
FOREST PRESERVE DETAILED PROJECT WORK PLAN

Fiscal Year 2025
Project # 2025-NV-018

<u>Region</u> 5	<u>Project Title</u> Bellows Lake Trail Improvement Project
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<u>Project Type</u> New Construction	<u>Town(s)</u> Caroga & Bleeker	<u>County</u> Fulton	<u>Management Unit</u> Shaker Mountain Wild Forest
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Description of Existing and Desired Condition(s) for Project

Existing Conditions: Bellows Lake Trail is a 3.4-mile designated and groomed snowmobile trail that is a part of the Corridor 8 connection. The trail goes from Shutts Road to Holmes Road through Shaker Mountain Wild Forest connecting the Caroga Lake and Bleeker snowmobile trail systems. The eastern segment of the trail is used year-round by hikers looking to access Holmes Lake and Little Holmes Lake.

The Bellows Lake Trail follows a former woods road. Over time the drainage features and the built road surface have deteriorated. Features that once facilitated water movement off the former road surface are no longer functional. As a result, several wet spots along the trail have developed. If left unresolved the current trail will continue to erode, causing further natural resource damage even during seasons of good snowpack. Furthermore, snowmobile users will continue to avoid these wet spots by riding into the woods, resulting in trail widening and resource degradation. The objective of this project is to improve eight long-time areas of concern along the trail where sidehill drainages negatively impact the trail. Each of these locations often have standing or flowing water on them that does not hold adequate snowpack and are difficult to navigate by passing snowmobiles and hikers. The need to improve the Bellows Lake Trail is recognized in the 2006 Shaker Mountain Wild Forest Unit Management Plan (SMWF UMP). An excerpt from the Proposed Management Action section of the Holmes Lake Special Management Area Plan (page 268) is attached to this work plan for reference.

Desired Conditions: The desired condition for this project is to provide suitable recreational access along the Bellows Lake Trail with minimal impacts to natural resources. This will be accomplished through targeted improvements meant to facilitate stream crossings and allow unimpeded flow of the natural drainage of the surrounding landscape. This includes the replacement of two substandard trail bridges, the removal of a dilapidated road culvert, installation of three drainage features and the construction of four small bridges over seasonal runoff locations. A detailed description of each project site as well as the intended fixes are listed below. Site locations and project details are described in the following sections of this work plan.

Description of Project Specifications

Site 1: Drainage Feature Installation

This is the site of a seasonal runoff that flows onto the trail. This runoff flows down the trail for approximately 200 feet causing erosion of the trail tread and exposing rocks. This area does not hold snowpack and is difficult to traverse for passing snowmobiles in the Winter months. Trail widening occurs in the warmer months as hikers attempt to avoid the water. See Figure 1 for a photo of the project location.

Installation of a broad-based drainage dip at this location is needed to facilitate water movement off the trail. A broad-based dip is a common drainage feature used along trails with grades less than 10 percent. The broad-based dip will be installed within the existing eight-foot trail corridor and will be up to 25 feet in length. To create the dip tread material will be excavated and used to build up a berm on the down slope side of the trail and graded in such a way to allow water to travel down to the bermed section of the dip before flowing off the trail. The gradual nature of the dip diverts water without discouraging recreational traffic along the trail and prevents clogging from leaf litter.



Figure 1:

Looking downhill at site 1. This is the location of seasonal runoff that enters the trail corridor. The water becomes trapped and flows 200 feet along the trail eroding the surface and exposing rocks. Installation of a broad based dip to allow the water flow across and away from the trail will reduce erosion and provide better recreational access.

Site 2: Drainage Feature Installation

This is the site of seasonal runoff that flows onto the trail for a distance of 30 feet. Water movement at this location has eroded the trail tread, exposing large rocks. This area does not hold adequate snowpack and the presence of the exposed rocks is difficult to navigate. See Figure 2 for a photo of the project location.

