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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION
NASHVILLE ENVIRONMENTAL FIELD OFFICE
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Mr. David McGowan
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Subject: **General Permit for Construction and Removal of Minor Road Crossings
Aquatic Resource Alteration Permit (ARAP) NR1804.315
Carothers Crossing UDO
Regent Development, LLC
Nashville, Davidson County, Tennessee**

Dear Mr. McGowan:

We have reviewed your application for the proposed 2 Road crossings.- Ph. 7, Sec. 1. Pursuant to the *Tennessee Water Quality Control Act of 1977* (T.C.A. § 69-3-101 et seq.) and supporting regulations the Division of Water Resources is required to determine whether the activity described in the attached notice of coverage will violate applicable water quality standards. This permit may also serve as a federal §401 water quality certification (pursuant to 33 U.S.C. §1341).

This activity is governed by the *General Permit for Construction and Removal of Minor Road Crossings*. The work must be accomplished in conformance with accepted plans and information submitted in support of application NR1804.315 and the limitations and conditions set forth in the *General Permit for Construction and Removal of Minor Road Crossings* (enclosed). It is the responsibility of the permittee to ensure that all contractors involved with this project have read and understand the permit conditions before the project begins.

Excavation and fill activities associated with the road crossings must be separated from flowing waters. This may be accomplished through the utilization of cofferdams (non-erodible materials), berms or temporary channels. The bottom of the culverts must be constructed below the stream bed elevation to allow natural substrate to reestablish. Over-widening of the channel is expressly prohibited. All box culverts with more than one barrel must be constructed in a manner which will concentrate baseflow into one barrel. All disturbed areas must be revegetated or otherwise stabilized upon completion of construction.

Annual Maintenance and Coverage Termination

Permittees will be assessed an annual maintenance fee of \$350 for coverages that exceed one year. Please note that this maintenance fee does not grant the right to extend coverage past the expiration date of the General Permit.

Permittees may terminate coverage prior to the expiration date by submitting a completed notice of termination form (NOT), which is available on the division's webpage at http://tdec.tn.gov/etdec/DownloadFile.aspx?row_id=CN-1450. A complete NOT should include photodocumentation of the finished project area. The division will notify the permittee that either the NOT was received and accepted, or that the permit coverage is not eligible for termination (due to existing deficiencies) and has not been terminated.

We appreciate your attention to the terms and conditions of this general permit for aquatic resource alteration. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Tracy Daugherty at (931) 520-6676 or by e-mail at Tracy.Daugherty@tn.gov.

Sincerely,



Brad Ulmer
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Division of Water Resources

Encl: NOC and copy of general permit

CC: Nashville EFO Permit File

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Under the Aquatic Resource Alteration

General Permit for Construction and Removal of Minor Road Crossings

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ARAP - NR1804.315

Under authority of the Tennessee Water Quality Control Act of 1977 (TWQCA, T.C.A. 69-3-101 et seq.) the Division of Water Resources has determined the activity described below would not violate applicable water quality standards.

This activity is governed by the *General Permit for Construction and Removal of Minor Road Crossings* issued pursuant to the TWQCA. The work must be accomplished in conformance with accepted plans, specifications, data and other information submitted in support of application NR1804.315 and the terms and conditions set forth in the above referenced general permit.

PERMITTEE: Regent Development, LLC

AUTHORIZED WORK: 2 Road crossings.- Ph. 7, Sec. 1

LOCATION: Carothers Road, Davidson County

Latitude: 35.984244 Longitude: -86.613608

WATERBODY NAME: Hurricane Creek

EFFECTIVE DATE: 14-DEC-18

EXPIRATION DATE: 06-APR-20

This does not preclude requirements of other federal, state or local laws. In particular, work shall not commence until the applicant has received the federal §404 permit from the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, a §26a permit from the Tennessee Valley Authority or authorization under a Tennessee NPDES Storm Water Construction Permit where necessary. This permit may also serve as a federal §401 water quality certification (pursuant to 33 U.S.C. §1341) since the planned activity was reviewed and the division has reasonable assurance that the activity will be conducted in a manner that will not violate applicable water quality standards (T.C.A. § 69-3-101 et seq. or of § § 301, 302, 303, 306 or 307 of *The Clean Water Act*).

