

# Borough of Economy

## FORESTRY PERMIT APPLICATION

NOTICE: Any permit issued pursuant to the approval of this application may be revoked if the issuance was based upon an incomplete or inaccurate information, or it violates any Borough of Economy Ordinance, Pennsylvania Statute, United States Law, or Court Precedent.

Article XII of Chapter 180-77 of the Code of the Borough of Economy regulates forestry. In order to determine compliance with the requirements of Article XII the applicant shall complete and supply the following information:

### APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

### PLEASE PROVIDE THE REQUESTED INFORMATION BELOW:

1. Proof that the Logger or Timber Harvester has liability insurance in the amount of \$500,000.00 to \$1,000,000.00, in favor of the Borough of Economy.
2. Proof that the Logger or Timber Harvester has property damage insurance in the amount of \$100,000.00, in favor of the Borough of Economy.
3. Proof of Workman's Compensation Insurance
4. What is the purpose of the operation: \_\_\_\_\_
5. What is the total land area involved in the operation: \_\_\_\_\_
6. What is the total number of trees to be cut: \_\_\_\_\_
7. Provide a chart indicating the quantity of trees proposed to be harvested by species and size (in DBH).
8. Provide a plan for restoration of the property.
9. Provide a map that shows:
  - The boundaries of the property,
  - The proposed access roads into the property,
  - The specific area within the property where the logging operation will occur,
  - The specific location of all trees proposed to be harvested, and
  - The location of the product loading area.
10. Provide a statement from the landowner that each tree to be removed has been designated by the forester, with paint or other distinctive means at two points, one above DBH, one below DBH
11. Provide a statement from the landowner that adjacent property to the proposed logging operation have been notified in writing and provided them with a copy of the application for the forestry permit. (Provide copy of letter and list of notified adjacent landowners.)
12. Provide a cash bond or irrevocable letter of credit as determined by the Borough Manager (\$500.00 minimum).

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**FEE:** \$10.00 per the number of loads proposed from the site

**ESCROW:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Check sheet for Forestry/Logging zoning Permit

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| All operations are located at least 300 feet from any existing dwelling?  | Yes   No |
| Route to be used by the hauling trucks shall be approved by the Borough, and the operator shall demonstrate that there shall be no negative impact on the borough roads from proposed operation | Yes   NA |
| The operator shall provide the Borough with a copy of a videotape of the condition of all roads to be utilized.   | Yes   NA |
| A performance bond shall be posted in favor of and in the amount required by the Borough to guarantee restoration of Borough roads used.  | Yes   NA |
| The applicant shall submit a copy of the State permit for hauling on State roads  | Yes   NA |
| The Applicant shall supply the Borough with the name of an on-site contact person.  | Yes   No |
| The applicant shall show compliance with Erosion and sedimentation control, stream-crossing and wetland protection and storm water management plans in the application.                         | Yes   No |
| The design, construction, maintenance and retirement of the access system, including hauling roads, skids roads, skid trails and landings   | Yes   No |
| The design, construction and maintenance of water-control measure and structures such as culverts, broad-based dips, filter strips and water bars.  | Yes   No |
| The design, construction and maintenance of stream and wetland crossings.   | Yes   NA |
| The general boundaries of the proposed operation in relation to all roads and access to these roads   | Yes   No |
| The Site location, including property boundaries and harvest area boundaries.   | Yes   No |

Significant topographic features. Yes No

The location of all earth-disturbance activities, such as roads, landings and water control measures and structures. Yes No

The location of all crossings of waters of the commonwealth Yes NA

The owner of the property has received a complete copy of the 180-77 Forestry ordinance. Yes No

Zoning officer has visited site prior to permit issuance. Yes No

All operation shall be discontinued between 7:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.; provided, further, that such operation shall not take place during any hours on Sundays or Legal government holidays.

The operator shall be responsible for cleaning dirt and debris from public streets daily during operation.

Felling or skidding on or across any public street is prohibited

No remnant of trees or debris shall be left within 25 feet of any public street or any private road providing access to adjoining property.

