



**INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING AN INDIVIDUAL PERMIT APPLICATION
PRIVATE RECREATIONAL DOCK PERMIT APPLICATION TO THE
GADNR COASTAL RESOURCES DIVISION AND US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS**

Use the checklist below to ensure you have submitted all the required documents to complete your application. You may be requested to provide additional information, such as a survey or scaled drawings, to complete your application. Your Permit Coordinator will inform you if additional information is required.

Dock Permit Applicant Checklist:

_____ **Joint Application (4 pages)** - This application is intended for private, single-family or multi-family recreational docks in Chatham, Bryan, Liberty, McIntosh, Glynn, Camden, Long, Effingham, Wayne, Brantley, and Charlton Counties. All owners listed on the deed of the property must sign the application.

_____ **Revocable License (RL) Request (1 page)** - All owners listed on the deed of the property must sign the RL. Please ensure that all of the requested information at the top of the sheet is provided.

_____ **Federal Consistency Certification Statement (1 page)** - All owners listed on the deed of the property must sign this statement and provide a copy of the permit application submitted to the US Army Corps of Engineers.

_____ **Adjacent Owner Notification Sheets - (1 page for each adjacent owner)**

a) Applicant can submit sheets **signed by both** upstream and downstream property owners.

OR-

b) Applicant can submit **Certified Mail** (date stamped) receipts which were addressed to upstream and downstream property owners.

_____ **Copy of the Deed and Plat of the subject parcel** - the applicant must be the current owner.

_____ **Drawing of the Proposed Dock** - At least one **clean, legible drawing** on an 8"x 11" sheet to include:

a) Dimensions for each component, i.e. Fixed deck, float, ramp, hoist, walkway, etc. If permit is being modified and components are being added, please indicate on the

- drawing which components exist and which components are proposed. The drawing must indicate the exact configuration of the structure components.
- b) Waterway width at Mean Low Water (MLW) and Mean High Water (MHW). Indicate grass to grass measurement if channel is dry or mostly dry at MLW.
 - c) Extent of dock past MLW line.
 - d) Distance from each side of dock to extended property lines.
 - e) Any specific characteristic of the site should be identified with the proposed structure in place, i.e. a bend in the channel, a tidal creek or slough in proximity of the proposed structure, dock corridors that have been recognized by the Department.
 - f) When using previously submitted drawings or drawings from other sources, please ensure that all information matches the request.

Note: Professional drawings may be required depending on the proposed structure.

All documents must be submitted to the Permit Coordinator before your application can proceed through the process. The application will be put on hold if all the required documents have not been submitted. Any applications put on hold due to missing documents will be considered withdrawn after 90 days after the initial submittal unless other arrangements have been made with your Permit Coordinator. At least 10 days prior to beginning construction, you must complete a Private Dock Construction Notification Form and submit it to your Permit Coordinator.

Mail all application materials to the following:

**Dock Permit Coordinator
Georgia Department of Natural Resources
Coastal Resources Division
One Conservation Way
Brunswick, GA 31520**

AND

**US Army Corps of Engineers
Savannah District
Regulatory Division, Coastal Branch
CESAS-RD-C@usace.army.mil**

For general questions about dock permits, the status of a pending application, see our web page at <http://www.coastalgadnr.org/> or call (912)264-7218 to speak with the Permit Coordinator for your county.

JOINT APPLICATION
 FOR
 A DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY, CORPS OF ENGINEERS PERMIT,
 STATE OF GEORGIA MARSHLAND PROTECTION PERMIT,
 REVOCABLE LICENSE AGREEMENT
 AND REQUEST FOR
 WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION
 AS APPLICABLE

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMITTING APPLICATION:

Every Applicant is Responsible to Complete The Permit Application and Submit as Follows: One copy each of application, location map, drawings, copy of deed and any other supporting information to addresses 1, 2, and 3 below. If water quality certification is required, send only application, location map and drawing to address No. 4.

1. For Department of the Army Permit, mail to: Commander, Savannah District, US Army Corps of Engineers, ATTN: CESAS-RD, 100 W. Oglethorpe Avenue, Savannah, Georgia 31401-3640. Phone (912) 652-5347 and/or toll free, Nationwide 1-800-448-2402.

