

<p style="text-align: center;">ADIRONDACK PARK AGENCY Division of Regulatory Programs PO Box 99, 1133 NYS Route 86 Ray Brook, New York 12977 Telephone (518) 891- 4050 www.apa.ny.gov</p>	 <p>NEW YORK STATE OF OPPORTUNITY.</p> <p>Adirondack Park Agency</p>	<p>APPLICATION FOR TIMBER HARVESTING ACTIVITIES</p> <p>Supplemental Information Request</p>
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Applicability: This Supplemental Information Request, together with a General Information Request and all required attachments is the application for an Adirondack Park Agency permit for:

- Clearcutting¹
- Forest Management in River Areas²

Instructions: Please answer all applicable questions in each numbered section and provide all required attachments. Type or print clearly in ink. **Submit three completed copies of the General Information Request, this Supplemental Information Request, and all required attachments to the Agency at the above address.** A site visit by Agency staff will also be required. The Adirondack Park Agency Act provides that the time period for review of the proposed project will not begin until the Agency determines that the application is complete. The proposed project may not be undertaken until a permit has been issued by the Agency.

Assistance and Pre-Application Meetings: For assistance in completing this application or to request a pre-application meeting, please contact the Agency’s Regulatory Programs division at the above address/telephone number and/or refer to the Agency’s website. A pre-application meeting is strongly suggested for all first-time applicants.

Background: The Adirondack Park Agency’s regulations summarize specific standards for certain timber harvesting activities, including jurisdictional clearcutting and forest management within a designated Wild, Scenic or Recreational River Area. The submitted application materials should address each of the items listed below:

¹“**Clearcutting**” means any cutting of trees over six inches in diameter at breast height (dbh) over any 10-year cutting cycle where the average residual basal area of such trees after such cutting is less than 30 ft² per acre, measured within the area harvested. Provided, however, that where regeneration is assured by stand conditions such that after such cutting the average residual basal area of trees at least one inch in dbh is at least 30 ft² per acre, measured within the area harvested, a clearcut will not be deemed to have taken place unless the average residual basal area of trees over six inches in diameter at breast height is less than 10 ft² per acre, similarly measured. An agency permit is required for: (i) clearcutting of more than 25 acres, except within industrial use areas and non-wetland areas within hamlet areas; (ii) clearcutting of more than three acres within a freshwater wetland. Individual clearcut areas of eight acres or more will be aggregated in computing the 25 acre jurisdictional threshold prescribed in this subdivision if they are not separated from each other by an intervening uncut area at least 300 feet wide at all points. Clearcutting is not allowed in river areas except in accordance with sections 577.6 and 577.8 of Agency regulations.

²“**River area**” means the wild, scenic, and recreational rivers and the private lands in their immediate environs as set forth in Appendix Q-6 of Agency regulations.

Standards for the Review of Clearcutting:

The Agency will not issue a permit to allow clearcutting subject to jurisdiction as a class A regional project, unless:

- the clearcutting is for a recognized silvicultural purpose;
- there are adequate buffers on the shorelines of lakes, ponds, rivers or streams; along major travel corridors, and, if necessary, around dwellings on adjacent lands, so as to preserve water quality and visual quality and to control noise;
- habitats of rare and endangered species and other key wildlife habitats will be protected;
- regeneration of timber is assured;
- if proposed, and if allowed by the agency, any use of pesticides and herbicides will be strictly controlled;
- harvest will be controlled by qualified personnel by contract, marked stand, direct supervision, or other adequate means;
- wood roads and skid trails will be located, and equipment will be operated, so as to minimize erosion on slopes and elsewhere;
- the storage, mixing, or bulk handling of fuel, chemicals, or other hazardous materials will be strictly controlled;
- the latest edition of the *New York State Forestry Best Management Practices for Water Quality: BMP Field Guide* (Watershed Agricultural Council Forestry Program, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, and Empire State Forest Products Association) will be adhered to, at a minimum; and
- the Agency is able to make the findings required by section 809(9) or section 809(10) of the Adirondack Park Agency Act and by Part 574 of Agency regulations.

Standards for Review of Rivers Projects

Specific forest management standards apply within designated Wild, Scenic and Recreational River Areas, as listed in Parts 577.6 and 577.8 of Agency regulations. These standards involve establishment of new woods roads, landings and bridges, equipment storage locations, and bridges. Additional vegetative cutting and tree felling standards also apply. Additional information may be required to determine compliance.

1. Project Sponsor and Authorized Representative:

(as shown on the General Information Request)

Project Sponsor: _____

Authorized Representative: _____

2. Forester/Contractor/Logger (if not the applicant):

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone (Daytime): _____

E-mail: _____

3. Indicate if any of the following apply to the project site. Provide any associated documentation confirming easement or enrollment status:

- _____ Conservation Easement
- _____ New York State 480-a Forest Tax Law Program
- _____ Forestry Certification Program
 - _____ Forest Stewardship Council (FSC)
 - _____ Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI)
 - _____ American Tree Farm Program
 - _____ Other (Describe) _____

4. Forest Management Plan:

Please provide relevant portions of any forest management plan associated with the project site and indicate how the proposed timber harvest is consistent with the plan. Proprietary information and financial details are not required.

5. Adjacent Properties:

Attachment B of the General Information Request from (GIR) requires landowner identification and contact information for properties adjacent to the project site. Please note that, in most cases, the project site for timber harvest applications will be defined by the proposed timber harvest boundary, and not the property boundary. Please provide the requested information for each adjacent property within 500 feet of the proposed project site.

6. General Description of Proposed Timber Harvest Activities (check all that apply):

- _____ Jurisdictional Clearcut (upland) _____ Acres
- _____ Jurisdictional Clearcut (wetland) _____ Acres
- _____ River area activities

7. Timber Harvest Plan:

Provide a detailed timber harvest plan. The plan should include:

- a. The name of the individual who prepared the draft plan and their forestry qualifications.
- b. The size of the site, harvest history, and a description of how this proposal will integrate with previous forest management actions.
- c. A description of the silvicultural objectives underlining the proposal, and how the proposed treatment is contained in or consistent with the forest management plan for the project site.

- d. Recent timber cruise data, including a description of both existing and proposed residual stems by size class, density and species distribution for each stand proposed for treatment.
- e. Proposed buffering protocols, including riparian management zones and roadside buffers.
- f. Habitat management considerations, including protocol for retention of snag and cavity trees, and identification of known sensitive areas, such as vernal pools or deer wintering areas.
- g. An assessment of forest health, including significant infestation or disease and storm damage.
- h. A description of proposed harvest equipment and methods (including use of portable chippers and sawmills), preharvest and postharvest techniques and harvest objectives.
- i. In the event pesticide or herbicide use is proposed, the name of the chemical and the DEC-certified applicator, the method and rate of application, copy of EPA and NYS approved label.
- j. Provide a detailed implementation schedule of project components.

8. Timber Harvest Plan Map:

Provide a scaled site plan map clearly labeled with the map scale, north arrow, date of preparation, and name of preparer. Show and label all of the following and clearly identify all existing and proposed development within and up to 500 feet from the proposed activity (including utilities, driveways, etc):

- a. The location of existing and proposed buildings, wood roads, landings, stream crossings, culverts, property lines, and easements.
- b. Location and extent of proposed harvest boundary, as well as boundaries of specific treatment types.
- c. Wetlands, waterbodies (including permanent streams), unique natural and cultural features, and topography.
- d. Proposed buffers.
- e. Any areas where the general public is allowed access, such as public hiking or snowmobile trails, public fishing access, public roads, etc.