A water bar will be installed at this location to divert the seasonal runoff off the trail corridor. If feasible, exposed rocks will be repositioned within the trail surface to help armor the water bar. This action is necessary to direct the natural drainage flow away from the trail, prevent erosion, and improve trail conditions for recreation.



Figure 2:

Site 2 is the location of seasonal runoff that enters the trail corridor. Water pools in this area and flows down the trail for approximately 30 feet. The water flow has eroded the trail surface and exposed large rocks which are difficult to navigate. Installation of a water bar at this location will facilitate flow away from the trail.

Site 3: Bridge Replacement

Currently at this location a 10-foot bridge spans a small intermittent side hill drainage. The bridge is inadequate and obstructs the drainage contributing to the widening of the channel within the trail corridor. In this area water pools, melting the snowpack which makes the crossing difficult to navigate in the Winter and creates deep mud in the warmer months. See Figure 3 for a photo of the project location.

The 10-foot bridge will be deconstructed. Debris in the drainage channel will be cleared to restore the natural flow. This activity will occur within the trail corridor as well as up to 30 feet on either side of the trail. The replacement bridge will be 16 feet in length and eight feet wide with an eight-foot ramp and built higher to allow unimpeded flow. This work is necessary to provide a safe and stable stream crossing while preventing water from pooling on the trail corridor.



Figure 3:

Site 3 is the location of a substandard bridge over a side hill drainage. The bridge is inadequate and obstructs flow contributing to the widening of the stream channel within the trail corridor. The channel will be cleared of debris and the bridge will be replaced with a 16-foot bridge with an eight-foot ramp to allow unimpeded flow and better public access.

Site 4: Bridge Replacement

The current 6-foot bridge at this location spans a small intermittent sidehill drainage. The bridge is inadequate and obstructs the drainage contributing to the widening of the channel within the trail corridor. Water pools in this area melting the snowpack which makes the crossing difficult to navigate. See Figure 4 for a photo of the project location.

The existing bridge will be deconstructed. The drainage channel will be cleared of debris to restore the natural flow. This activity will occur within the trail corridor as well as up to 30 feet on either side of the trail. A replacement bridge will be installed at the location. The bridge will be 16 feet in length and eight feet wide, built higher to allow unimpeded flow. This work is necessary to provide a safe and stable stream crossing while preventing water from pooling on the trail corridor.



Figure 4:

Site 4 is the location of a small six-foot bridge built with a low profile that obstructs the channeled runoff causing water to widen and pool within the trail corridor. The bridge will be replaced and built longer (16-foot) to allow the drainage to flow unimpeded and away from the trail.

Site 5-7: Bridge Installations

Sites, 5, 6, and 7 are all locations where seasonal runoff are present along the Bellows Lake Trail. The condition at each site is similar. The drainages cross the trail directly; however, the water flow melts snowpack and the sites often become open water crossing that can be difficult to navigate.

Bridges 16 feet in length and eight feet in width will be installed at each site to keep all recreational traffic above the streams and out of the water. This work is necessary to provide safe and adequate crossings while protecting the water resource. See Figures 5-7 for photos of the project locations.



Figure 5:

Site 5 is the location of an intermittent side hill drainage that crosses trail. The water flow readily melts snowpack and water pools. The crossing is difficult to navigate. Installation of a small 16-foot bridge will keep all recreational traffic out of the stream and provide better public access.



Figure 6:

Site 6 is the location of a seasonal runoff area along the trail in need of bridging. The seasonal runoff is small, shallow, and rocky. The crossing is passable without bridging, but the banks are eroding, and the area does not hold snowpack. Installation of a small 16-foot bridge will keep all recreational traffic out of the stream while providing better public access.



Figure 7:

Site 7 also experiences seasonal runoff, and is in close proximity to Site 5 and 6. Users routinely place woody debris with the stream to facilitate crossing. Installation of a 16-foot bridge over this site will protect the stream and allow all traffic to stay above and out of the drainage.