2. For State Permit - State of Georgia (six coastal counties only) mail to: Habitat Management Program, Coastal Resources Division, Georgia Department of Natural Resources, 1 Conservation Way, Brunswick, Georgia 31523. Phone (912) 264-7218.

3. For Revocable License - State of Georgia (six coastal counties plus Effingham, Long, Wayne, Brantley and Charlton counties only) - Request must have State of Georgia's assent or a waiver authorizing the use of State owned lands. All applications for dock permits in the coastal counties or for docks located in tidally influenced waters in the counties listed above need to be submitted to Real Estate Unit. In addition to instructions above, you must send two signed form letters regarding revocable license agreement to: Ecological Services Coastal Resources Division, Georgia Department of Natural Resources, 1 Conservation Way, Brunswick, Georgia 31523. Phone (912) 264-7218.

4. For Water Quality Certification State of Georgia, mail to: Water Protection Branch, Environmental Protection Division, Georgia Department of Natural Resources, 4220 International Parkway, Suite 101, Atlanta, Georgia 30354 (404) 675-1631.

The application must be signed by the person authorized to undertake the proposed activity. The applicant must be the owner of the property or be the lessee or have the authority to perform the activity requested. Evidence of the above may be furnished by copy of the deed or other instrument as may be appropriate. The application may be signed by a duly authorized agent if accompanied by a statement from the applicant designating the agent. See item 6, page 2.

1. Application No. _____
2. Date _____
3. For Official Use Only _____
4. Name and address of applicant.
5. Location where the proposed activity exists or will occur.

Lat. _____ Long. _____

County	Military District	In City or Town
Near City or Town	Subdivision	Lot No.
Lot Size	Approximate Elevation of Lo	State
Name of Waterway	Name of Nearest Creek, River, Sound, Bay or Hammock	

6. Name, address and title of applicant's authorized agent for permit application coordination.

Statement of Authorization: I hereby designate and authorize the above named person to act in my behalf as my agent in the processing of this permit application and to furnish, upon request, supplemental information in support of this application.

Signature of Applicant

Date

7. Describe the proposed activity, its purpose and intended use, including a description of the type of structures, if any to be erected on fills, piles, of float-supported platforms, and the type, composition and quantity of materials to be discharged or dumped and means of conveyance. If more space is needed, use remarks section on page 4 or add a supplemental sheet. (See Part III of the Guide for additional information required for certain activities.)

8. Proposed use: Private ____ Public ____ Commercial ____ Other ____ (Explain)

9. Names and addresses of adjoining property owners whose property also adjoins the waterway.

10. Date activity is proposed to commence. _____

Date activity is expected to be completed. _____

11. Is any portion of the activity for which authorization is sought now complete __Y __N

- a. If answer is "Yes", give reasons in the remarks in the remarks section. Indicate the existing work on the drawings.
- b. If the fill or work is existing, indicate date of commencement and completion.
- c. If not completed, indicate percentage completed.

12. List of approvals or certifications required by other Federal, State or local agencies for any structures, construction discharges, deposits or other activities described in this application. Please show zoning approval or status of zoning for this project.

<u>Issuing Agency</u>	<u>Type Approval</u>	<u>Identification No.</u>	<u>Date/Application</u>	<u>Date/Approval</u>
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13. Has any agency denied approval for the activity described herein or for any activity directly related to the activity described herein?
___Yes ___NO (If "yes", explain).

Note: Items 14 and 15 are to be completed if you want to bulkhead, dredge or fill.

14. Description of operation: (If feasible, this information should be shown on the drawing).

a. Purpose of excavation or fill _____.

1. Access channel length_____ depth_____ width_____

2. Boat basin length_____ depth_____ width_____

3. Fill area length_____ depth_____ width_____

4. Other _____ length_____ depth_____ width_____

(Note: If channel, give reasons for need of dimensions listed above.)

b. If bulkhead, give dimensions _____

-- Type of bulkhead construction (material)_____

1. Backfill required: Yes _____ No _____ Cubic yards _____

2. Where obtained _____

c. Excavated material

1. Cubic yards _____

2. Type of material _____

15. Type of construction equipment to be used _____

a. Does the area to be excavated include any wetland? Yes___ No___

b. Does the disposal area contain any wetland? Yes___ No___

c. Location of disposal area_____

d. Maintenance dredging, estimated amounts, frequency, and disposal sites to be utilized:_____

e. Will dredged material be entrapped or encased? _____

f. Will wetlands be crossed in transporting equipment to project site?_____

g. Present rate of shoreline erosion (if known) _____

16. Description of Avoidance, Minimization and Compensation: Provide a brief explanation describing how impacts to waters of the United States are being avoided and minimized on the project site. Also, provide a brief description of how impacts to waters of the United States will be compensated for, or a brief statement explaining why compensatory mitigation should not be required for those impacts.

