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PERMIT

ROAD CONSTRUCTION PERMIT RP 14005

The staff of the Maine Forest Service, after reviewing the application and supporting documents submitted by SAPPI Fine Paper for the landowner: David and Gloria Guernsey for Road Construction Permit RP 14005, finds the following facts:

1. Applicant: SAPPI Fine Paper, North America
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2. Date of Completed Application: October 16, 2014
3. Location of Proposal: Dead River Township, T3R3 BKP WKR, Somerset County
Unnamed Island
4. Zoning: (P-GP) Great Pond Protection Subdistrict
(P-AL) Accessible Lake Protection Subdistrict
5. Waterbody: Flagstaff Lake
6. Approximate Time Period of Operation: November 17, 2014 to December 31, 2017

Proposal:

7. The applicant proposes to construct a fifteen foot wide logging road with a gravel surface to access a timber harvest area on an unnamed island in Flagstaff Lake. The project will consist of 1000 feet of road construction in the P-AL / P-GP Protection Subdistricts. (See Exhibit 1)
8. The proposed road project specifications are attached to application RP 14005.

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Review Comments:

9. Reviewers expressed concern about the necessity for the proposed fifty foot right-of-way. The applicant has amended the permit application to reduce the right-of way to thirty-three feet.

Findings

10. The road construction project would be conducted in very well drained soils and will follow the contour of the surrounding land to minimize the need for ditching.
11. During construction the applicant will utilize hay bales and water bars to act as sedimentation controls. Silt fence will be available on site should it be needed for erosion control.
12. The road right-of-way will be at least 100 feet from the high water mark of Flagstaff Lake.
13. The road construction project will be conducted in conformance with the standards for Chapter 27, Section 5, Land Management Roads and Water Crossings of the Maine Forest Service Rules for Timber Harvesting and Timber Harvesting Related Activities within Unorganized and Deorganized Areas of the State.
14. The above findings are based on the representations contained in the Road Project Permit Application RP 14005 and supporting documents.

Based upon the above proposal, the MFS concludes that if carried out in compliance with the conditions below, the proposal will meet the Criteria for Approval, 12 M.R.S. § 685-A(1) of the Commission's Statutes, and Maine Forest Service Rules, Chapter 27.

Therefore, the MFS staff approves the application of SAPPI Fine Paper, North America with the following conditions:

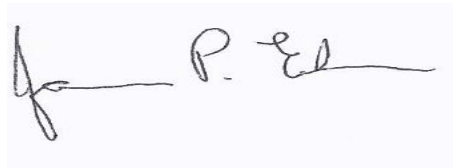
1. All road construction activities will be done according to the standards in Chapter 27 Standards for Timber Harvesting and Timber Harvesting Related Activities within Unorganized and Deorganized Areas of the State Section 5 (F) (3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10) as applicable.
2. All road construction activities will utilize Best Management Practices to minimize soil movement and erosion and prevent sedimentation of water bodies.
3. Road construction authorized in this permit can commence on the effective date of this permit and should be completed within the time outlined in Section 6 above. If such activities are not started and completed within this time period, this permit lapses and no activities may then occur unless and until a new permit or extension to the existing permit has been granted by the MFS.

4. All road construction operations shall be stopped where the continuation of such operations will cause or contribute to the occurrence of erosion or the sedimentation of surface waters, whether such occurrence is precipitated by exceptionally wet weather, the failure of water control measures, or other factors. Adequate steps must be taken immediately to stop any erosion or sedimentation of surface waters and to correct the situation that led to such occurrences.
5. The Standards for Timber Harvesting and Timber Harvesting Related Activities within Unorganized and Deorganized Areas of the State, Chapter 27, MFS Rules is attached.
6. The permit is valid only after the applicant files a Forest Operations Notification. This must be submitted prior to commencing the project.

This permit is approved only upon the above stated conditions and remains valid only if the permittee complies with all of these conditions. In addition, any person aggrieved by this decision of the staff may, within 30 days, request that the Maine Forest Service review the decision.

If no person requests that the Maine Forest Service review the decision of staff within 30 days of the date of this staff decision, this permit becomes final agency action subject to review of the Maine Administrative Procedure Act. Pursuant to 5 M.R.S. §§ 11001 *et seq.*, a person aggrieved by an MFS permit decision may appeal the MFS's final action to Superior Court. As part of such an appeal, a person aggrieved may seek judicial review of the components of MFS's final action and permitting decision.

DONE AND DATED AT OLD TOWN, MAINE, THIS 10th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2014.




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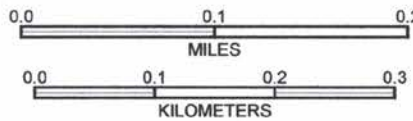
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Legend

-  Waypoint
-  250' Buffer
-  Proposed Road Location



Scale: 1:6,000
 Projection: Universal Transverse Mercator
 Datum/Zone: NAD83, Zone 19
 Basemap:
 Aerial Photo (Aug 24, 2013)



Date: 10/09/14
 Guernsey Property, Dead River



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