Site 8: Water bar and Bridge Installation

This site is the location of a former road culvert that has failed. Drainage coming off the side hill west of the trail at this location reaches the obstructed culvert and is redirected directly down the trail corridor for approximately 100 feet. Snowpack along this stretch of trail readily melts and exposes rocks making the crossing difficult to navigate. See Figure 8 for a photo of the project location.

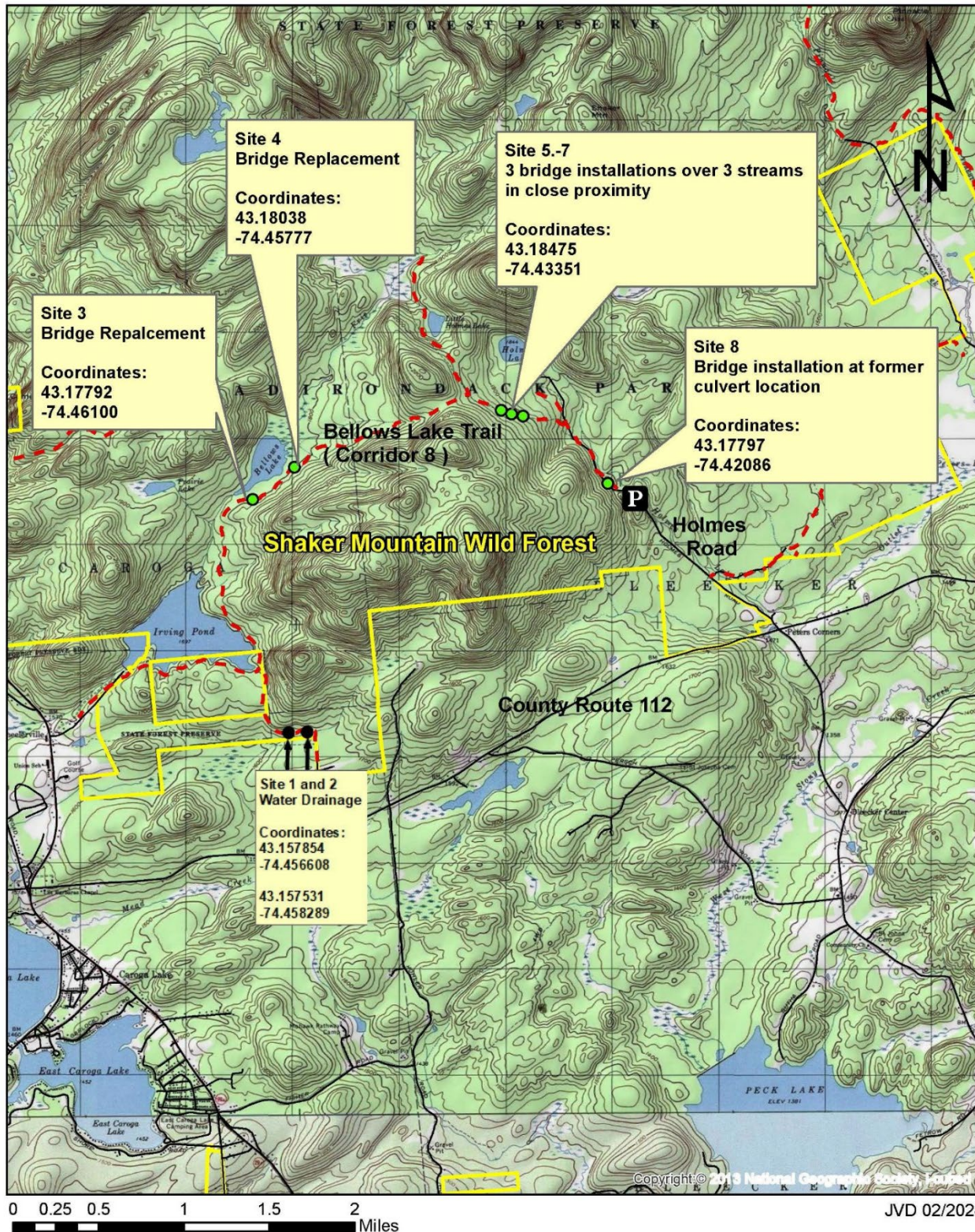
The culvert will be removed from this location and a water bar will be installed to allow the water to cross the trail directly and flow away from the trail. A bridge 16 feet in length and 8 feet in width will be installed over the water bar to allow the drainage to flow unimpeded and keep all snowmobile and foot traffic out of the stream.



