

# **APPROVAL**

# Province of Nova Scotia Environment Act, S.N.S. 1994-95, c.1 s.1

**APPROVAL HOLDER: CENTURY FORESTRY CONSULTANTS LIMITED** 

**SITE PID:** 05114269, 05117585, 05309000, 20127270, 25039678,

25051129, 25129149, 25138058, 25141425, 25141441,

25143595, 25149006, 25160516, 25182809, 25247248,

25257999, 25355660, 25362955, 25362997, 25378332,

25485558, 25507336, 45226933, 45229432, 55077747

**APPROVAL NO:** 2020-2705097-00

**EXPIRY DATE:** December 31, 2020

Pursuant to Part V of the *Environment Act*, S.N.S. 1994-95, c.1 s.1 as amended from time to time, approval is granted to the Approval Holder subject to the Terms and Conditions attached to and forming part of this Approval, for the following activity:

Pesticide - Application of Pesticide - Forested Land

Administrator: Tanya MacKenzie

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Effective Date: August 11, 2020

The Minister's powers and responsibilities under the Act with respect to this

Approval have been delegated to the Administrator named above. Therefore, any information or notifications required to be provided to the Minister under this Approval can be provided to the Administrator unless otherwise advised in writing.

### TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

## **Nova Scotia Environment**

Approval Holder: CENTURY FORESTRY CONSULTANTS LIMITED

**Project:** Bragg - Southampton, Amherst Forestry - Southampton #2, Bragg - Lwr.

Wentworth, Bragg - Conns Mills, Bragg - Riverview, Bragg - Hastings , C.E.

Harrison - Kirkhill/Harrison Settlement, Sylvan - S. Victoria, Five Islands

Dev. - Leminster, Five Islands Forest - Victoria Harbour, Brookfield

Lumber - Lornevale, H. Freeman - W. Inglisville, H. Freeman - Paradise, Atkinsons - Lwr. Maccan, McEachern - Maccan, Simons - Salt Springs,

Harrison - Gilbert Mtn.

#### Site:

PID	Civic #	Street Name	Street Typ	e Community	County
05114269				PARADISE	ANNAPOLIS COUNTY
05117585				WEST INGLISVILLE	ANNAPOLIS COUNTY
05309000				PARADISE	ANNAPOLIS COUNTY
20127270				MONTROSE	COLCHESTER COUNTY
25039678				BROOKDALE	CUMBERLAN D COUNTY
25051129				MACCAN	CUMBERLAN D COUNTY
25129149				VALLEY ROAD	CUMBERLAN D COUNTY
25138058				SOUTHAMPTON	CUMBERLAN D COUNTY
25141425				SOUTHAMPTON	CUMBERLAN D COUNTY
25141441	63	ATHOL FORESTRY COOP	RD.	SOUTHAMPTON	CUMBERLAN D COUNTY
25143595	358	CASEY	RD.	RIVERVIEW	CUMBERLAN D COUNTY
25149006				CONNS MILLS	CUMBERLAN D COUNTY
25160516				JERSEY	CUMBERLAN D COUNTY

25182809			WEST WENTWORTH	CUMBERLAN D COUNTY
25247248 1188	PETTIGREW	RD.	HARRISON SETTLEMENT	CUMBERLAN D COUNTY
25257999 224	ATHOL FORESTRY COOP	RD.	SOUTHAMPTON	CUMBERLAN D COUNTY
25355660			SOUTH ATHOL	CUMBERLAN D COUNTY
25362955 648	ATHOL FORESTRY COOP	RD.	SOUTHAMPTON	CUMBERLAN D COUNTY
25362997			SOUTH ATHOL	CUMBERLAN D COUNTY
25378332			SOUTHAMPTON	CUMBERLAN D COUNTY
25485558 0	KIRKHILL	RD.	KIRKHILL	CUMBERLAN D COUNTY
25507336 2332	LOWER MACCAN	RD.	MACCAN	CUMBERLAN D COUNTY
45226933			LEMINSTER	HANTS COUNTY
45229432			LEMINSTER	HANTS COUNTY
55077747			VICTORIA HARBOUR	KINGS COUNTY

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**File No:** 35200-30-AMH-2020-2705097

#### **Reference Documents**

- Application submitted July 6, 2020 and attachments.

