Board of Health Application for Emergency Permit to Immediately Alleviate Health Threats Caused by Beaver or Muskrat Activity

Applicant: ____________________________________________________________

Address: ____________________________________ Tel. No. (      ) -_____-_____

Location of Beaver Dam/ Colony :___________________________________________

Name of Property Owner: ___________________________________________

Trapper’s Name and License Number: ______________________________________

Emergency Permit Being Requested (please check)

☐ The use of a conibear trap, or box, or cage type trap subject to regulations of Mass Wildlife
☐ The breaching of dams, dikes, bogs or berms subject to Conservation Commission approval
☐ The use non-lethal management or water flow devices subject to Conservation Comm. approval

Reason for Permit: (MGL C 131, sec. 80A defines threats to human health or safety) (Please check all that apply)

☐ Beaver or muskrat occupancy of a public water supply
☐ Beaver or muskrat-caused flooding of drinking water wells, wellfields or pumping station
☐ Beaver or muskrat-caused flooding of a public or private way, driveway, railway or airport runway or taxi-way
☐ Beaver or muskrat-caused flooding of electrical or gas generated plants or transmission or distribution structure or facilities, telephone or other communications facilities or other public utilities.
☐ Beaver or muskrat-caused flooding affecting the public use of hospitals, emergency clinics, nursing homes, homes for the elderly, or fire stations;
☐ Beaver or muskrat-caused flooding affecting hazardous waste sites or facilities, incineration or resource recovery
☐ The gnawing, chewing, entering, or damage to electrical or gas generation or distribution equipment, cables, alarm systems or facilities by any beaver or muskrat
☐ Beaver or muskrat-caused flooding or structural instability on property owned by the applicant if such an animal problem poses an immediate threat of substantial property damage, which shall be limited to:
☐ Flooding of residential, commercial, or industrial buildings and facilities
☐ Flooding of or access to commercial agricultural land which prevents normal agricultural practices from being conducted on such lands.
☐ Reduction on production of an agricultural crop caused by flooding or compromised structural ability of commercial agricultural land
☐ Flooding of residential land in which the municipal health department, its chair or agent, the Federal or State Department of Health determines a threat to human health or safety exists.
☐ Other:

Describe__________________________________________________________________________________

_________________________________________________________________________________________
Is the location where the threat to health or safety is occurring different from the address of the applicant?

___ YES

___ NO

If YES, please list location and property owner name in space provided below.

Location: ________________________________________________________________

Name of Property Owner: _________________________________________________

☐ Attach Consent Form (page 3)

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Date of site visit   /   /   /   

Inspector: ________________________________

Findings: ________________________________________________________________

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Application results:

___ Approve Application for

☐ Flood Control

☐ Trapping

Permit # __________ expiration date: /   /   /

Issued to: ________________________________________________________________

___ Disapprove Application for

☐ Flood Control

☐ Trapping

An applicant, or his agent, denied an emergency permit may appeal to:

The Department of Public Health
Bureau of Environmental Assessment
(617) 624-5757
Consent Form

I, ____________________________________________, as owner of the property at
Name (print)
______________________________________________________________

consent to allow
Street Address or Map and Lot

______________________________________________, who is under contract with
Name of Consultant or Licensed Trapper

______________________________________________, to enter my property for the purpose of installing water level
devices and/or trapping and removing beavers that are causing a threat to public health and safety as determined
by the Board of Health. I understand that any water level control measures or alterations to wetlands or beaver
structures will also be permitted through the Conservation Commission.

_________________________________________  _______________________
Signature                          Date