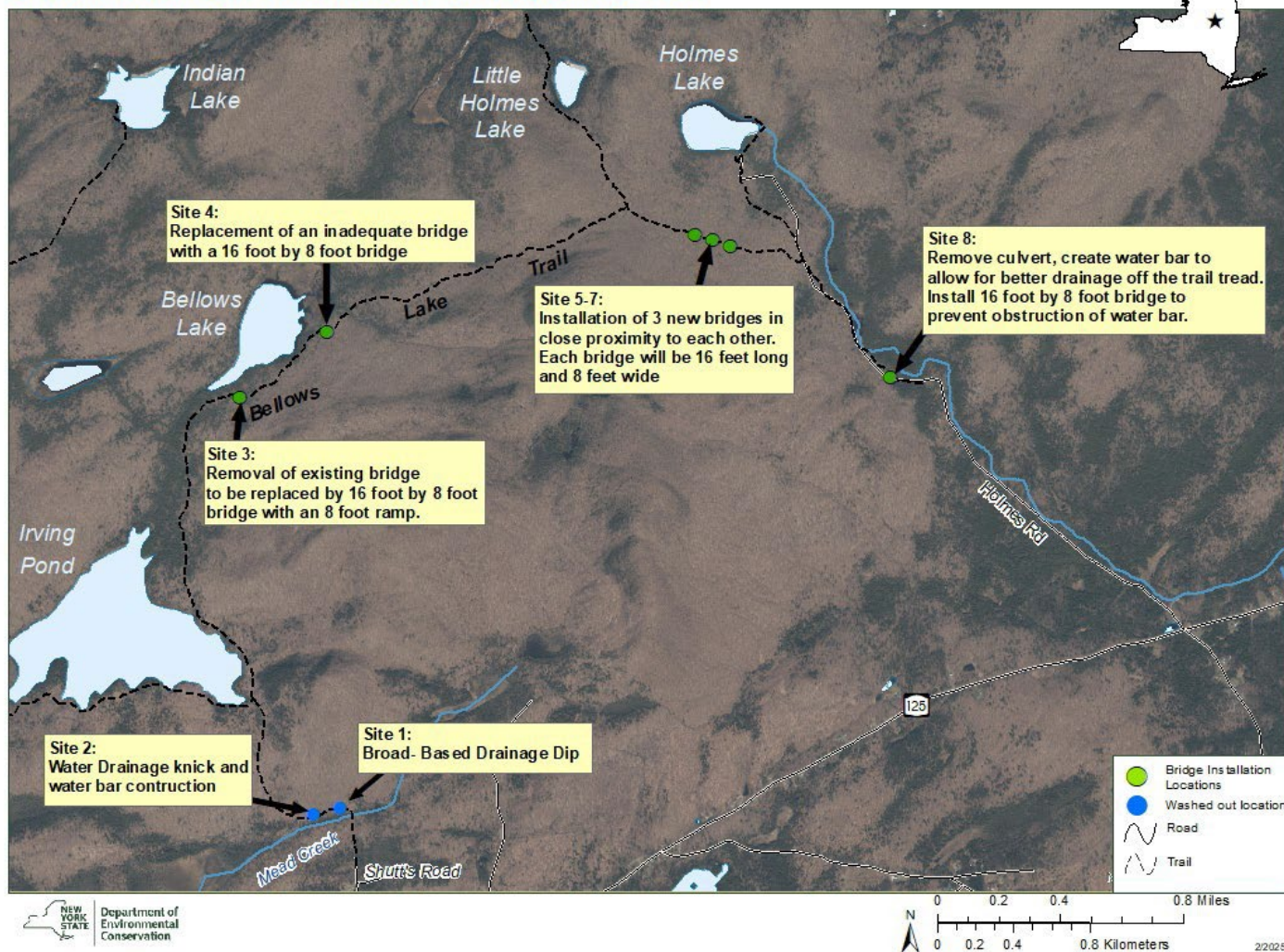
Figure 8:

