



STATE OF MAINE
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY
BOARD OF PESTICIDES CONTROL
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 AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333

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September 4, 2026

American Forest Management, Inc.
 Elizabeth Farrell
 40 Champion Lane
 Milford, ME 04461

**RE: Variance permit for CMR 01-026 Chapter 29, American Forest Management, Inc.,
 Bowmantown and Oxbow Townships**

Greetings,

The Board of Pesticides Control considered your application for a variance from Chapter 29. The variance is approved, provided that all products to be used are currently registered in the State of Maine or were registered at the time of purchase and that any application is made above the high-water line.

The Board authorizes the issuance of up to three-year permits for Chapter 29; therefore, this permit is valid until December 31, 2028, provided that the applications are consistent with the information provided in the variance request. Please notify the Board in advance of changes, particularly if you plan to use a different product from those listed.

Please bear in mind that your permit is based upon your company adhering to the precautions listed in Section X of your Chapter 29 variance request.

I will alert the Board at its next meeting that the variance permit has been issued. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me at (207) 287-2731.

Sincerely,

Alexander Peacock
 Director

ALEXANDER PEACOCK, DIRECTOR
 90 BLOSSOM LANE, DEERING BUILDING



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BOARD OF PESTICIDES CONTROL
APPLICATION FOR VARIANCE PERMIT
(Pursuant to Chapter 29, Section 6 of the Board's Regulations)

- I. **Elizabeth Farrell** (207) **491-3917**
Name Telephone Number
- American Forest Management**
Company Name
- 40 Champion Lane** **Milford** **ME** **04461**
Address City State Zip
- II. **Bob Carlton** **CMA-5653**
Master Applicator (if applicable) License Number
- 45 Ramsdell Road** **Kingfield** **ME** **04947**
Address City State Zip
- III. **As part of your application, please send a revegetation plan and digital photos showing the target site and/or plants and the surrounding area, particularly showing proximity to wetlands and water bodies, to pesticides@maine.gov**
Revegetation plan is described below; pictures are attached.
- IV. Area(s) where pesticide will be applied:
- This variance request is to spray over standing ditch water (saturated soil) in Bowmantown and Oxbow Townships within 50 feet of an established road. This variance request does **NOT** include any of the following: flowing water, wetlands, vernal pools, < 25' of the highwater mark of a PSL-1, PSL-2, Great Pond, other regulated shoreland zone, or any pool of water with an outlet.
- V. Pesticide(s) to be applied: (Including EPA Registration Number)
Round Up Power Max 3 EPA #524-659
Exalt HSO _____
- VI. Purpose of pesticide application:
The objective of this variance is to allow township-level management of phragmites without overwhelming the BPC with variance requests. Bowmantown & Oxbow are composed of rich, mesic soils which frequently result in small, year-round pools of standing water in roadside ditches with no inlet or outlet. The applicator will evaluate every instance of standing water to determine if it falls within the purview of this variance.

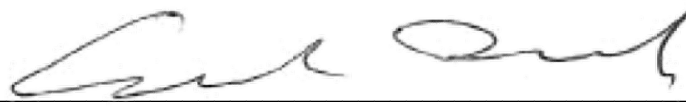
VII. Approximate dates of spray application:
August – October 2026, follow up in fall 2027 and fall 2028 if necessary.

