



Adirondack Park Agency

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Governor

TERRY MARTINO
Executive Director

Memorandum

To: Terry Martino, Executive Director

From: Rob Lore, Deputy Director, Regulatory Programs

Date: October 1, 2020

Re: General Permit 2014G-1B Management of Terrestrial Invasive Species In or Potentially Impacting Wetlands In the Adirondack Park

Please find attached the above-referenced proposed general permit, along with the authorized user application and certification to use Agency General Permit G2014G-1B. Agency General Permit 2014G-1B is a reissuance of General Permit 2014G-1A, approved by the Agency in June 2015. Also attached, for your review and action is the draft Environmental Assessment Form with a proposed negative declaration.

The amendment in General Permit 2014G-1B enables the management of terrestrial invasive species that are not plants including, but not limited to, Hemlock Woolly Adelgid (*Adelges tsugae*).

General Permit 2014G-1B continues to allow users to conduct management of terrestrial invasive species in or potentially impacting wetlands without the need to seek a permit from the Agency for each specific project, so long as the work is done in compliance with specific and defined best management practices and other conditions. Users must provide an annual report to the Agency documenting all activities undertaken pursuant to the general permit in the preceding year.

The general permit continues to allow the Deputy Director of Regulatory Programs (DDRP) to add new users through the DDRP's approval of the *Application to Use General Permit 2014G-1B to Manage Terrestrial Invasive Species*. The DDRP has discretionary authority to remove authorized users, after providing notice, who are not in compliance with General Permit 2014G-1B.

Attachments