Site 8 is the location of a former road culvert that has failed. Drainage coming off the side hill west of the site hits the obstructed culvert and is redirected down the trail corridor for 100 plus feet. The culvert will be removed, channel redefined, and a short 16-foot bridge installed over top to allow the drainage to flow unimpeded.

Bellows Lake Trail Water Drainage and Bridging Project Location Map



Shaker Mountain Wild Forest- Bellows Lake Trail



Description of Measures Taken to Avoid, Mitigate and Minimize Impacts to Natural Resources

These improvement projects are designed to mitigate and minimize impacts to natural resources along the trail.

1.) **Trees to be removed:**

There will be no tree cutting associated with this project.

2.) **Earthwork and Disturbance:**

Earthwork will primarily be associated with the drainage feature installations and will consist of excavating and grading the existing trail surface to channelize water off the trail. Exposed rocks impacting the project sites may be removed from the trail corridor or repositioned within it to help armor drainage features. If rock removal/repositioning becomes too impactful or infeasible, excavated material from the drainage feature installations may be used to level out the trail surface to reduce the height of the protruding rocks. Minor earthwork to level sills for bridge installations will occur as needed. All earthwork will be confined to the existing trail corridor and limited to the minimum extent necessary to complete the project.

3.) **Impacts to Streams, Waterbodies, and Wetlands:**

Through State Land Consultation Determination SL2024-0009 Adirondack Park Agency

staff determined that this project does not involve wetlands.

4.) **Identification of Rare, Threatened, or Endangered Species:**

There are no known occurrences of rare, threatened, or endangered species or important or unique natural communities within a quarter of a mile of the project location.

Analysis of Project Location and Design Alternatives

The Bellows Lake Trail is located within a northern hardwood forest. The trail follows a former woods road that was originally constructed generally along the base of side hill terrain.

The desired outcome of this project is to provide a suitable trail connection while facilitating the natural drainage of the surrounding landscape. To achieve these conditions the following actions were considered.

No Action Alternative:

- A no action alternative was considered while in the planning phase of this project. Noticeable impacts like trail erosion, exposed rocks, and open water crossings require action to provide adequate public access and reduce natural resource impacts to streams. No action is not a preferred alternative.

Trail Realignment

- Rerouting the trail corridor around the problem spots was explored at each site location. Moving the trail up slope or down slope of the current trail corridor at each site would still require the crossing of the side hill drainages. A longer reroute to the south of the current trail along the base of Hogsback Mountain was also considered. Both rerouting options would require excessive tree cutting and earthwork to establish a new 8-foot wide trail corridor. Rerouting would require significant impact and is labor intensive. For these reasons this alternative is not preferred.

Water Drainage and Bridge Installation:

- Installation of targeted trail improvements including a broad-based drainage dip, water bars, and small trail bridges at specific project site locations is seen as the most effective and least impactful alternative to achieve the desired condition for the Bellows Lake Trail. This is the preferred option.

Description of Use of Motorized Equipment and/or Motor Vehicles (if any)

A mini excavator and hand tools will be used for drainage feature installations at Sites 1,2 & 8. All three of these sites are located near either end of the Bellows Lake Trail allowing for easy access to the project sites. Use of equipment will occur under suitable ground conditions and will be completed in accordance with CP-17 policy. Chainsaws and power drills will be used in the construction of bridges.

Description of Applicable Standards for Accessibility by People with Disabilities

This project is a modification to a trail that is not currently built to ADA standards. It would be

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structurally impractical to modify the entire trail system. All new structures will be built to provide access for as many abilities as possible. Trails designed and maintained for snowmobiling do not need to typically meet ADA or ABA standards. Adaptive snowmobiling technology is available as a modification for individuals to operate a snowmobiles on DEC's snowmobile trails.

