Submerged Log-Timber Recovery In Alabama Waters

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Below is a list of agencies that should be contacted prior to commencing submerged (deadhead) log/timber recovery in Alabama waters. Please be advised that this list might not be all-inclusive, and other agencies/individuals may need to be contacted prior to beginning the activity.

1. Local County and/or City Engineering Department

2. Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (ADCNR)

www.outdooralabama.com/

If fully submersed log/timber recovery will take place in State-owned submersed lands then the State Lands Division must be contacted for approval.

An operator can obtain an exclusive contract with ADCNR to recover logs in a specific waterbody, and the operator will have a 90-day period after entering into the contract with ADCNR to obtain permit coverage, if required, from the COE, ADEM, or local government body. Once all required permits/approvals are obtained, ADCNR will then give final approval for the operator to proceed.

Alabama State Lands Division
64 North Union Street
Montgomery, Alabama 36130
334-242-3484
dcnr.commissioner@dcnr.alabama.gov

3. US Army Corps of Engineers (COE)

www.sam.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory/

Permit coverage may be required pursuant to the Federal Clean Water Act Section 404 permitting relative to dredge & fill in Federal waters, and/or required pursuant to activities regulated under Section 10 of the Federal Rivers and Harbors Act

Regulatory Division
Mobile District
US Army Corps of Engineers
P.O. Box 2288
Mobile, Alabama 36628-0001
251-690-2658
craig.i.litteken@usace.army.mil

4. Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM)

www.adem.alabama.gov

334-271-7700

Land-Based Activities

Depending on the size and location of the initial upland disturbance, an ADEM construction stormwater NPDES discharge permit may be required.

Depending on the scope and activities conducted at the facility once operational, an ADEM operational stormwater NPDES discharge permit may be required.

Water Division 334-271-7823 h2omail@adem.alabama.gov

Water-Based Activities

Potential water quality concerns/issues; water quality permitting, if applicable. Boat/barge operations discharges/impacts; potential concerns include but are not limited to oil & grease, increased turbidity, sediment re-suspension, dissolved oxygen.

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Only If a Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 404 individual permit is required by the US Army Corps of Engineers, then an ADEM CWA Section 401 Water Quality Certification may be required (except Baldwin, Mobile, and Washington Counties)

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ADEM Administrative Code Division 335-8
(Includes CWA Section 401 Water Quality Certification)
Baldwin, Mobile, and Washington Counties

Mobile Branch
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