## AGENCY OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD & MARKETS Office of the Secretary, Anson B. Tebbetts

PERMIT TO CONDUCT RIGHT-OF-WAY TREATMENT

Permit number: ROW 2018-07 Effective May 15, 2018

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Permittee: Great River Hydro, LLC, 2 Killeen Street North Walpole New Hampshire 03609

## Permit conditions:

- 1. The permittee shall contact the Agency one (1) business day prior to initiating this permit.
- 2. The permittee shall coordinate one (1) use inspection with the Agency.
- 3. This permit authorizes the use of pesticides this year in the Penstock and distribution right-of-ways in the towns of Searsburg, Whitingham, Readsboro. This permit does not allow for treatment to control terrestrial invasive plant species, if not required to meet the safety and public health needs. This permit in no way authorizes the applicant to use pesticides on real estate where it has no lawful right to do so.
- 4. At least one certified applicator shall be a member of each application crew. All label recommendations and requirements for protective clothing shall be adhered to for all applicators.
- 5. Proof of public notification as detailed in the permit application shall be provided to the Agency as proof that the notification occurred (e.g., copies of newspaper tear sheets, invoices).
- 6. All distances described in this permit are horizontal (lateral) measurements.
- 7. Pesticides shall not enter the waters of the State.
  - a. Aquatically-labeled glyphosate products made be up to five (5) feet by from transient standing surface water via cut stump treatment, as measured from water's edge.
  - b. Selective foliar application of glyphosate and metsulfuron methyl shall have a ten (10) foot buffer from transient, standing and flowing surface water application made via backpack application
- 8. No foliar application of pesticides shall take place within one hundred (100) feet of domiciles without notification.
- 9. All-terrain vehicles (ATVs) may be used to apply the herbicides within the right-of-way if easements or other covenants do not prohibit the use of such equipment. ATVs shall be equipped with a spill kit capable of containing 125% of the largest stored pesticide container on the ATV.
- 10. Public and private water supplies are to be avoided.
  - a. Applications shall not be made within 200 feet of a public drinking water source. For sources supplied by surface water the buffer shall be measured from the shoreline. Surface waters in a source protection area that contribute to the source shall have a buffer of 100 feet.
  - b. Applications shall not be made within 100 feet of private drinking water source; as identified by the Vermont ANR Atlas, through well owner notification to the permittee, or identified in the field.
- 11. A copy of this permit and current maps identifying both public and private water supplies shall be provided to the applicator for use during application.
- 12. Spray reports shall be submitted by the pesticide applicator to the Agency of Agriculture on a weekly basis.

Records may be mailed to:

Agrichemical & Plant Industry Division-Vermont Agency of Agriculture 116 State Street, Montpelier, VT 05620

Alternatively, they may be submitted electronically to: Linda.Boccuzzo@vermont.gov

13. The following pesticides may be applied up to the rates listed below and in accordance with the label:

Product	Active ingredient	EPA registration number	Application Rate (per acre)
Rodeo	glyphosate	62719-324	0.1 to 2.0 gallon
Escort XP	metsulfuron methyl	432-1549	0.2 to 2.0 ounce

- 14. In the event the permittee sub-contracts or assigns any of the applications authorized by this permit, the permittee shall continue to remain responsible for the conditions of this permit. This condition does not relieve any sub-contractor or assignee from compliance.
- 15. All operations shall be conducted in accordance with the representations made by the permittee in its application and in these permit conditions unless, and until, the permit is amended.
- 16. The Secretary reserves the right to further limit or restrict the application of pesticides approved under this permit as conditions or circumstances warrant.

This application was reviewed by the Vermont Pesticide Advisory Council and forwarded with recommendation to the Secretary.

Dated May 15, 2018

Anson B. Tebbetts, Secretary

Agency of Agriculture, Food & Markets