

Forest Cutting Plan

and Notice of Intent under M.G.L.
Chapter 132 – The Forest Cutting
Practices Act, 304 CMR 11.00
(Effective Date: 3/15/16)

For DCR Use Only:

File Number 20543120.25 Case No. _____
Date Rec'd 12-23-24 Nat. Hert. Yes
Earliest Start 01-09-25 Pub. Dr. Wat. No
River Basin Parker ACEC Yes
Gen. Obj. LT

Site Information

Location

Town Newbury
Road Kents Island Road
Acres 19.7 Proposed Start Date 01/01/2025
Vol. MBF 55 Vol. Cds. 118 Vol. Tons 484

Plan Preparer

Name Jeffery Larkin
Address 1 Rabbit Hill Rd
Town, State, Zip Westborough, MA 01581
Phone (724) 549-2769
Type of Preparer LF
*Mass. Forester License # 478
*Required for land under Ch61, Ch61A or Forest Stewardship

Landowner

Name Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife
Mailing Address 1 Rabbit Hill Road
Town, State, Zip Westborough, MA 01581
Phone (508) 389-6300
Ch61 ☐ 61A ☐ 61B ☐ Stew ☐ *Case #
FSC ☐ CR ☐ CR Holder

Licensed Timber Harvester**

Name TBD
Address _____
Town, State, Zip _____
Phone _____
Mass. Lic. Harvester # _____

**This information may be supplied after the plan is approved, but before work begins.

Best Management Practices

Stream Crossings

Indicate location on map	SC-1	SC-2	SC-3	SC-4
Type of Crossing				
Existing Structure				
Type of Bottom				
Bank Height (ft)				
Stabilization				

Wetland Crossings

Indicate location on map	WC-1	WC-2	WC-3	WC-4
Length of Crossing				
Mitigation				
Stabilization				

Filter Strips

Indicate location on map	FS-1	FS-2	FS-3	FS-4
Width (50', 100', or VA)				

Harvesting in Wetlands

Indicate location on map	HW-1	HW-2	HW-3	HW-4
Forest Type (see pg 2)				
Acres to be Harvested				
Resid. Basal Area (>50%?)				

Service Forester Comments

- Notify Service Forester at beginning of harvest operation
- See attached Natural Heritage letter for additional restrictions

Codes

Type of Preparer	Type of Crossing	Stabilization	Mitigation	Type of Bottom
LF Mass. Lic. For.	CU Culvert	SE Seed	FR Frozen	LE Ledge
TH Lic. Tim. Har	BR Bridge	MU Mulch	DR Dry	ST Stony
TB Timber Buyer	FO Ford	CO Corduroy	OT Other	MU Mud
LO Landowner	PO Poled	ST Stone		GR Gravel
OT Other	OT Other	HB Hay Bales		OT Other
		OT Other		

Note:

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Products to be Harvested*

Species	Mbf/Cds		Mbf/Cds
White Pine	17.5	Red Maple	
Red Pine	14	Sugar Maple	
Pitch Pine		Red Oak	
Hemlock		Black Oak	
Spruce	20	White Oak	
Other Sftwd.		Other Hdwd.	
White Ash		Total Mbf	55
Beech		Cordwood (Cds)	118
White Birch		SW Pulp (Tons)	
B & Y Birch	3	HW Pulp (Tons)	
Black Cherry		Chips (Tons)	484

*Note: Volumes indicated in the Plan are as reported by the plan preparer and have not been independently verified by the service forester upon approval. Mbf = thousand board feet.

Cutting Standards

Indicate location on map	ST-1	ST-2	ST-3	ST-4
Forest Type	OH	RP	WP	
Acres	12.8	5.6	1.25	
Landowner Objective	LT	LT	LT	
Designation of Trees	LT	LT	LT	
Type of Cut	SH	CC	CC	
Source of Regeneration	SE	SE	SE	

Landowner Signature

The most important information on a cutting plan is the Landowner's objective, as this will determine which trees will be harvested and which will remain; **this decision will also determine the future condition of the forest for decades to come.** After having read the Massachusetts Forest Cutting Plan Information Sheet on page one, indicate your objective by checking the appropriate box below.

☒ LT - Long-term Forest Management

Planned management of the forest to achieve one or more of the following objectives: produce immediate and maximize long-term income, enhance wildlife habitat, improve recreational opportunities, protect soil and water quality, or produce forest specialty products.

☐ ST - Short-term Harvest

Harvest of trees with the main intention of producing short-term income with minimal consideration given to improving the future forest condition, which often results in a forest dominated by poor quality and low value species.

I (we) have read the Massachusetts Cutting Plan Information Sheet, and am aware of my (our) management options.

I (we) hereby certify that I (we) have the legal authority to carry out the operation described above.

I (we) certify that I (we) have notified the Conservation Commission in the town in which the operation is to take place and the abutters of record within two hundred feet of the area to be harvested.

