



Under the Aquatic Resource Alteration  
**General Permit for Bank Armoring and Vegetative Stabilization**

Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation  
Division of Water Resources  
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Nashville TN 37243

**ARAP - NR2103.269**

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 Bank Armoring and Vegetative Stabilization* 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 NR2103.269 and the terms and conditions set forth in the above referenced general permit.

**PERMITTEE:** Robert D. Thomason

**AUTHORIZED WORK:** stabilization of 130 feet of stream bank with rip rap

**LOCATION:** 2019 Fall Creek Road, Hamblen County

Latitude: 36.2817      Longitude: -83.2054

**WATERBODY NAME:** Fall Creek

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** 05-NOV-21

**EXPIRATION DATE:** 07-APR-25

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*). When required for a federal action, 401 water quality certifications (WQC) shall become effective when the applicable federal agency has established a reasonable period of time pursuant to 40 CFR § 121.6. For federal agency employees and permit holders, the 401 Water Quality Certification Justifications and Citations related to the procedural requirements of §121.7(d) can be found at <https://www.tn.gov/environment/permit-permits/water-permits1/aquatic-resource-alteration-permit-arap.html>. A paper copy of the certifications and justifications can also be obtained by contacting [water.permits@tn.gov](mailto:water.permits@tn.gov) or calling (615) 532-0359.

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.



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November 5, 2021

Mr. Robert D. Thomason  
145 Warrensburg Road  
Russellville, TN 37860

Subject: **General Permit for Bank Armoring and Vegetative Stabilization  
Aquatic Resource Alteration Permit (ARAP) NR2103.269  
Thomason Farm  
Russellville, Hamblen County, Tennessee**

Dear Mr. Thomason:

We have reviewed your application for the proposed stabilization of 130 feet of stream bank with rip rap. 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).

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 section 401 water quality certification (pursuant to 33 U.S.C. § 1341) and shall become effective when the applicable federal agency has established a reasonable period of time pursuant to 40 CFR §121.6. For federal agency employees and permit holders, the 401 Water Quality Certification Justifications and Citations related to the procedural requirements of §121.7(d) can be found at <https://www.tn.gov/environment/permit-permits/water-permits1/aquatic-resource-alteration-permit--arap-.html>. A paper copy of the certifications and justifications can also be obtained by contacting [water.permits@tn.gov](mailto:water.permits@tn.gov) or calling (615) 532-0359.

This activity is governed by the *General Permit for Bank Armoring and Vegetative Stabilization*. The work must be accomplished in conformance with accepted plans and information submitted in support of application NR2103.269 and the limitations and conditions set forth in the *General Permit for Bank Armoring and Vegetative Stabilization* (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.

Please note that unnecessary vegetation removal is prohibited. Adequate erosion controls must be installed prior to construction and maintained during project construction. 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](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. Leigh Yates at (865) 606-0678 or by e-mail at [Leigh.Yates@tn.gov](mailto:Leigh.Yates@tn.gov).

Sincerely,



Michael Atchley  
Environmental Program Manager

Encl: NOC and copy of general permit

CC: Knoxville EFO Permit File, LTY

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