### 1. Definitions

- a. Act means Environment Act. 1994-95, c.1, s.1, and includes, unless the context otherwise requires, the regulations made pursuant to the Act, as amended from time to time.
- Department means the Department of Environment, and the contact for the Department for this approval is:
   Nova Scotia Environment
   Central Region, Amherst Office
   71 East Victoria St.
   Amherst, Nova Scotia B4H 1X7

Phone: (902) 667-6205 Fax: (902) 667-6214

- c. Minister means the Minister of Environment and includes any person delegated the authority of the Minister.
- d. Site means a place where a designated activity and/or undertaking is occurring or may occur.
- e. Surface Watercourse means a watercourse as defined in the Environment Act, excluding groundwater.

# 2. Scope

- a. This Approval (the "Approval") relates to the Approval Holder(s) and their application and all documentation submitted to the Department prior to the issuance of this approval for the Application of Pesticid situated at or near Bragg Conns Mills, Bragg Riverview, Bragg Hastings, C.E. Harrison Kirkhill/Harrison Settlement, Sylvan S. Victoria, Five Islands Dev. Leminster, Five Islands Forest Victoria Harbour, Brookfield Lumber Lornevale, H. Freeman W. Inglisville, H. Freeman Paradise, Atkinsons Lwr. Maccan, McEachern Maccan, Simons Salt Springs, Harrison Gilbert Mtn., Bragg Lwr. Wentworth, Amherst Forestry Southampton #2, Bragg Southampton.
- b. The Approval Holder(s) shall ensure the designated activity is carried out in accordance with this Approval and reference documents, including the application and supporting documentation.

#### 3. General

- a. The Approval Holder(s) shall conduct the Designated Activity in accordance with the following provisions:
  - i. The Act, as amended from time to time;
  - ii. Any standard adopted by the Department, as amended from time to time.
- b. Nothing in this Approval relieves the Approval Holder(s) of the responsibility for obtaining and paying for all licenses, permits, approvals or authorizations necessary for carrying out the work authorized to be performed by this Approval which may be required by municipal by-laws, provincial or federal legislation, or other organizations. The Minister does not warrant that such licenses, permits, approvals or other authorizations will be issued.
- c. If there is a discrepancy between the reference documents and the terms and conditions of this Approval, the terms and conditions of this Approval shall apply.
- d. Upon any changes to the Registry of Joint Stock Companies information, the Approval Holder(s) shall provide a copy to the Department within five business days.

- e. The Approval Holder(s) shall ensure that this Approval, or a copy, is present at the treatment site or loading/mixing site when the spray program is occurring and that personnel directly involved in the designated activity are made fully aware of the terms and conditions which pertain to this Approval.
- f. If this work is being undertaken on land owned by a person other than the Approval Holder(s); written authorization to treat the property from the landowner shall be forwarded to the Department before the work is undertaken. If this written authorization was submitted at the time of application for approval; it is not necessary to resubmit.

## 4. Operation

- a. When using the Radiarc sprayer, a single swath along all boundaries and buffer zones shall be undertaken in wind speeds of 10 km/hr or less and the remainder may be treated in winds of up to 15 km/hr.
- b. When the application of a pesticide is underway, wind speed shall be checked at 30 minute intervals during ground application.
- c. Should a wind speed reading exceed the maximum; a second reading shall be taken 10 minutes later and if it still exceeds the maximum; the application shall cease. It will require 2 consecutive acceptable readings 10 minutes apart to restart the application.
- d. Records shall be maintained of the time and results of all wind speed readings taken and be made available to the Department upon request.
- e. Equipment and supplies at mixing/loading sites shall be stored and maintained to prevent an adverse effect from a uncontrolled pesticide release.
- f. Pesticide shall not be applied within 30 m of any surface watercourse which is not located in Municipal potable water supply watersheds.
- g. Pesticide shall not be applied within 60 m (measured horizontally) of a well or other source of domestic water.
- h. Pesticide shall not be applied within 15 m (measured horizontally) of a Wetland.
- i. Pesticide shall not be applied within 30 m of dwellings, businesses, schools, public buildings or other structures designated by the Department, during ground spraying. Dwellings or businesses owned by the Approval Holder(s) are exempt.
- j. Pesticide shall not be applied within 15m of agricultural areas, including, but not limited to hay fields, grain fields, blueberry fields, commercial and domestic vegetable gardens, or other sensitive terrestrial areas.
- k. Pesticide shall not be applied within 10 m of any treatment site boundary that is also a property boundary. This buffer may be waived with written permission from the adjacent property owner.

