

## **Application for Mowing and Vegetation Removal**

## 1. Mowing

- Mowing to a height of not less than 2" in an area not exceeding 50% of the frontage, or 100', whichever is less, is not regulated by the DEQ.
- Mowing of vegetation over this amount requires a DEQ permit with a \$50 application fee.
- Mowing of vegetation is not regulated by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE).
- Mowing of vegetation does not authorize the destruction of state or federal threatened or endangered species.
- Mowing of vegetation in an Environmental Area requires an additional fee and review.
- Mowing of vegetation in a Critical Dune area requires an additional fee and review.

## 2. Vegetation Removal in Grand Traverse Bay or Saginaw Bay

- Requires a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Individual Permit. (Use Joint Application Form EQP 2731.)
- Requires a DEQ letter of approval.
- Vegetation removal does not authorize the destruction of state or federal threatened or endangered species.
- Vegetation removal in an Environmental Area requires an additional fee and review.
- Mowing of vegetation in a Critical Dune area requires an additional fee and review.

## 3. Vegetation Removal in All Areas of the Great Lakes

- Requires a USACE Individual Permit. (Use Joint Application Form EQP 2731.)
- Requires a DEQ Permit.
- Fees: For areas up to 100' wide, or the width of the property, whichever is less, \$50. For larger areas, \$500.
- Applies to Grand Traverse Bay and to Saginaw Bay if the criteria for a letter of approval are not met.

4. **Project Location Information** (Enclose a vicinity map showing where the mowing and/or removal of vegetation is proposed with an arrow showing where the shore work is proposed. See Instructions, #6 below.)

Address	City/Village	County(ies)	Subdivision/Plot	Lot Number					
Township Name	Town	Range	Section Number(s)	Property Tax Identification Number					
5. Applicant, Agent/Contractor, and Property Owner Information  The applicant can be either the property owner or the person or company that proposes to undertake the activity.  Applicant or Agent/Contractor									
(Individual or corporate name)									
Mailing Address									
City		State	Zip Code						
Daytime Telephone Num	ber (Include Area Code)		Fax (Include Area Code)	E-mail Address					
	ddresses, and telephone num	nultiple owners, please attach all property pers and a signed authorization from each	Mailing Address						
Daytime Telephone Num	ber (Include Area Code)		City	State Zip Code					

**6. Instructions:** Submit a copy of this application to the DEQ. The application package should include the signed application form, a vicinity map, and a plan (overhead) view. Show dimensions of your project (length, width). When applying to the USACE, use Joint Application Form EQP 2731.

**USACE: FOR SAGINAW BAY CONTACT:** Bay City Field Office Attn: Regulatory Office, 1501 N. Henry, Room 126, Bay City, MI 48706

Telephone: (989) 684-5781, Fax: (989) 684-5821 **USACE: FOR GRAND TRAVERSE BAY CONTACT:** 

Grand Haven Field Office, Attn: Regulatory Office, P.O. Box 629 Grand Haven, MI 49417, Telephone: (616) 842-5510, Fax: (616) 842-6141

**USACE: FOR ALL OTHER AREAS CONTACT:** 

USACE, Detroit District Office, P.O. Box 1027, Detroit MI 48231-1027 Telephone: (313) 226-6827, Fax: (313) 226-6763

DEQ: FOR SAGINAW BAY CONTACT:

Saginaw Bay District Office, 503 N. Euclid Avenue, Bay City, MI 48706 2965 Telephone: 989-686-8025, Fax: (989) 684-9799 or (989) 686-0727

DEQ: FOR GRAND TRAVERSE BAY CONTACT:

Cadillac District Office, 120 W. Chapin Street, Cadillac, MI 49601 Telephone: 231-775-3960, Fax: (231) 775-4050 or (231) 775-1511

DEQ: FOR ALL OTHER AREAS CONTACT:

Permit Consolidation Unit, P.O. Box 30204, Lansing, MI 48909-7704

Telephone: 517-241-1515., Fax: (517) 241-9003

7. **Locating Your Project Site.** Attach a copy of a map, such as a plat, county, or U.S. Geological Survey topographic map, clearly showing the site location and include an arrow indicating the north direction. Provide directions to the project site, with distances from the best and nearest visible landmark and waterbody.

APPLICANT'S CERTIFICATION - READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING I am applying for a permit(s) to authorize the activities described herein. I certify that I am familiar with the information contained in this application and that it is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that there are penalties for submitting false information and that any permit issued pursuant to this application may be revoked if information on this application is untrue. I certify that I have the authority to undertake the activities proposed in this application. By signing this application, I agree to allow representatives of the DEQ and/or their agents or contractors to enter upon said property in order to inspect the proposed activity site and the completed project. I understand that I must obtain all other necessary local, county, state, or federal agencies does not release me from the requirements of obtaining the permit requested herein before commencing the activity.

€ Property Owner	€Agent/ Contractor	<b>€</b> Corporation	(Circle one)	
Title:	Printed Name		Signature	Date

**DRAWINGS:** The application should include a vicinity map to help the DEQ staff locate the property, a plan (overhead) view of the project area, and a cross-section (profile) view of the project. The drawings should show the length, width, and depth measurements for the property and the project area. Measurements should be taken from permanent upland landmarks (e.g., house, seawall) rather than from the shoreline. Volumes of fill material or material to be excavated should be estimated in cubic yards (length x width x depth, 27 cubic feet = 1 cubic yard). Here are some sample drawings for mowing or grooming and sand leveling projects.



