AUTHORIZATION TO CONDUCT STREAM ALTERATION ACTIVITIES

Pursuant to Section C.2.3 of the VT Stream Alteration General Permit (Reporting activities requiring an application)



A. Permitted Project Information:

Project Number: **SA-06-17-2016**

Applicant Name: Summit Ventures NE, LLC dba Sugarbush Resort Phone: (802) 583-6366

Mailing Address: 1840 Sugarbush Access Road, Warren, VT 05674 Email: mwade@sugarbush.com

Project Location: 801 German Flats Rd., Fayston; Jct. of Chase and Slide Brook (44.1788, -72.8835)

B. Findings:

The Secretary of the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources (VT ANR) has determined that:

- 1. This project authorizes annual sediment removal from the Van Loon water intake system, and modifications to the impoundment structure to enhance aquatic organism passage.
- 2. The proposed activity is eligible for coverage under the VT ANR Stream Alteration General Permit.
- 3. The proposed activity will meet the terms and conditions of the General Permit provided:
 - a) The project will be completed and approved as shown on the plan submitted 08/24/2016, prepared by Summit Ventures NE, LLC dba Sugarbush Resort, and approved by the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources.

C. Standard Conditions:

- 1. The project will not adversely affect the public safety by increasing flood hazards.
- 2. The project will not significantly damage fish life or wildlife.
- 3. The project will not significantly damage the rights of riparian owners.
- 4. The project will not further obstruct the movement of aquatic life indigenous to the waterbody beyond the actual duration of construction.
- 5. The project is conducted in a manner which minimizes or avoids any discharge of sediment or other pollutants to surface waters in violation of the VT Water Quality Standards.
- 6. All excavate sediments shall be disposed outside of the designated river corridor.
- 7. The ANR River Management Engineer is notified by phone or email when prior to the start of construction and when the project is complete.
- 8. For the purpose of enhancing fish migration during the spawning season sediment excavation activities and installation of the flashboards may only occur between 10/15 and 11/15 unless a formal request is made and approved by the River Management Engineer.
- 9. This permit expires on 11/15/2020
- 10. <u>Additional Conditions:</u> Alterations to the weir structure will be conducted in the fall of 2016 to enhance aquatic organism passage at this site.

If there are any changes in the project plan or deviation in construction from the plan, the Permittee must notify the River Management Engineer immediately. If the project is constructed as you have described, as shown on the above referenced approved plans and according to the above conditions, there is no reason to expect any violation of Vermont Water Quality Standards.

D. Authorization:

Signed this 23rd day of September, 2016

Alyssa B Schuren, Commissioner

Department of Environmental Conservation

by:

Jaron Borg, River Management Engineer

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