17. Water Quality Certification: In some cases, Federal law requires that a Water Quality Certification from the State of Georgia be obtained prior to issuance of a Federal license or permit. Applicability of this requirement to any specific project is determined by the permitting Federal agency. The information requested below is generally sufficient for the Georgia Environmental Protection Division to issue such a certification if required. Any item, which is not applicable to a specific project, should be so marked. Additional information will be requested if needed.

a. Please submit the following:

1. A plan showing the location and size of any facility, existing or proposed, for handling any sanitary or industrial waste waters generally on your property.

2. A plan of the existing or proposed project and your adjacent property for which permits are being requested.

3. A plan showing the location of all points where petro-chemical products (gasoline, oils, cleaners) used and stored. Any aboveground storage areas must be diked, and there should be no storm drain catch basins within the dike areas. All valving arrangements on any petro-chemical transfer lines should be shown.

4. A contingency plan delineating action to be taken by you in the event of spillage of petro-chemical products or other materials from your operation.

5. Plan and profile drawings showing limits of areas to be dredged, areas to be used for placement of spoil, locations of any dikes to be constructed showing locations of any weir(s), and typical cross sections of the dikes.

b. Please provide the following statements:

1. A statement that all activities will be performed in a manner to minimize turbidity in the stream.

2. A statement that there will be no oils or other pollutants released from the proposed activities which will reach the stream.

3. A statement that all work performed during construction will be done in a manner to prevent interference with any legitimate water uses.

18. Application is hereby made for a permit or permits to authorize the activities described herein; Water Quality Certification from the Georgia Environmental Protection Division is also requested if needed. I certify that I am familiar with the information contained in this application, and that to the best of my knowledge and belief such information is true, complete and accurate. I further certify that I possess the authority to undertake the proposed activities.

Signature of Applicant

19. U.S.C. Section 1001 provides that: Whoever, in any matter within the jurisdiction of any department or agency of the United States, knowingly and willfully falsifies, conceals, or covers up by any trick, scheme, or device a material fact or makes any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or representations, or makes or uses false writing or document knowing same to contain any false, fictitious or fraudulent statement or entry, shall be fined no more than \$10,000 or imprisoned not more than 5 years or both.

PRIVACY ACT NOTICE

The Department of the Army permit program is authorized by Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899, Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and Section 103 of the Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act of 1972. These laws require permits authorizing structures and work in or affecting navigable waters of the United States, the discharge of dredged or fills material into waters of the United States, and the transportation of dredged material for the purpose of dumping it into ocean waters. Information provided will be used in evaluating the application for a permit. Information in the application is made a matter of public record through issuance of a public notice. Disclosure of the information requested is voluntary; however, the data requested are necessary in order to communicate with the applicant and to evaluate the permit application. If necessary information is not provided, the permit application cannot be processed nor can a permit be issued.

SUPPORTING REMARKS:

STATE OF GEORGIA

REQUEST FOR A REVOCABLE LICENSE FOR THE USE OF TIDAL WATERBOTTOMS

APPLICANT NAME(S): _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

PROJECT ADDRESS/LOCATION: _____

COUNTY: _____ WATERWAY: _____

LOT, BLOCK & SUBDIVISION NAME FROM DEED: _____

Georgia Department of Natural Resources
Coastal Resources Division
One Conservation Way
Brunswick, Georgia 31520-8687

I am requesting that I be granted a revocable license from the State of Georgia to encroach on the beds of tidewaters, which are state owned property. Attached hereto and made a part of this request is a copy of the plans and description of the project that will be the subject of such a license. I certify that all information submitted is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and understand that willful misrepresentation or falsification is punishable by law.