VIII. Application Equipment:
Low-volume backpack.

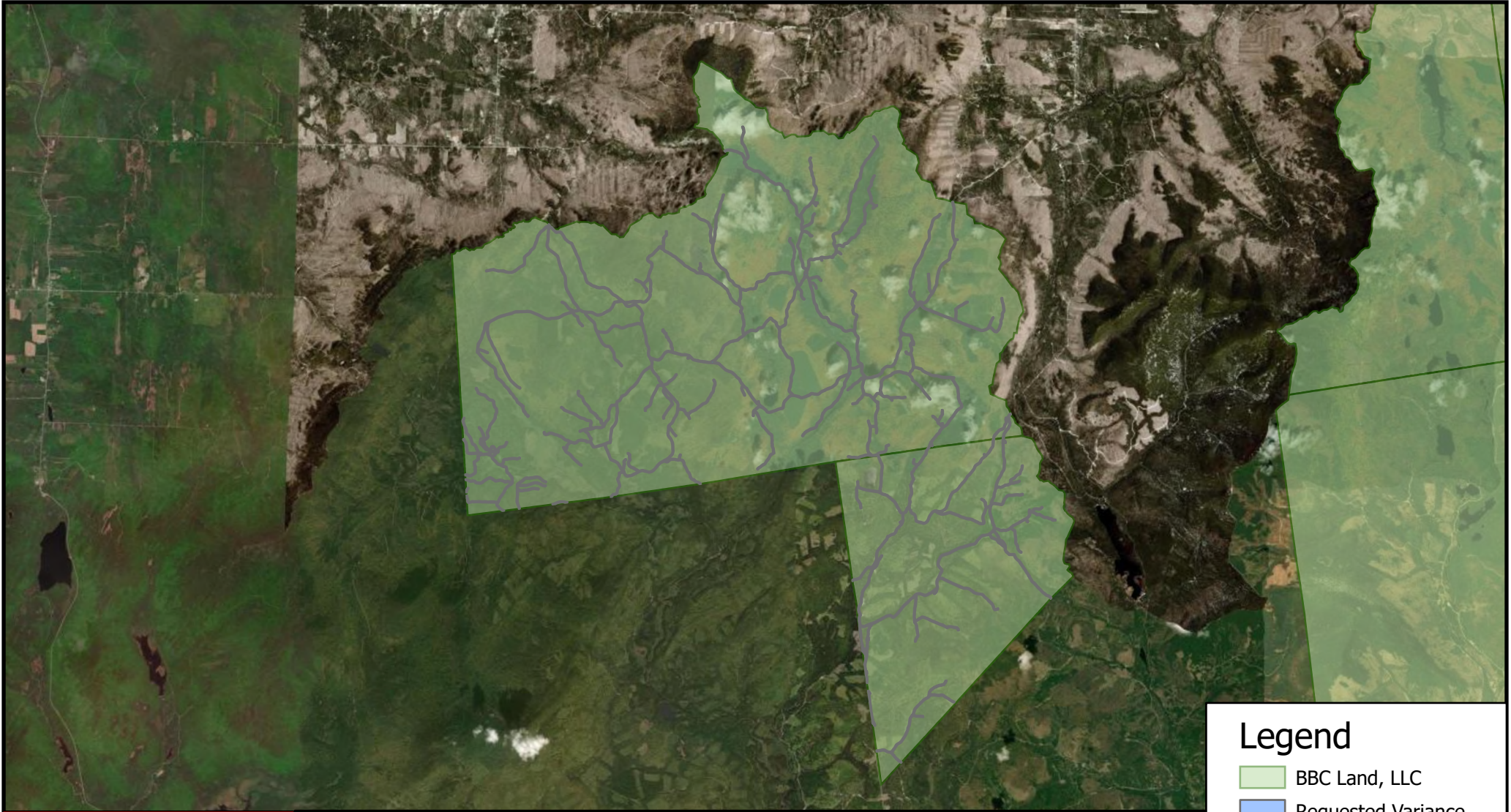
IX. Standard(s) to be varied from:
Chapter 29, Section 6 - Buffer Requirement

X. Method to ensure equivalent protection and Revegetation Plan:
If the herbicide application results in a lack of vegetation, conservation mix will be applied to the area.

XI. Revegetation Plan (attach separately if necessary)
If herbicide application results in a lack of vegetation, conservation mix will be applied to the area. Follow-up checks for herbicide efficacy and revegetation will occur annually for three years. The slope in this area is minimal, with no connectivity to streams or water bodies. Erosion potential is very low.

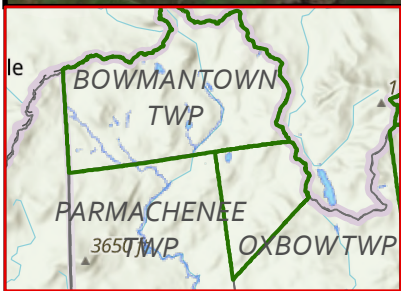
Signed:  Date: 9/1/2026

Return completed form to: **Board of Pesticides Control, 28 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333-0028**
OR E-mail to: pesticides@maine.gov



Legend

-  BBC Land, LLC
-  Requested Variance



Pesticide Variance Request

Bowmantown - Oxbow Phragmites



0 7,000 14,000 Feet



Coordinate System: NAD 1983 UTM Zone 19N