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**APA General Permit/Order 2024G-1**

Permit #:**2026-0210**

# Certificate for Certain Minor Regulated Activities in APA Jurisdictional Freshwater Wetlands

This certificate under General Permit 2024G-1 is granted to AuSable Freshwater Center and the Town of Jay, 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 Low Intensity Use by the Official Adirondack Park Land Use and Development Plan as described in the application received by the Agency on October 5, 2026 and as depicted on the attached reduced-scale Project Plans. The project site is in the Town of Jay, Essex 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 the existing transportation right-of-way for AuSable Drive, in the Town of Jay, Essex County, in an area classified Low Intensity Use on the Adirondack Park Land Use and Development Plan Map. The site is adjacent to Tax Map Section 17.3, Block 2, Parcel 2.100.

The project site contains wetlands associated with Potash Brook. 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 24-inch-diameter culvert with an improved 10-foot two-inch feet bottomless aluminum plate arch box culvert over Potash Brook. The project involves the installation of a temporary sandbag dam within wetlands.

The project is shown on a six-page set of plan sheets titled "Upstream Potash Brook Crossing," prepared by Northwoods Engineering PLLC, and dated September 17, 2026 (Project Plans).

A reduced-scale copy of Sheet C10 (Site Plan) 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. Prior to construction, including clearing and grubbing, temporary erosion and sediment control measures shall be installed and maintained as depicted and described in the Project Plans. All silt fence shall be properly installed with the bottom buried at a depth of at least 4 inches. Once the site has been stabilized, silt fence and any other temporary erosion and sediment controls shall be completely removed.

4. 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.

5. 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.

6. 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.

7. No mechanized equipment shall be driven in wetlands unless expressly authorized herein. Every effort shall be made to work from upland areas and to minimize disturbances to areas adjacent to wetlands.

8. Wetland disturbance shall be limited to the area depicted and described on the Project Plans.

9. No waste disposal, material or excavation stockpiling, or de-watering discharge shall occur in or within 100 feet of wetlands unless specifically authorized in the Project Plans.

10. 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.

11. 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.

12. 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.

13. Existing pipe and box culverts shall be replaced at their existing location unless structure re-location or re-alignment is specifically authorized herein. Replacement culverts and any associated scour protection must be installed so that they do not constitute a barrier to upstream movement of fish and other aquatic species.

14. Native soil material or wetland substrate shall be placed for culvert embedding and spread evenly throughout the bottom of the new culvert where appropriate.

15. New or replacement culverts shall be installed so as to preserve the pre-construction water levels unless specifically authorized herein and shall not inhibit the natural movement of fish or other aquatic species.

16. Water control structures shall be of the type and size, and shall beplaced in such a manner, so as to not impair surface water flow into or out of the wetland.

17. Water control structures shall be constructed of non-erodible materials, and located in such a manner so as to prevent its dispersion or movement by normal or high water flows.

Dated: October 27th, 2026

Ray Brook, New York

**ADIRONDACK PARK AGENCY**

By: _____

John M. Burth
Deputy Director, Regulatory Programs

STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF ESSEX

On the 27th day of October in the year 2026, 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

STEPHANIE PETITH
Notary Public, State of New York
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Qualified in Essex County
Commission Expires April 15, 2029

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Date: October 5, 2026

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## TEMPORARY DAM/DEWATERING NOTES

1. PLACE TEMPORARY DAM AS CLOSE TO WORK AS POSSIBLE WITHOUT INTERFERING WITH CONSTRUCTION OPERATIONS, IN APPROXIMATE LOCATION SHOWN ON SITE PLAN.
2. TEMPORARY DAM SHALL BE INSTALLED WITH A MINIMUM OF 1' OF FREEBOARD.
3. INSTALL TEMPORARY CULVERT FROM TEMPORARY DAM THROUGH WORK ZONE TO MAINTAIN STREAM FLOW AND TO CONDUCT WORK IN THE DRY.
4. FOR DEWATERING INSIDE WORK ZONE, IF REQUIRED, PUMP WATER THROUGH A "DIRTBAG", OR EQUAL. ENSURE PUMP RATE DOES NOT EXCEED MANUFACTURER'S RATING.
5. CHOOSE DEWATERING DISCHARGE AREA TO PREVENT EROSION AND SCOURING. SEE SITE PLAN FOR APPROVED DEWATERING DISCHARGE AREA.
6. AFTER CONSTRUCTION OF THE STREAMBED, CAREFULLY REMOVE TEMPORARY CULVERT AND TEMPORARY DAM MATERIALS SO AS TO NOT IMPACT STREAMBED.
7. REMOVE DEWATERING SEDIMENT BAG. RESTORE AREAS.

