs on each side for a total of 50 square feet of wetland fill.



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# Site Plan Map: Spruce Lake Replacement Bridge



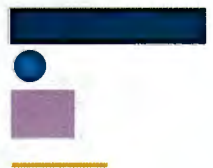
## Legend

Anticipated Area of Impact :

Project Staging Area:

Wetland Boundary:

Northville- Placid Trail:



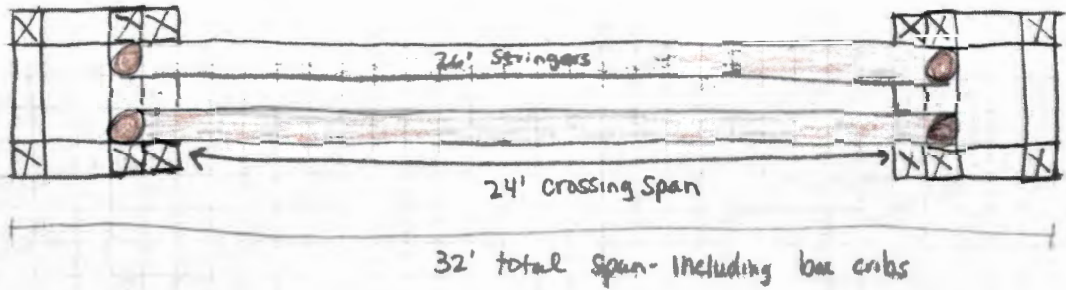
Current Wetland Fill: 20 square feet  
Current Wetland Cover: 24 feet long x 3 feet wide native stringer bridge = 72 Square feet

Proposed Wetland Fill: 50 square feet  
Proposed Wetland Cover: 32 feet long (total span of bridge including cribs) x 4 feet wide = 128 square feet

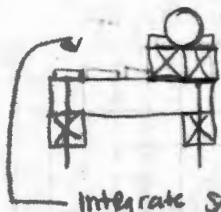
# Spruce Lake NPT Replacement Bridge

## Top View

5'x5' Crib made with 6"x6" dimensional timber  
 ↘ \* 25 square feet of wetland fill



### Side profile of crib



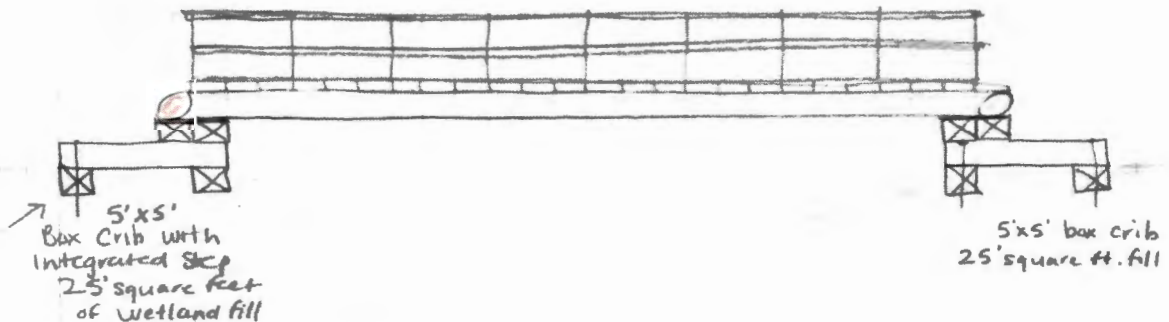
\* Cribs will be leveled and filled with native rocks for retention. Cribs will be pinned to earth with rebar.

Integrate step on crib if needed to meet elevation needs.

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# Spruce Lake NPT Replacement Bridge

## Side Profile



- Total span of bridge = 32 feet long
- Proposed bridge will be 4 feet wide
- Stringers will sit on 5'x5' box cribs

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## Property Boundary Map - Spruce Lake Bridge Replacement



0 0.05 0.1 0.2 Miles

J. Parslow 03/2026



Legend			
	Spruce Lake 1 Leanto		Upper perennial riverine
	Project Location		Palustrine
	Northville-Placid Trail		Lower perennial riverine
			Upper perennial riverine
			Palustrine
			Intermittent riverine
			Tax Parcels - Hamilton County