The state of Tennessee may modify, suspend or revoke this authorization should the state determine that the activity results in more than an insignificant degradation of applicable water quality standards or violation of the TWQCA. Failure to comply with permit terms may result in penalties in accordance with T.C.A. §69-3-115.

Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation
General Aquatic Resource Alteration Permit for
Construction or Removal of Minor Road Crossings



Effective Date: April 7, 2015
Expiration Date: April 6, 2020

Activities Covered by this Permit

This general permit authorizes the construction and/or removal of minor road crossings of streams, via bridge, culvert, pipe, or fords. This permit also authorizes other similar transportation crossings such as railroads and linear crossings of greenway trails.

Certain activities due to size, location or potential water quality impacts are not covered under this general permit, as described in both the Special and General Conditions sections. Activities not qualifying for authorization under this general permit may be authorized by a standard (individual) permit provided that all requirements of the *Tennessee Water Quality Control Act of 1977* (the *Act*) are met.

Special Conditions

1. Road crossings, including transition channels, endwalls, aprons, or rip rap, that either individually or cumulatively exceed a total length of 200 feet of impact in the same Stream Catalog Unit (Waterbody) for the entire project are not covered.
2. Crossings or encapsulations associated with non-linear features such as vehicle maintenance or storage buildings, parking lots, cul-de-sacs and turn-arounds are not covered.
3. All riprap associated with the road crossings shall be placed as to mimic the existing/proposed contours of the stream channel. Riprap shall be countersunk and placed at the grade with the existing stream substrate. Voids within the riprap shall be filled with suitable substrate to prevent streamflow loss within the riprap areas. Over-excavation or grouting for placement of riprap is not covered.
4. Road crossings that may significantly alter the hydraulics of the stream (e.g., under-sizing or over widening the channel) are not covered.
5. The bottom of culverts shall be constructed below the stream bed elevation, in a manner that allows natural substrate to reestablish. All box culverts with more than one barrel shall be constructed in a manner which will concentrate baseflow into one barrel and not result in channel over widening.
6. The crossing shall be culverted, bridged or otherwise designed to prevent the impoundment of normal or base flows on the upstream side, and not result in a disruption or barrier to the movement of fish or other aquatic life on the downstream side. Base flow is the usual or normal flow of the stream that is supplied primarily by groundwater from springs and seeps, but not affected by rapid runoff during and after rainfall.
7. The width of the fill associated with the crossing shall be limited to the minimum necessary for the actual crossing.
8. Where a crossing is removed, natural channel characteristics (dimensions, shape, substrate, etc.) shall be replicated and stabilized using clean rock, riprap, anchored trees or other non-erodible materials found in the natural environment.