I (we) understand that the volumes in this plan have not been independently verified by the service forester upon approval and will report final values and volumes to the Director or his/her agent if the final figures differ from those reported.

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Signature of landowner(s)

Date

Determination and Status 205.43120.25

Approved Disapproved Expires

Cutting Plan



12-23-26

Signature of Service Forester/Director's Agent

Date

Extension



Expires

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Ser. For. Ints.

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Amendment

App 1



Dis 1



App 2



Dis 2



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Final Report and Comments

I hereby certify that the afore described Forest Cutting Plan and all relevant statutes have been substantially complied with.

Signature of Service Forester/Director's Agent

Date

Forest Types					Designation of Trees			Type of Cut			Source of Regeneration		
WP	White Pine	HK	Hemlock	OM	Mixed Oak	CT	Cut Tree	SH	Shelterwood	Intermediate Harvests:		AD	Advanced
WK	WP/Hem	HH	Hem/Hdwd	RM	Red Maple	LT	Leave Tree	ST	Seed Tree	CT	Commercial Thin	SE	Natural Seed
WH	WP/Hdwd	BC	Black Cherry	BE	Beech	SB	Stand Boundary	CC	Clear Cut	NT	Non Com Thin	PL	Plant
WO	WP/Oak	BB	Bee/Bir/Map	SF	Spruce/Fir	OT	Other	SE	Selection	Non-Standard Systems:*		CO	Coppice
RP	Red Pine	OH	Oak/Hdwd	SM	Sugar Maple	Landowner Objective		SA	Salvage	HG	Highgrade*	DS	Direct Seed
SR	Red Spruce	OR	N Red Oak	PP	Pitch Pine	LT	Long-term Mgt.	SN	Sanitation	DL	Diameter Limit*	OT	Other
						ST	Short-term Har.			OT	Other*		

*If Other (OT) or a non-standard system is used an explanation must be given on attached narrative page

Forest Cutting Plan

Narrative Page (Effective Date: 3/15/16)

Use this page to provide further explanation or if Other (OT) was used in any category on pages 3 or 4.

Landowner

Mass Wildlife

Town

Newbury

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BMPs

Designation of Trees

Use this Section to provide further explanation or if Other (OT) was used in any category in the Best Management Practices Section on Page 3.

Use this Section to describe the types of trees to be harvested and/or retained if Other (OT) was used for "Designation of Trees" in the Stand Treatment Section on page 4. Additional narrative description may be added on a separate page.

Stand No.	Describe Trees to be Cut			Describe Trees to be Left			% BA/AC	
	Species	Size	Quality	Species	Size	Quality	Cut	Left

Regeneration & Future Condition

Use this Section to describe how Chapter 132 requirements will be met if a non standard system (HG, DL, or OT) was used for the "Type of Cut" in the Cutting Standards Section on page 4.

Stand No. Source of
Regeneration
(ex. AD, SE)

How will Regeneration be obtained/protected?

If using AD - Describe the species present and how the regeneration will be protected

If using SE - Describe the source of the seed and the number of seed trees/acre

Stand No.

Desired Future Condition

Describe what the stand is expected to look like five years from the harvest, including the condition of the overstory & understory