All remnant of trees , stumps and debris within 50 feet of a public street or residential property line shall be cut to a maximum of four feet above the adjacent ground level following completion of the forestry operation.

No remnants of trees or debris shall be left on any adjoining property or across any property line without the adjoining owners consent.

Upon Completion of the forestry operation, haul roads shall be restored to their original condition.

\_\_\_\_\_ Applicant Signature.

## **§ 180-77. Forestry.**

Forestry, as defined herein, shall be conducted in accordance with the following provisions. Proof of compliance with all requirements shall be submitted with the application for a zoning certificate.

- A. All operations shall be located at least 300 feet from any existing dwelling.
- B. All operations shall be discontinued between 7:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.; provided, further, that such operations shall not take place during any hours on Sundays or legal government holidays.
- C. Routes to be used by the hauling trucks shall be approved by the Borough, and the operator shall demonstrate that there shall be no negative impact on Borough roads from the proposed operation.
- D. The operator shall provide the Borough with a copy of a videotape of the condition of all roads to be utilized in the forestry operation prior to commencing operations.
- E. A performance bond shall be posted in favor of and in the amount required by the Borough to guarantee restoration of Borough roads used as hauling routes.
- F. The operator shall be responsible for cleaning dirt and debris from public streets daily during the operation.
- G. The applicant shall submit a copy of the state and/or county permit for hauling on state and/or county roads.
- H. The applicant shall supply the Borough with the name of an on-site contact person.
- I. Compliance.
  - (1) The applicant shall show compliance with the following laws and regulations of the commonwealth, and all necessary permits shall be maintained during the operation:
    - (a) Erosion and sedimentation control regulations contained in Chapter 102, issued pursuant to the Pennsylvania Clean Streams Law.<sup>1</sup>
    - (b) Stream-crossing and wetlands protection regulations contained in Chapter 105, issued pursuant to the Pennsylvania Dam Safety and Encroachments Act.<sup>2</sup>

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1. Editor's Note: See 35 P.S. § 691.1 et seq.

- (c) Stormwater management plans and regulations issued pursuant to the Pennsylvania Stormwater Management Act.<sup>3</sup>
- (2) Any suspension or revocation of a state permit shall constitute revocation of zoning approval, and the operator shall be subject to the enforcement provisions of § 180-109 of this chapter.
- J. A logging plan prepared and sealed by a registered surveyor or engineer shall be submitted that shows, at a minimum:
  - (1) The design, construction, maintenance and retirement of the access system, including haul roads, skid roads, skid trails and landings;
  - (2) The design, construction and maintenance of water-control measures and structures such as culverts, broad-based dips, filter strips and water bars;
  - (3) The design, construction and maintenance of stream and wetland crossings, if any;
  - (4) The general boundaries of the proposed operation in relation to Borough and state or county roads, including any accesses to those roads;
  - (5) The site location, including boundaries of the property and boundaries of the proposed harvest area;
  - (6) Significant topographic features;
  - (7) The location of all earth-disturbance activities, such as roads, landings and water-control measures and structures; and
  - (8) The location of all crossings of waters of the commonwealth.
- K. Felling or skidding on or across any public street is prohibited without the express written consent of the Borough, Beaver County or the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (Penn DOT), whichever is responsible for maintenance of the street.
- L. No remnants of trees or debris shall be left within 25 feet of any public street or any private road providing access to adjoining residential property during the operation.

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2. Editor's Note: See 32 P.S. § 693.1 et seq.

3. Editor's Note: See 32 P.S. § 680.1 et seq.

- M. All remnants of trees, stumps and debris within 50 feet of a public street or residential property line shall be cut to a maximum of four feet above the adjacent ground level following completion of the forestry operation.
- N. No remnants of trees or debris shall be left on any adjoining property or across any property line without the consent of the adjoining owner during the operation.
- O. Upon completion of the forestry operation, haul roads shall be restored to their original condition.