General Conditions

1. All activities must be accomplished in conformance with the approved plans, specifications, data and other information submitted in support of the ARAP application (form CN-1091) and the limitations, requirements and conditions set forth herein. Failure to comply with the terms and conditions of this permit is a violation of the Tennessee Water Quality Control Act of 1977 (the Act), and is subject to penalty in accordance with T.C.A. §69-3-115.
2. Activities, either individually or cumulatively, that may result in greater than *de minimis* degradation to waters of the state are not covered. This general permit shall not be used incrementally to combine with other activities resulting in a net loss of water resource values.
3. Clearing, grubbing, and other disturbance to riparian vegetation shall be kept at the minimum necessary for slope construction and equipment operations. Unnecessary riparian vegetation removal, including trees, is prohibited. Native riparian vegetation must be reestablished after work is completed. Non-native, non-invasive annuals may be used as cover crops until native species are established. Coverage under this permit does not serve to waive any local riparian buffer protection requirement, and permittees are responsible for obtaining any necessary local approval.
4. Activities that directly impact wetlands, or impair surface water flow into or out of any wetland areas are not covered.
5. Activities located in a component of the National Wild and Scenic River System or waters designated as Outstanding National Resource Waters are not covered.
6. Activities occurring in known or likely habitat of state or federally listed threatened, endangered, deemed in need of management, or species of special concern may not be authorized without prior coordination with the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency (TWRA) and TDEC Division of Natural Areas (DNA) to determine if any special conditions are required to avoid and/or minimize harm to the listed species or their habitat. Adverse effects to federally listed threatened and endangered species are not permitted without prior authorization from the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) as required by Section 7 or Section 10 under the Endangered Species Act.
7. Work shall not commence until the permittee has obtained all necessary authorizations pursuant to applicable provisions of §10 of The Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899; §404 of The Clean Water Act and §26a of The Tennessee Valley Authority Act, as well as any other federal, state or local laws.
8. Backfill activities must be accomplished in a manner that stabilizes the streambed and banks to prevent erosion. All contours must be returned to pre-project conditions to the extent practicable and the completed activities may not disrupt or impound stream flow.
9. The use of monofilament-type erosion control netting or blanket is prohibited.
10. This permit does not authorize impacts to cultural, historic or archaeological features or sites.
11. This permit does not authorize access to private property. Arrangements concerning the use of private property shall be made with the landowner.
12. Where practicable, all activities shall be accomplished in the dry. All surface water flowing towards this work shall be diverted using cofferdams and/or berms constructed of sandbags, clean rock (containing no fines or soils), steel sheeting, or other non-erodible, non-toxic material. All such diversion materials shall be removed upon completion of the work.
13. All activities must be carried out in such a manner as will prevent violations of water quality criteria as stated in TDEC Rule 0400-40-03. This includes, but is not limited to, the prevention of any discharge or use of materials that may be harmful to humans, terrestrial or aquatic life, or causes a

condition in which visible solids, bottom deposits or turbidity impairs the designated uses of waters of the state.

14. Erosion prevention and sediment control measures must be in place and functional before any earth moving operations begin, and shall be designed according to the department's *Erosion and Sediment Control Handbook* (www.tn.gov/environment/wpc/sed_ero_controlhandbook/). Permanent vegetative stabilization using native species of all disturbed areas in or near the stream channel must be initiated within 15 days of project completion (see also *Landscaping with Natives* at tneppc.org). Non-native, non-invasive annuals may be used as cover crops until native species can be established.
15. The permittee is responsible for obtaining coverage under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) *General Permit for Storm Water Discharges from Construction Activities* where clearing, grading or excavation results in an area of disturbance of one or more acres, or activities that result in the disturbance of less than one acre if it is part of a larger common plan of development or sale.
16. Stream beds shall not be used as linear transportation routes for construction equipment. Temporary stream crossings shall be limited to one point in the construction area and erosion control measures shall be utilized where stream bank vegetation is disturbed. The crossing shall be constructed so that stream or wetland flow is not obstructed. Following construction, all materials used for the temporary crossing shall be removed and disturbed stream banks shall be restored and stabilized if needed.

Obtaining Permit Coverage


Activities where the total length of disturbance along the stream channel needed to construct or remove a road crossing is less than 25 feet may be done without submittal of an application or written authorization from the division prior to the commencement of work, provided the work is performed in accordance with the permit terms and conditions.

Other proposed minor road crossing activities may obtain coverage by submitting a signed and completed application (form CN-1091), along with any other required information, to the division. Work shall not commence until a written Notice of Coverage (NOC) from the division is received. As noted above, not all activities may be eligible for coverage under this general permit and coverage may be denied when appropriate.

Each Notice of Coverage under this general permit is valid until the expiration date specified on the NOC. If the expiration date on an NOC extends beyond the date the General Permit is modified, reissued, or revoked, and the permittee has commenced or is under contract to commence this activity before the expiration date, the permittee may have up to twelve (12) months from the date of the modification, reissuance, or revocation of the General Permit to complete the activity under the present terms and conditions of the general permit.

An application fee as established in Rule 0400-40-11-.02 will be assessed to applicants intending to receive an NOC to conduct activities under this general permit. An annual maintenance fee will be assessed to those individuals holding general permit coverage unless a Notice of Termination (NOT) form is received prior to the one-year anniversary of the issuance date of the NOC, or the NOC was issued for less than a one-year term. An NOT form can be downloaded from the division's ARAP webpage (<http://www.tn.gov/environment/permits/arap.shtml>).

APPROVED: _____


Tisha Calabrese Benton
Director, Division of Water Resources

DATE: 7/22/15