Other Relevant Considerations

This project is intended to be completed during the 2026 field season by DEC staff. Bridge material will be hauled in the winter.

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REGULATORY CLEARANCE CHECKLIST – STATE LANDS and CONSERVATION EASEMENT PROJECTS

PROGRAM	PERMIT	REQUIRED		SECURED BY	COMMENTS
		YES	NO	(NAME)	
Air Resources	Restricted Burning	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Mineral Resources	Mining	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Materials Management	Solid Waste Mgt. Fac.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Water	Dam Safety Review	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	Const. in Flood Hazard	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	Public Water Supply	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	SPDES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Spills Management	Petro. Bulk Storage	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Lands and Forests	Unit Management Plan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	DEC	SMWF UMP (2006)
	Tree Cutting	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	Protected Native Plants	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	Historic Preservation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Fish and Wildlife	Freshwater Wetlands	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	Wild Scenic & Rec. River	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Compliance Services	Other Protection of Waters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	EAF	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	Negative Declaration	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	Env. Impact Statement	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	Water Quality Cert.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
DEC (other)	CP-17	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	DEC	
	Commissioner (aircraft, motorized equipment)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	Flight Request	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	Contract Clearance Sh.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	DOB Exemption	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Other Agencies	APA MOU	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jon DeSantis	APA SL Consultation # 2024-0009
	APA Wetlands Permit	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	Corps. of Engineers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	Building Permits	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	Local Permits	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	Easements	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	Highway Enter DOT	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	Wastewater Disposal	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		





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Shaker Mountain Wild Forest and Northville Boat Launch

Unit Management Plan Environmental Impact Statement

Town of Benson in Hamilton County
Towns of Northampton, Mayfield, Bleeker, and Caroga in Fulton County

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Section VI - Special Area Management Plans

Specific Area Objectives:

- Meet “ADA consent decree” mandates and the Americans with Disabilities Act.
- Improve facilities to better manage the area and mitigate user impacts.

Proposed Management Policies/Actions:

- Install additional rocks near the pipe gate at the Holmes Lake parking area to discourage illegal ATV use around the barrier.
- Rehabilitate Bellows Lake trail - (NYS Corridor 8) - This existing snowmobile trail has occasional trail obstacles such as rocks, side slope, and substandard bridging. Recent illegal ATV activity has created mud holes and some erosional problems on the portions of the trail that have steep grades. Rehabilitation work is a high priority for this corridor trail. In 1997, an estimate was conducted of trees that encroached into the eight foot trail width. The number of trees in the section between Shutts Road and Bellows Lake that were within the allowed eight foot trail width averaged 79 trees per mile. These trees can be a safety hazard and the trail needs to be cleared an eight-foot width to improve visibility and allow for adequate snowmobile passage. To address wet area crossings a number of new small bridges will be needed. Based upon field inspections, a minimum of 13 bridges with a total length of approximately 200 feet will have to be rebuilt to a 8 foot width to meet DEC standards. At least 11 mud spots totaling approximately 300 feet may need bridging, hardening, or relocation. (LF/OP)
- Improve parking area at the end of Holmes Lake road. The existing shoulder parking is considered inadequate for existing and future needs. The four car lot will be expanded to accommodate a total of eight vehicles (including one accessible space). The capacity needs of the parking facility involved a determination of how many vehicles in total would need parking space to access the proposed Department facilities and programs at this location. Since this parking lot will serve both day and overnight use in the area, an expansion was needed in order to accommodate the variety of recreational uses originating from this location. An estimate of four to five vehicle capacity was determined as necessary for the two designated tent sites, proposed lean-to, and other camping opportunities. An estimate of two to three vehicle capacity was determined as necessary for day use related activities such as fishing and hunting. An estimate of one to two vehicle capacity was determined as necessary for use of the other trails in the area. This analysis would indicate that parking capacity needs at this location range from a low of seven to a high of 10 vehicle spaces. The proposed eight vehicle parking facility includes one accessible space that can only be used by individuals with valid parking stickers, thereby reducing the general parking capacity. The size of the parking area and level of potential development was kept at the lower end of public need spectrum. No winter plowing is needed since the town road is not plowed to this location. (LF/OP)
- Install an ADA/ADAAG compliant level-two type “Storey kiosk” at the trailhead parking area. The kiosk will identify specific rules and regulations for CP-3 motorized use of the area along with a map identifying existing trails, allowable recreational activities, and accessible camping opportunities in the area. (LF/OP)