## TIE NOTES

1. DISTANCES BELOW ARE FROM BM NAIL IN POLE NYSEG 18.

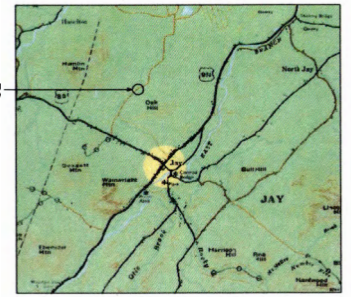
| LOCATION | DISTANCE |
|---|---|
| NE CORNER OF ARCH STRUCTURE | 48.58' |
| NW CORNER OF ARCH STRUCTURE | 54.60' |
| SE CORNER OF ARCH STRUCTURE | 74.69' |
| SW CORNER OF ARCH STRUCTURE | 80.51' |

2. DISTANCES BELOW ARE FROM 5/8" IRON ROD W CAP.

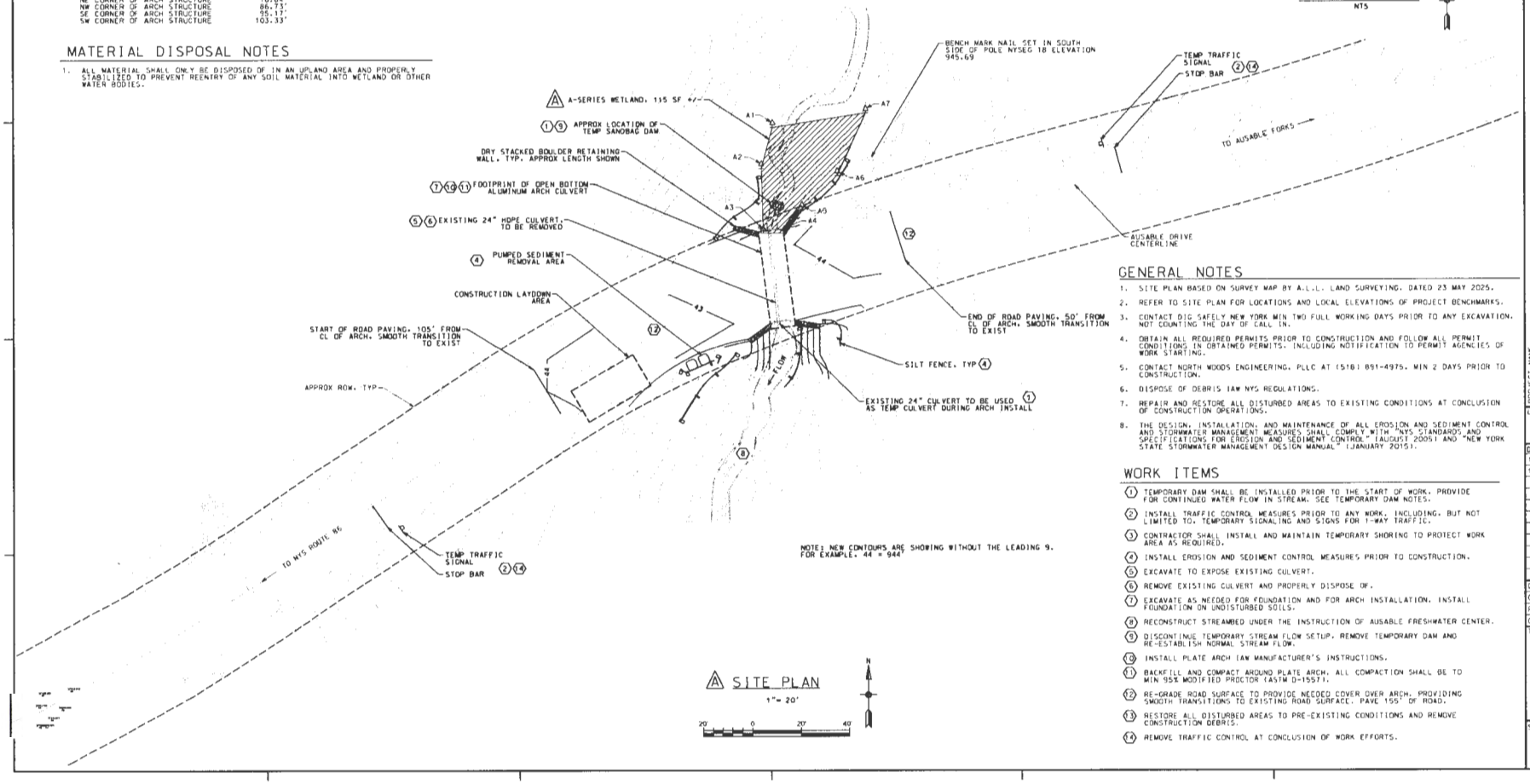
| LOCATION | DISTANCE |
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| NE CORNER OF ARCH STRUCTURE | 76.84' |
| NW CORNER OF ARCH STRUCTURE | 86.73' |
| SE CORNER OF ARCH STRUCTURE | 95.17' |
| SW CORNER OF ARCH STRUCTURE | 103.33' |

## MATERIAL DISPOSAL NOTES

1. ALL MATERIAL SHALL ONLY BE DISPOSED OF IN AN UPLAND AREA AND PROPERLY STABILIZED TO PREVENT REENTRY OF ANY SOIL MATERIAL INTO WETLAND OR OTHER WATER BODIES.