I understand that if permission from the State is granted, it will be a revocable license and will not constitute a license coupled with an interest. I acknowledge that this revocable license does not resolve any actual or potential disputes regarding the ownership of, or rights in, or over the property upon which the subject project is proposed, and shall not be construed as recognizing or denying any such rights or interests. I acknowledge that such a license would relate only to the property interests of the State and would not obviate the necessity of obtaining any other State license, permit, or authorization required by State law. I recognize that I waive my right of expectation of privacy and I do not have the permission of the State of Georgia to proceed with such project until the Commissioner of DNR or his/her designee has executed a revocable license in accordance with this request.

Sincerely,

By: _____
Signature of Applicant

Date: _____

Title, if applicable

By: _____
Signature of Applicant

Date: _____

Title, if applicable

Attachments

FEDERAL CONSISTENCY CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

Printed Name of Applicant(s): _____

Applicant Email: _____ Phone: _____

Agent Name (if applicable): _____ Phone: _____

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to certify that I have made application to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) for authorization to impact Waters of the United States and that such proposed work is, to the best of my knowledge, consistent with Georgia's Coastal Management Program.

I understand I must provide this Consistency Certification Statement, along with a copy of my permit application submitted to USACE, to the Georgia Department of Natural Resources Coastal Resources Division (CRD) before they can begin evaluating my proposed project for consistency with Georgia's enforceable policies. I understand additional information may be required to facilitate review.

Once any required authorizations or permits from CRD have been issued, and CRD has concurred with my findings by signing this Consistency Certification Statement, CRD must submit it to USACE in order for them to issue any required federal permits or authorizations, or to validate any provisional authorizations they have already issued. A USACE provisional authorization or permit will not be valid until they receive this Certification Statement signed by CRD.

Attached is a copy of my application to USACE (required)

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

FOR AGENCY INTERNAL USE ONLY:	Date Received (Commencement Date): _____
USACE Authorization/Permit Number (assigned by USACE): _____	
USACE Authorization Type (select one): <input type="checkbox"/> Individual Permit <input type="checkbox"/> General Permit # ___ <input type="checkbox"/> NWP # ___	
USACE Project Manager: _____	
CRD Authorization/Permit Number (assigned by CRD): _____	
CRD Project Manager: _____	

CRD HAS REVIEWED AND CONCURS WITH THIS CONSISTENCY CERTIFICATION STATEMENT TO THE EXTENT THE USACE AUTHORIZED PROJECT DESCRIPTION IS CONSISTENT WITH THE AUTHORIZED PROJECT DESCRIPTION FOR ANY CRD PERMIT ISSUED FOR THIS PROJECT

CRD Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____ Title: _____

For questions regarding consistency with the Georgia Coastal Management Program, please contact the Federal Consistency Coordinator at (912) 264-7218 or visit www.CoastalGADNR.org.

**ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNER NOTIFICATION
NOTICE OF INTENT TO CONSTRUCT A PRIVATE,
SINGLE/MULTI FAMILY RECREATIONAL DOCK**

DATE OF NOTICE _____

This notification is to advise you that _____ has applied for a recreational dock facility. The Georgia Department of Natural Resources and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers require that you, as an adjacent property owner, be notified. The applicant or agent for the applicant has been instructed to provide you with a copy of the project drawings along with this document.

PROJECT LOCATION _____

PROJECT TYPE _____

_____ As an adjacent property owner, I have been notified of the proposed work and reviewed the plans and do NOT object to the issuance of a permit for the project, as proposed.

_____ As an adjacent property owner, I have been notified of the proposed work and reviewed the plans and object to the issuance of a permit for the project, as proposed, for the following reasons.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone # _____ Email _____

Adjacent Property Owner Signature

Date

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Name _____

Address _____

Phone # _____ Email _____

Adjacent Property Owner Signature

Date



DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

COASTAL RESOURCES DIVISION

ONE CONSERVATION WAY · BRUNSWICK, GA 31520 · 912-264-7218

WALTER RABON
COMMISSIONER

DOUG HAYMANS
DIRECTOR

Private Dock Construction Notification Form

At least **10 days prior to completing** construction, the permittee must complete and sign this form, and return it to the Private Dock Project Manager with the Georgia DNR at the address below.