State Land Consultation

File Number:



**Adirondack
Park Agency**

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Governor

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Executive Director

STATE LAND PROJECT CONSULTATION FORM

Completion of this form is required to receive a determination of Adirondack Park State Land Master Plan (APSLMP) and/or Unit Management Plan compliance and wetland jurisdiction for all DEC State land projects from the Agency. A site visit by Agency staff may be required depending on the complexity of the project, the natural resources involved and the level of documentation provided.

Part 1

(To be completed by DEC staff)

A. Project Identification

Project Name:

DEC Contact Person:

Telephone:

Email:

B. Project Location and Other Information

State Land Unit:

Region:

Town:

County:

Is a UMP for this unit completed and approved? Yes No

(If yes, please attach a copy of the cover page and all pages relevant to this project.)

Is the proposal to replace an existing structure? Yes No

If yes:

a) When was the structure constructed?

b) Will the new structure be the same size and located in the same place?

Yes No (Describe in the narrative, section D.)

C. Prior Agency Contact

Has there been prior contact (including any wetland delineation work) with the Agency regarding this project? Yes No

If yes, name of contact person(s) and date(s) (approximate, if not known):

Contact person: Date:

D. Project Description

Provide a brief, narrative description as precisely as possible with any additional location information necessary. Include/attach map(s), photograph(s) and plan(s) whenever possible. (attach another sheet if needed)

The Bellows Lake Trail is a designated snowmobile trail that connects the Caroga Lake area to Bleecker and areas south. The trail is located on a former woods road and is a part of the Corridor 8 connection and is managed to an eight foot width. Six stream crossing locations along the Bellows Lake Trail require bridge work. This work will include the replacement of two existing bridges, the removal of one failed road culvert, and the installation of 4 additional bridges. All six locations are known problem spots along the trail and do not hold adequate snowpack. The streams are unclassified, small in size, and drain the side hills adjacent to the trail corridor. The

If the proposed project is determined to be compliant with the APSLMP but jurisdictional for wetlands, the Agency can determine if the project qualifies for *General Permit 2005G-1R* or if an individual Article 24 Freshwater Wetlands permit will be required. If either of these wetlands permits is applied for, additional information about the project will likely be requested. Agency staff can provide the appropriate permit application form with the return of this completed State Land Consultation Form, if requested.

Submitted by:

Date:

Return this form to the Agency (preferably electronically) for APA staff completion of Part 2.

Part 2

(To be completed by APA staff)

ADIRONDACK PARK STATE LAND MASTER PLAN COMPLIANCE REVIEW

Planning Status (check one)

- A) The project, as planned, is described sufficiently in an approved UMP and does not require additional consultation with APA State land staff before being undertaken.
- B) The project is proposed in insufficient detail in an approved UMP and so does require additional consultation with APA State land staff before being undertaken.
- C) The project is not proposed in an approved UMP and – via this submission - is the subject of consultation with APA State land staff to determine if it may be undertaken, as per Section V of the DEC/APA MOU.

DEC/APA Consultation Guidelines

Planning Status “A” Projects:

- The proposed project has been determined by the APA Board, via approval of a UMP, to conform to APSLMP guidelines and criteria in all respects other than potential wetland impacts.
- IF the result of the “Preliminary APA Wetlands Jurisdiction Assessment” (page 6) is an APA staff conclusion that jurisdictional wetlands:
 - WILL NOT be involved or affected by the proposed project, THEN, the project may be undertaken.
 - MAY BE involved or affected by the proposed project, THEN, the Agency can determine if the project qualifies for *General Permit 2005G-1R* or an individual Article 24 Freshwater Wetlands permit and may request additional information.

