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BOARD OF PESTICIDES CONTROL  
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AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333

AMANDA E. BEAL  
COMMISSIONER

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., Double Gate Rd. Oxbow Township**

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](mailto:pesticides@maine.gov)**  
Revegetation plan is described below; pictures are attached.
- IV. Area(s) where pesticide will be applied:
- See attached map – herbicide will be applied within the hashed area only. This is a roadside ditch of a historic winter road. The phragmites have taken hold in a ditch with poorly drained soils and a high water table year-round. The site was reviewed in August 2025 & August 2026 in an attempt to identify a time of year when standing water was not present. The time of year does not appear to affect the amount of water on site. There is no surface connectivity to streams or wetlands. The site is best described as a cedar/mixed conifer seep. The closest stream is 1000 feet away.
- V. Pesticide(s) to be applied: (Including EPA Registration Number)  
**AquaMaster EPA #524-343**  
Methylated Seed Oil Surfactant\_\_\_\_\_
- VI. Purpose of pesticide application:  
**Eliminate invasive phragmites from the road ditch before it spreads.**  
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VII. Approximate dates of spray application:  
August - October 2026, follow up in fall 2027 and fall 2028 if necessary.

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VIII. Application Equipment:  
Low-volume backpack.

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IX. Standard(s) to be varied from:  
Chapter 29, Section 6 - Buffer Requirement, Section 5 (wetlands)

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X. Method to ensure equivalent protection and Revegetation Plan:  
The site is a 0.4-acre cedar/mixed conifer site with extensive woody regeneration. If the herbicide application results in a lack of vegetation, conservation mix will be applied to the area.

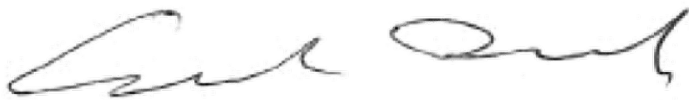
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XI. Revegetation Plan (attach separately if necessary)  
If herbicide application results in a lack of vegetation, conservation mix will be applied to the area. Follow-up checks for herbicide efficacy and revegetation will occur annually for three 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](mailto:pesticides@maine.gov)



## Pesticide Treatment Plan - Soils

### Oxbow Phragmites



0 30 60 Feet



Coordinate System: NAD 1983 UTM Zone 19N

- Legend**
- Proposed Treatment Areas**
- Status**
- Monitor: Pre Treatment
  - Complete
  - Monitor: Post Treatment
  - Proposed
- Soil Drainage Class**
- EXCESSIVELY DRAINED
  - SOMEWHAT EXCESSIVELY DRAINED
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# Pesticide Treatment Plan - Water Oxbow Phragmites



0 130 260 Feet



Coordinate System: NAD 1983 UTM Zone 19N

## Legend

### Proposed Treatment Areas

#### Status

- Monitor: Pre Treatment
- Complete
- Monitor: Post Treatment
- Proposed

#### Soil Drainage Class

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