

# Timber Harvesting

## I. APPLICANT INFORMATION

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| 1. a. Property Owner Name _____         | 2.a. Forester Name _____ |
| b. Phone No. _____                      | b. Phone No. _____       |
| c. Site Address _____                   | c. Address _____         |
| d. Mailing address (if different) _____ | d. Cell No. _____        |
| e. Property acreage _____               | e. Estimated Cost _____  |
| f. Tax Parcel No. _____                 |                          |
| g. Zoning District _____                |                          |

II. **Timber Harvesting Plan:** please attach a plan with the following information. The plan must be in general conformance with the Timber Harvesting Guidelines of the Pennsylvania Model Forestry Regulations of the Penn State School of Forest Resources:

1. Site location and boundaries, including both the boundaries of the property on which the timber harvest will take place and the boundaries of the proposed harvest area within that property.
2. The general location of the proposed operation in relation to municipal and state highways, including any access to those highways.
3. Significant topographic features related to potential environmental problems including streams, wetlands, steep slopes, flood hazard areas etc.
4. Location of all earth disturbance activities, such as roads, landings, and water control measures and structures
5. Design, construction, maintenance, and retirement of the access system, including haul roads, skid roads, skid trails, and landings
6. Design, construction, and maintenance of water control measures and structures, such as culverts, broad-based dips, filter strips, and water bars; The BCCD E&S Template for Timber Harvest activities may be utilized for this information.
7. Design, construction, and maintenance of stream and wetland crossings.
8. Erosion and sedimentation control regulations contained in Title 25 Pennsylvania Code, Chapter 102; The BCCD timber harvest E&S plan template may be utilized.

**NOTE:** For any stream crossings, appropriate permits for said crossings shall be obtained from PADEP / BCCD prior to issuance of a Township Timber Harvest Permit.

**NOTE:** If the limit of disturbance exceeds 25 acres, then the E&S plan must also receive formal BCCD approval prior to issuance of a Township permit.

**III. Maintenance and Timber Harvesting Restrictions:** the following management practices shall apply to all timber harvesting activities:

1. Felling or skidding on or across any public thoroughfare is prohibited without the express written consent of the municipality or the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation, whichever is responsible for maintenance of the thoroughfare.
2. No tops or slash shall be left within 25 feet of any public thoroughfare or private roadway providing access to adjoining residential property.
3. All tops and slash between 25 and 50 feet from a public or private roadway providing access to adjoining residential property or within 50 feet of adjoining residential property shall be lopped to a maximum height of 4 feet above the ground.
4. No tops or slash shall be left on or across the boundary of any property adjoining the operation without the consent of the owner thereof.
5. Litter resulting from a timber harvesting operation shall be removed from the site before it is vacated by the operator or otherwise dealt with as approved by the Township (e.g. chipped and recycled on-site).
6. Felling and skidding of trees shall be undertaken in a manner which minimizes damage to trees or other vegetation not intended to be harvested (e.g., successive limbing up the tree rather than felling in its entirety).
7. No timber loads weighing more than 60,000 pounds shall be permitted on Township roads. The applicant shall review with the Township Director of Public Works the condition of any Township road that will be used to transport log loads or that may otherwise be impacted by the timbering operation.
8. The operation shall not cause harm to the environment or any other property.

Please note that where a timber harvesting activity is deemed to be in violation of these regulations, each day where any violation occurs shall constitute a separate violation subject to the provisions of the Caernarvon Township Zoning Ordinance.

**12. Acknowledgment and Signature:** I hereby certify that the information hereon and herewith is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and that I understand and will comply with all requirements required for this permit type. I also acknowledge and agree to abide by the management practices outlined in item III. above.

Property Owner's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Zoning Officer

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Paid by: \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Cash: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Fee: \_\_\_\_\_