Stream Crossings

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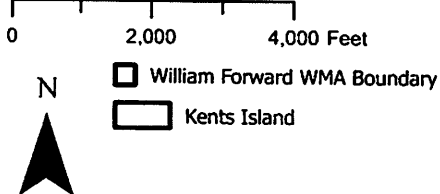
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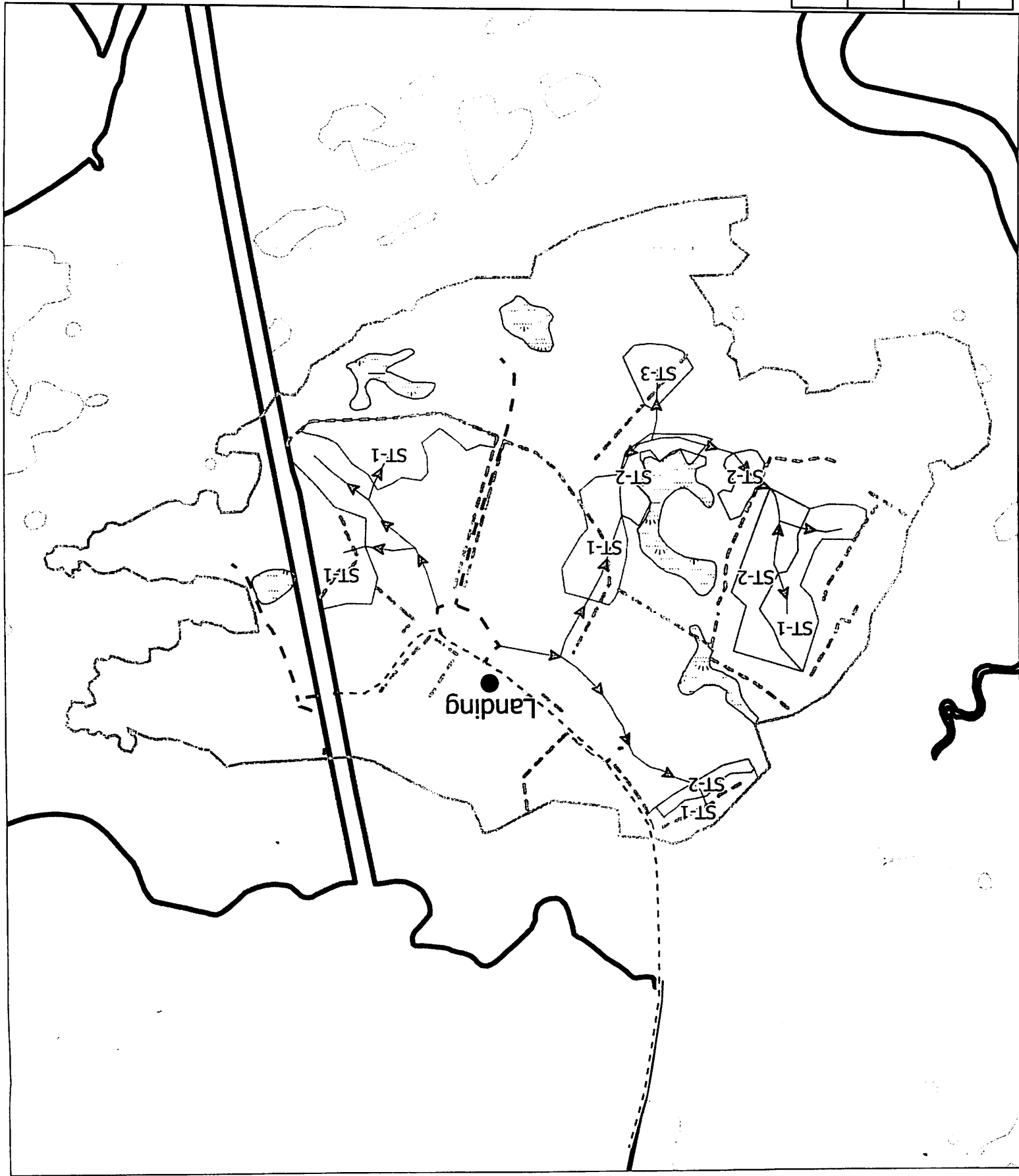
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Kents Island Proposed Forest Management
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Chris Pryor
DCR Service Forestry
District 3

Forest Cutting Plan No.:	205.43120.25
NHESP Tracking No.:	24-19156
Town:	Newbury
Road:	Kents Island Road
Landowner:	MassWildlife (DFW)
Preparer:	Jeffery Larkin (Westborough, MA)
Date:	January 3, 2025

Dear Chris,

The Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program (NHESP) of the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife ("the Division") has reviewed the above-referenced Forest Cutting Plan ("the Plan") pursuant to the special approval procedures of the Forest Cutting Practices Regulations (304 CMR 11.04(6)).

Eastern Whip-poor-wills (*Antrostomus vociferous*) listed as "Special Concern", inhabit the forests and open spaces throughout the William Forward WMA. While timber harvesting has the potential to enhance habitat for the species, there is a threat via direct mortality, to the species during the nesting season. Therefore, the Division recommends harvesting activities be conducted outside the nesting season as much as is practicable. The nesting season begins mid-April and ends in early July.

Based on details of the Plan, and information in the NHESP database, the Division does not expect activities proposed in the Plan to negatively impact Priority Habitat or result in a **Take** (as defined in 321 CMR 10.02) of plant or animal species protected under the Massachusetts Endangered Species Act (MESA) (M.G.L. c. 131A) and its implementing regulations (321 CMR 10.00). Therefore, the Division does not require that the Plan be modified at this time.

Please copy the Division on any proposed amendment, extension, and on the approved Plan for the site. If you have any questions about this letter, please contact Nikolis Gualco, Endangered Species Review Biologist at nikolis.a.gualco@mass.gov OR (508) 389-6375.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jesse Leddick".

Jesse Leddick
Assistant Director

cc: Newbury Conservation Commission

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Department of Conservation and Recreation

Division of State Parks and Recreation

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FOREST CUTTING PLAN CERTIFICATE

Post this in a conspicuous place within the area in which the harvesting operation is to take place.

This certifies that

Mass Wildlife
(Name of Owner)

1 Rabbit Hill Rd.
Westborough
(Address)

in accordance with the

provision of M.G.L. Chapter 132, Section 40-46, filed in

Clinton

with the Dept. of Conservation

and Recreation, Division of State Parks and Recreation, a Notice of Intent to cut forest products upon the

Kents Isl. Rd. lot.

Approval Date

1/6/25

Director's Agent

Chris Pryor

DCR Phone No.

857-327-2360

ISSUED BY:

Priscilla E. Geigis

Priscilla E. Geigis, Director
Division of State Parks and Recreation