Planning Status “B” Projects:

- The proposed project, via review and approval of a UMP, has received conceptual approval by the APA Board but must still be reviewed by APA State land staff in sufficient detail before it may be determined to conform to APSLMP guidelines and criteria in all respects other than potential wetland impacts.
- IF the result of the “Preliminary APA Wetlands Jurisdiction Assessment” (page 6) is an APA staff conclusion that jurisdictional wetlands:
 - WILL NOT be involved or affected by the proposed project, THEN, the project may be undertaken.
 - MAY BE involved or affected by the proposed project, THEN, the Agency can determine if the project qualifies for *General Permit 2005G-1R* or an individual Article 24 Freshwater Wetlands permit and may request additional information.
- IF the result of the “APSLMP Compliance Review” is a conclusion that the proposed project:
 - DOES NOT CONFORM to APSLMP guidelines and criteria regardless of wetland impacts, THEN, the project should not be undertaken by DEC staff.

Planning Status “C” Projects:

- The project has NOT been proposed within a UMP approved by the APA Board, and so it has not been determined to conform to APSLMP guidelines and criteria. It must therefore be determined by APA State land staff to meet the definition of “ordinary maintenance,” “rehabilitation” or “minor relocation” of conforming structures or improvements as per Section V of the DEC/APA MOU if it is to be undertaken without being included in such a UMP.
- IF the result of the determination is that the proposed project:
 - CANNOT BE so defined, THEN, the project should not be undertaken by DEC staff at this time.
 - CAN BE so defined, THEN, the Agency can determine if the project qualifies for *General Permit 2005G-1R* or an individual Article 24 Freshwater Wetlands permit and may request additional information.
- IF the result of the “Preliminary APA Wetlands Jurisdiction Assessment” (page 6) is an APA staff conclusion that jurisdictional wetlands:

- WILL NOT be involved or affected by the proposed project, THEN, the project may be undertaken.
- MAY BE involved or affected by the proposed project, THEN, the Agency can determine if the project qualifies for *General Permit 2005G-1R* or an individual Article 24 Freshwater Wetlands permit and may request additional information.

APA State Land Staff Determination Regarding Consistency with the Adirondack Park State Land Master Plan

Staff have determined the proposed project – in all respects other than potential wetlands impacts – conforms , does not conform , to the guidelines and criteria of the Adirondack Park State Land Master Plan.

/s/ Megan Phillips

6/10/24

Deputy Director, Planning or designee

Date

Rationale for Determination

See attached Rationale for Determination.pdf

PRELIMINARY APA WETLANDS JURISDICTION ASSESSMENT

1) Is the proposed project located in a wetland? Yes No

2) Does the project involve any of the following activities whether or not it is located in a wetland? Yes No

Discharge of liquid wastes into (or so as to drain into) a wetland, including sewage treatment effluent within 100' of a wetland? Yes No

Any other form of pollution of a wetland? Yes No

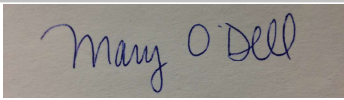
Any activity that may substantially impair the functions served by, or the benefits derived from, wetlands?

Yes

No

APA RASS Staff Preliminary Assessment Regarding Adirondack Park Freshwater Wetlands Jurisdiction

Staff have determined that wetlands subject to the review jurisdiction of the Adirondack Park Agency may , will not be involved or affected by the proposal.



Supervisor, Natural Resource Analysis or designee

5/2/24

Date

Rationale for Determination

Site photos from the file show small streams surrounded by upland hardwoods and a review of aerial photos does not indicate the presence of jurisdictional wetlands.

If the project is determined to be jurisdictional for wetlands, the Agency will determine if the project qualifies for *General Permit 2005G-1R* or an individual Article 24 Freshwater Wetlands permit and may request additional information.

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