LOCATION MAP
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NOTE: NEW CONTOURS ARE SHOWING WITHOUT THE LEADING 9. FOR EXAMPLE, 44 = 944'

SITE PLAN
1" = 20'
20' 0 20' 40'

## GENERAL NOTES

1. SITE PLAN BASED ON SURVEY MAP BY A.L.L. LAND SURVEYING, DATED 23 MAY 2025.
2. REFER TO SITE PLAN FOR LOCATIONS AND LOCAL ELEVATIONS OF PROJECT BENCHMARKS.
3. CONTACT DIG SAFELY NEW YORK MIN TWO FULL WORKING DAYS PRIOR TO ANY EXCAVATION, NOT COUNTING THE DAY OF CALL IN.
4. OBTAIN ALL REQUIRED PERMITS PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTION AND FOLLOW ALL PERMIT CONDITIONS IN OBTAINED PERMITS, INCLUDING NOTIFICATION TO PERMIT AGENCIES OF WORK STARTING.
5. CONTACT NORTH WOODS ENGINEERING, PLLC AT (518) 891-4975, MIN 2 DAYS PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTION.
6. DISPOSE OF DEBRIS IAW NYS REGULATIONS.
7. REPAIR AND RESTORE ALL DISTURBED AREAS TO EXISTING CONDITIONS AT CONCLUSION OF CONSTRUCTION OPERATIONS.
8. THE DESIGN, INSTALLATION, AND MAINTENANCE OF ALL EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL AND STORMWATER MANAGEMENT MEASURES SHALL COMPLY WITH "NYS STANDARDS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL" (AUGUST 2005) AND "NEW YORK STATE STORMWATER MANAGEMENT DESIGN MANUAL" (JANUARY 2015).

## WORK ITEMS

1. TEMPORARY DAM SHALL BE INSTALLED PRIOR TO THE START OF WORK. PROVIDE FOR CONTINUED WATER FLOW IN STREAM. SEE TEMPORARY DAM NOTES.
2. INSTALL TRAFFIC CONTROL MEASURES PRIOR TO ANY WORK, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, TEMPORARY SIGNALING AND SIGNS FOR 1-WAY TRAFFIC.
3. CONTRACTOR SHALL INSTALL AND MAINTAIN TEMPORARY SHORING TO PROTECT WORK AREA AS REQUIRED.
4. INSTALL EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTION.
5. EXCAVATE TO EXPOSE EXISTING CULVERT.
6. REMOVE EXISTING CULVERT AND PROPERLY DISPOSE OF.
7. EXCAVATE AS NEEDED FOR FOUNDATION AND FOR ARCH INSTALLATION. INSTALL FOUNDATION ON UNDISTURBED SOILS.
8. RECONSTRUCT STREAMBED UNDER THE INSTRUCTION OF AUSABLE FRESHWATER CENTER.
9. DISCONTINUE TEMPORARY STREAM FLOW SETUP. REMOVE TEMPORARY DAM AND RE-ESTABLISH NORMAL STREAM FLOW.
10. INSTALL PLATE ARCH IAW MANUFACTURER'S INSTRUCTIONS.
11. BACKFILL AND COMPACT AROUND PLATE ARCH. ALL COMPACTION SHALL BE TO MIN 95% MODIFIED PROCTOR (ASTM D-1557).
12. RE-GRADE ROAD SURFACE TO PROVIDE NEEDED COVER OVER ARCH, PROVIDING SMOOTH TRANSITIONS TO EXISTING ROAD SURFACE. PAVE 155' OF ROAD.
13. RESTORE ALL DISTURBED AREAS TO PRE-EXISTING CONDITIONS AND REMOVE CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS.
14. REMOVE TRAFFIC CONTROL AT CONCLUSION OF WORK EFFORTS.


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PROJECT NAME
UPSTREAM POTASH BROOK CROSSING
AUSABLE DRIVE, JAY, NY 12941

LOCATION
JAY, NY

| DATE | ISSUED FOR | REV. |
|---|---|---|
| 10/8/25 | CONSTRUCTION | |
| 9/17/26 | SITE UPDATES | A |

DRAWN BY: TRG
CHECKED BY: JAG
PROJECT #: 25-050
ORIGINAL 24"X36"

TITLE
SITE PLAN

SHEET
C10