- I. If the buffer zone indicated on the manufacturer's product label is greater than the buffer zones indicated in this Approval, the distance on the manufacturer's product label shall apply.
- m. Should additional sites be within a Municipal Drinking Water Supply Watershed the criteria for Pesticide Approvals in or near a Municipal Drinking Water Supply Watershed must be followed.
- n. Should additional sites be within watersheds designated under Section 106 of the Environment Act, Designation Regulations must be adhered to.

#### 5. Notification

- a. The Approval Holder(s) shall notify the Department at least 48 hours, but not more than 7 days, prior to commencement of the spray program.
- b. Once the spray program commences, the Approval Holder(s) shall keep the Department up to date with the progress of the spray program as per an arrangement deemed acceptable by the Department.
- c. The Approval Holder(s) shall ensure that all access points to all sites have posted signs deemed acceptable by the Department no less than 30 days prior to pesticide application. All signs shall:
  - i. include a space for colored fluorescent decals which shall be applied when the program commences;
  - ii. display the following wording "There is to be no consumption of berries and fruit within this spray site(s) for the remainder of the growing season";
  - iii. contain the Pesticide trade name, PCP number, Approval number and company contact information;
  - iv. not be removed during the growing season; and
  - v. all signs shall be removed by November 1, 2020.
- d. The Approval Holder(s) shall deliver a written notice to the owner or occupier of all structures (e.g. dwellings, businesses, schools, public buildings or other structures designated by an administrator) located within 500 m of the treatment site. The Approval Holder(s) shall deliver written notices at least 30 days prior to applying pesticide.
- e. The Approval Holder(s) shall publish newspaper advertisements in a manner acceptable to the Department outlining the spray program at least 20 days before spraying commences. The Approval Holder(s) shall forward to the Department proof that the media notice has been published prior to program commencement.

# 6. Contingency Plan

a. The Approval Holder(s) shall adhere to the contingency plan on file with the Department during an uncontrolled release or other emergency involving

- pesticides. A copy of the plan shall be at the treatment site or mixing/loading area at all times when the work is being undertaken.
- b. The Approval Holder(s) shall ensure that the Contingency Plan is reviewed and updated whenever equipment or products change. The Contingency Plan is to be dated to reflect the most recent update.
- c. The Approval Holder(s) shall prepare and submit a Contingency Plan for review and acceptance by the Department. The Contingency Plan shall include, but is not limited to, the following:
  - criteria levels at which mitigation actions for well interference will be triggered and
  - ii. a description of the relevant mitigation actions to be taken
- d. A copy of the Contingency Plan is to be maintained on Site at all times and is to be available for review immediately upon request by the Department.
- e. The Approval Holder(s) shall ensure that all employees are trained in accordance with the contingency plan and shall keep a record of training at the facility for a minimum period of five (5) years.
- f. A copy of the current contingency plan shall be sent to the local fire department.
- g. The Approval Holder(s) shall ensure that all necessary materials and equipment are available at all times to respond to emergencies in accordance with the Facility's Contingency Plan.

### 7. Reporting

a. The Approval Holder(s) shall submit all reports required by this Approval to the Department no later than one month after the completion of the spray program.

### 8. Site Specific

- a. Site 12 and Site 13 Annapolis County are within close proximity to the Municipal Drinking Watershed. The Approval Holder must ensure that the "Criteria for Pesticide applications in or near Municipal Water Supply Watersheds" restrictions are adhered to.
- b. Site 7, 14, 15 and 16 are within close proximity to a Protected Water Area. The Approval Holder must ensure that the Protected Water Area Regulations are adhered to.