Permittee Name: _____

Project Street Address: _____

Project County: _____ **Project Waterway:** _____

Permit/Revocable License Issue Date: _____ **Expected Date of Completion:** _____

Contractor Name: _____

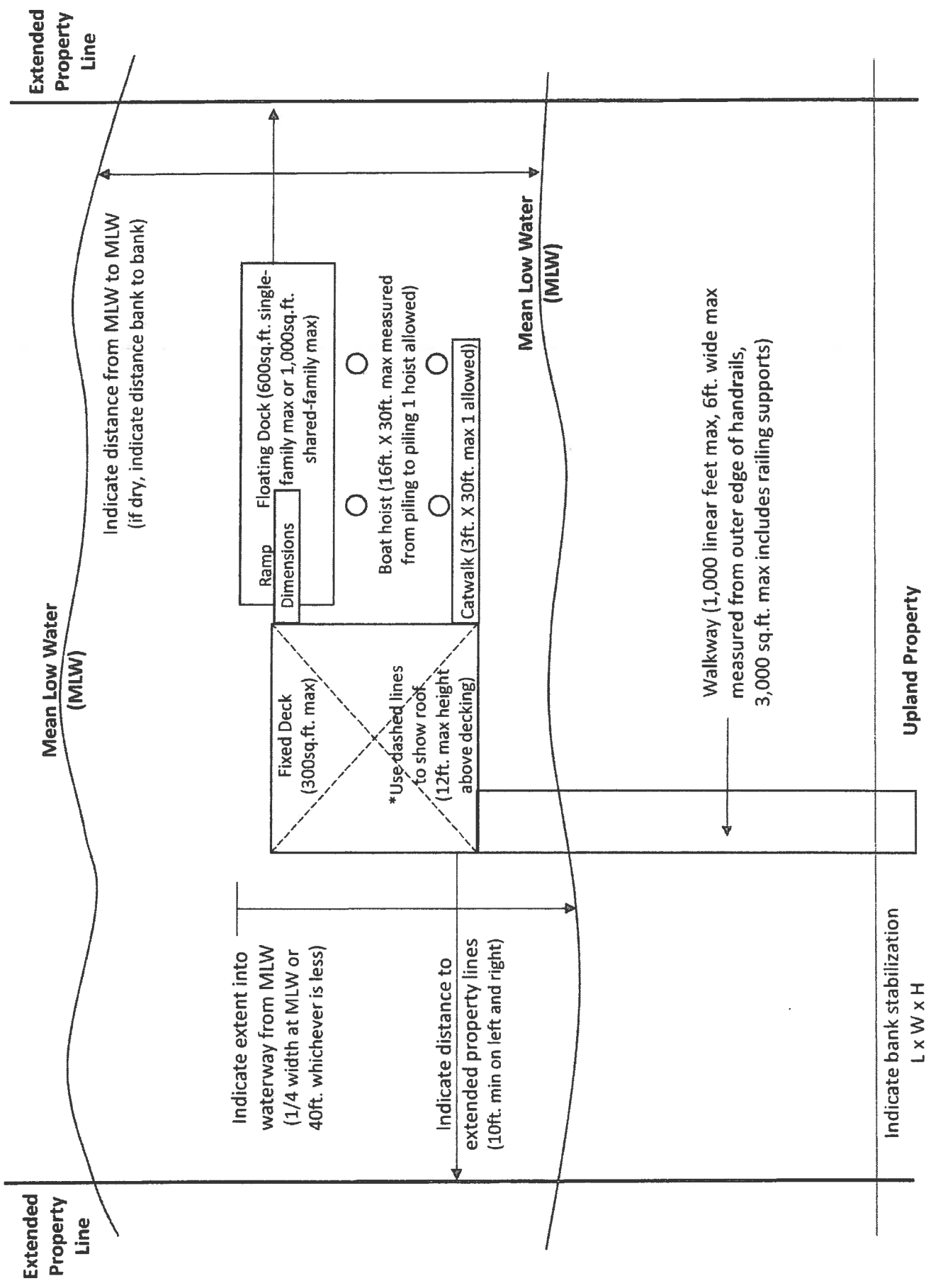
Contractor Address: _____

Contractor Phone: _____ **Email:** _____

Permittee Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

(Through the above signature I am certifying that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and accurate, and that I am the current owner of the project property)

Attachment C



Extended Property Line

Mean Low Water (MLW)

Extended Property Line

Indicate distance from MLW to MLW (if dry, indicate distance bank to bank)

Indicate extent into waterway from MLW (1/4 width at MLW or 40ft. whichever is less)

Indicate distance to extended property lines (10ft. min on left and right)

Fixed Deck (300sq.ft. max)

