

Issue Date _____

Zoning District _____

Date Stamp

Tax Parcel No. _____

Permit Fee _____

Permit No. _____

Expiration Date _____

HONEY BROOK TOWNSHIP ZONING PERMIT APPLICATION

\$25 App. fee _____

Timber Harvesting

Property Owner _____

Forester Name _____

Phone No. _____

Phone No. _____

Address _____

Address _____

Cell No. _____

Acreage of property _____

Estimated Cost _____

Applicant's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Timber Harvesting Plan

In accordance with Section 27-1306.10.B of the Honey Brook Township Zoning Ordinance, the following must be provided as part of a Timber Harvesting Plan. Such Plan shall be consistent with the Timber Harvesting Guidelines of the Pennsylvania Model Forestry Regulations of the Penn State School of Forest Resources. The Plan shall indicate the following:

1. Site location and boundaries of both the entirety of the property upon which the timber harvesting operation shall occur and the specific area proposed for timber harvesting.
2. Significant natural features on the property including steep slopes, wetlands, floodplains, and riparian buffer zones.
3. Identification of the classification of the woodland or woodlands where the timber harvesting operation is proposed to occur, as indicated on the Honey Brook Township Woodland Classification/Priority Map
4. Identification of areas of Forest Interior Habitat where timber harvesting is proposed to occur.
5. Identification of Greenway Corridors where timber harvesting is proposed to occur, as indicated on the Honey Brook Township Greenway Corridors Map.
6. The general location of the proposed operation in relation to municipal and state highways and any proposed accesses to those highways.
7. Design, construction, maintenance, and retirement of the access system, including haul roads, skid roads, skid trails, and landings.
8. Design, construction, and maintenance of water control measures and structures such as culverts, broad-based dips, filters strips, and water bars.
9. Design, construction, and maintenance of proposed stream and wetland crossings.
10. Identification of forest canopy to remain as provided in the following table:

In all woodlands, a minimum percentage of the forest canopy trees shall remain in good condition after the completion of any timber harvesting operation, as set forth in the table below. Remaining forest canopy trees shall be well distributed throughout the area subject to the timber harvesting operation.

Woodland Class	Percentage Forest Canopy Trees to Remain by Location		
	<u>Zone One RCC District</u>	<u>Zone Two RCC District</u>	<u>All Other</u>
Class III	100	60	30
Class II	100	70	40
Class I	100	80	50
Forest Interior Habitat	100	90	60

Maintenance and Timber Harvesting Restrictions

1. This application is submitted a minimum of 45 days prior to commencement of the timber harvesting activity.
2. Any permits required by any other agency (i.e. DEP, CCCD, NRCS, FWS, etc.) under any applicable regulation shall be the responsibility of the landowner or timber harvesting operator as applicable. Copy of all required permits shall be submitted to Honey Brook Township at least 20 days prior to commencement of the timber harvesting activity.
3. The following management practices shall apply to all timber harvesting activities:
 - a. Felling and skidding of trees shall be undertaken in a manner which minimizes damage to trees or other vegetation not intended to be harvested (e.g., successive limbing up the tree rather than felling in its entirety).
 - b. Felling or skidding across any public thoroughfare is prohibited without the express written consent of the Township or PennDOT, whichever is responsible for the maintenance of said thoroughfare.
 - c. No timber loads weighing more than 60,000 pounds shall be permitted on Township roads. The applicant shall review with the Township Director of Public Works the condition of any Township road that will be used to transport log loads or that may otherwise be impacted by the timbering operation.
 - d. Slash, tops or litter resulting from a timber harvesting operation shall either be cut to a height of 3 feet or less and left on-site, or chipped and recycled on-site. The burning of slash shall be prohibited.
 - e. No tops, slash or litter shall be left within 25 feet of any public thoroughfare or private roadway.
 - f. Litter resulting from a timber harvesting operation shall be removed from the site or otherwise dealt with as approved by the Township (e.g. chipped and recycled on-site).
 - g. The operation shall not cause harm to the environment or any other property.
4. No timber harvesting activities shall be permitted within any Zone One Riparian Corridor Conservation District.
5. No clear-cutting of timber shall be permitted within any Zone Two Riparian Corridor Conservation District.
6. As per Table in #10 above, at least 50% of the required remaining forest canopy trees, shall be comprised of Higher Value Species. Where the number of trees comprising Higher Value Species that exist prior to the approval of any timber harvesting operation, is less than the number which would be required to comply with this provision, no Higher Value Species may be harvested.

Higher Value Species are defined as any trees of the following species where greater than or equal to 12 inches dbh:

Tree, Botanical Name	Common Name
Acer saccharium	Sugar Maple
Carya cordiformis	Bitternut Hickory
Carya glabra	Pignut Hickory
Carya ovata	Shagbark Hickory
Carya tomentosa	Mockernut Hickory
Fraxinus americana	White Ash
Juglans nigra	Eastern Black Walnut
Quercus alba	White Oak
Quercus bicolor	Swamp White Oak
Quercus coccinea	Scarlet Oak
Quercus montana	Chestnut Oak
Quercus palustris	Pin Oak
Quercus rubra	Northern Red Oak
Quercus velutina	Black Oak

7. Where a timber harvesting activity is deemed to be in violation of these regulations, each day where any violation occurs shall constitute a separate violation subject to the provisions of the Honey Brook Township Zoning Ordinance.

Fee: \$100.00 + \$50,000 Bond (if required by Township)

-----**TOWNSHIP OFFICE USE ONLY**-----

Total received by: _____ Date: _____ Paid by: _____ Check # _____
 Cash: _____
 Approved: _____ Date: _____
Zoning Officer