*Use dashed lines to show roof (12ft. max height above decking)

Ramp Dimensions

Floating Dock (600sq.ft. single-family max or 1,000sq.ft. shared-family max)

Boat hoist (16ft. X 30ft. max measured from piling to piling 1 hoist allowed)

Catwalk (3ft. X 30ft. max 1 allowed)

Mean Low Water (MLW)

Walkway (1,000 linear feet max, 6ft. wide max measured from outer edge of handrails, 3,000 sq.ft. max includes railing supports)

Indicate bank stabilization L x W x H

Upland Property

MARK WILLIAMS
COMMISSIONER

DOUG HAYMANS
DIRECTOR

STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE

SUBJECT: Updated: Issuing Revocable Licenses for Private Recreational Docks in Tidally Influenced Waters of the State

EFFECTIVE: August 5, 2022

PROCEDURE STATEMENT:

This Standard Operating Procedure provides the basis for how and under what criteria the State, through its authority delegated to the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Coastal Resources Division (CRD), may issue a Revocable License for a Private Dock that is exempt from the permitting requirements of the Coastal Marshlands Protection Act¹:

“The dock is exclusively for the noncommercial use of the owner or his or her invitees, is constructed on pilings, the walkways are above the marsh grass and not obstructing tidal flow, by:

- The owner of a lot on which a detached single-family residence is located on high land adjoining such dock; or
- The owner of a lot having at least 50 front feet of land abutting the marshlands which contains high land suitable for the construction of a detached single-family residence and where the construction of such a residence is not prohibited; or
- The building of a single private dock by the owners of up to four adjoining lots, each of which is riparian and would qualify for an exemption, for the exclusive noncommercial use of the owners or their invitees and constructed as a single walkway on pilings above the marsh grass, not obstructing tidal flow, and in a size to be determined by the department taking into consideration the number of adjoining lots utilizing the dock; provided, however, each of the owners of the adjoining lots has entered into a binding covenant that runs with the land, which prohibits the building of any future private dock on his or her lot unless the dock is removed or converted to a single-family private dock.”

DEFINITIONS:

“**Private Dock**,” also referred to as “Private Recreational Dock” (PRD) means a structure built onto or over the marsh and submerged lands which is used for recreational fishing and other recreational activities, is not available to the public, does not have enclosures, and does not create a navigation hazard; provided, however, that a private dock may be covered and screened with wainscotting not higher than three feet and may be equipped with a hoist.”²

“**Revocable License**” means the granting, subject to certain terms and conditions contained in a written revocable license agreement, to a named person or persons (licensee), and to that person or persons only, of a revocable personal privilege to use a certain described parcel or tract of the property to be

¹ O.C.G.A §12-5-295 (7) and (7.1).

² O.C.G.A §12-5-282(12).

known as the licensed premises for a named purpose. Regardless of any and all improvements and investments made, consideration paid, or expenses and harm incurred or encountered by the licensee, a revocable license shall not confer upon the licensee any right, title, interest, or estate in the licensed premises, nor shall a revocable license confer upon the licensee a license coupled with an interest or an easement. A revocable license may be revoked, canceled, or terminated, with or without cause, at any time by the licensor.³

PROCEDURE:

- 1) CRD staff will review applications for Revocable Licenses for PRDs, to include an on-site visit when practicable. Compliance inspections shall be conducted for all existing docks, unless this requirement is waived at CRD's discretion.
- 2) CRD will issue a Revocable License for PRD for proposed projects that meet the following standards. Applicants for projects that do not meet the standards stated herein shall be notified in writing that a Revocable License will not be issued for the project as proposed.
- 3) Standards for Private Recreational Docks:
 - a. The dock facility must be for water-dependent activities that access a waterway with defined banks and not ponded areas or mudflats.
 - b. No fixed decks, floats, boat hoists or floating watercraft lifts shall be approved in waterways having a width of less than 20 feet. However, one "L" or "T" shaped walkway up to 6 feet wide by 14 feet long and parallel to the waterway is allowable. Walkways must be constructed at a height above all vegetation, but not more than six feet above grade. If there is a vessel associated with the dock facility, it must be stored over the walkway.
 - c. The fixed walkway maximum width is 6 feet, and the maximum length is 1,000 linear feet. The walkway width shall be measured as the width of the decking. All handrails, support bracing, and bumpers must be clearly indicated on the drawing, but will not count toward the total square footage of the walkway. The fixed walkway maximum area may not exceed 3,000 square feet. Walkways must be constructed at a height above all vegetation, but not more than six feet above grade. Walkways across tributaries that are less than 20 feet wide at mean high water (MHW) must be bridged and have a minimum clearance of 6 feet above MHW to the bottom of the bridge. Walkway height and piling spacing must provide for safe navigation in the channel of the bridged tributary. CRD may, on an individual basis, increase or decrease the clearance restrictions as appropriate.
 - d. Only one fixed deck with a maximum area (including screened and/or roofed sections) of 300 square feet is permissible. No fixed deck shall be located over marsh vegetation. Landings used for the sole purpose of gangway placement count towards the total 300 square feet. All support bracing must be clearly indicated on the drawing. All sinks, benches, or other cantilevered components count toward the total 300 square feet and must be clearly indicated on the

³ O.C.G.A §50-61-31(10).

drawing.

A fixed deck may be open-sided, partially or totally covered, or enclosed with screen. The covered portions may be constructed either with walls of a single layer of woven screen or wainscot (lower 3 feet of the wall finished with wood; upper section finished in woven screen). The fixed deck shall not be fully enclosed with wood, glass, fiberglass, metal, or any other solid type of material.

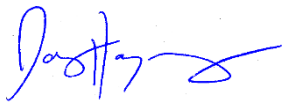
- e. The floating dock maximum area is 600 square feet for a single-family structure and 1,000 square feet for a shared-family structure. Floating docks may not rest on the water bottom at low tide and must be supported on pilings or by a cradle at least two feet above the mud. No floating dock shall be located over marsh vegetation.
- f. Floating watercraft lifts (as defined by CRD) are drive-on docks or run-up floats that are not considered to be floating docks and do not count toward the 600 total square feet (1,000 square feet for shared family docks) when all of the following conditions are met: they are used primarily for on-top storage of watercraft and not as a walkway, deck, wave attenuator or for additional mooring space; do not extend further seaward than any portion of the existing or proposed dock structure; do not encroach within 10 feet of an extended upland property line or dock corridor and do not encroach within 20 feet of an adjacent, existing dock; do not rest on the mud at low tide; are not located over marsh vegetation; and are not pile supported.⁴
- g. The dock structure may extend seaward from the MLW a maximum distance of 40 feet or one quarter (1/4) width of the waterway at MLW, whichever is less, as determined by CRD. If the dock is located in a waterway that goes dry, the vegetation line shall be used instead of MLW.
- h. One boat hoist with a maximum dimension of 16 feet by 30 feet is permissible. The hoist is measured from piling to piling, not the roof dimensions. Over-dock storage systems, such as davits, are not considered boat hoists but must be indicated on the drawing. One catwalk, whose exclusive use is to service a hoist, may not exceed 3 feet by 30 feet.
- i. Only the fixed deck and boat hoist may be roofed. Roofs must be indicated on the drawing, and do not count towards total square footages of structures. All areas of the dock are limited to a maximum height of 12 feet above the decking at the lowest deck height. Roof dimensions may not extend more than 18 inches beyond the structure to be covered. Justification shall be required for roof overhangs exceeding 18 inches.
- j. The use of utilities to service the dock facility (such as water and electricity) must be noted and location identified on the submitted drawing. Lighting for

⁴ "CRD Internal Policy Document for Floating Watercraft Lifts at PRD and CMPA-regulated facilities within tidally-influenced waters of the State." August 2, 2017; revised September 6, 2021.

non-navigation purposes must be minimal in nature with light source capped and shielded. Freshwater outlets are permitted so long as routine monthly maintenance checks are performed. Any unattended free running fresh water is prohibited.

- k. All equipment used within the marsh for the construction of the dock must be operated from construction mats laid in single file immediately adjacent to the dock on one side of the structure, only. Use of construction mats in excess or for extended periods of time that destroy underlying vegetation may require restoration by the permittee.
- l. Existing docks that are compliant with prior permit history, with dock features (deck, float, walkway, etc.) that are in serviceable condition as determined by CRD, but that exceed the above standards may be maintaining in the same footprint.

This Standard Operating Procedure does not expire but may be modified by CRD without advanced notice.



Director

Date: August 5, 2022