



Prohibited Invasive Species Permit State of Minnesota

Department of Natural Resources, Division of Ecological and Water Resources
500 Lafayette Road, St. Paul Minnesota 55155-4025

August 12, 2011

**Permittee: Randy Wayne Rider and designees
(Ryan Thibodo and Nathen Harris)**

Permit number: 232

Location: R.R. Handyman / Aquatic Weed Harvesting
P.O. Box 116, Merrifield, MN 56465

Daytime Phone: 218-851-7383

Species: Zebra mussels (*Dreissena* sp.)

Scope: Permission is hereby granted to possess and transport zebra mussels that may be: 1) attached to aquatic plants being transported for disposal; and 2) attached to aquatic plant harvesting equipment removed from zebra mussel designated infested waters of Gull Lake in Crow Wing County. Transport is authorized from Gull Lake to the cleaning, disposal, and storage site at 23058 County Road 4, Nisswa, Minnesota during the last 3 weeks of August each year.

Conditions:

Permit The permittee and all designees shall have a copy of the permit in their possession while conducting activities authorized by this permit.

Equipment This permit applies to the aquatic plant control equipment (harvester, conveyor, and trailer) used to conduct aquatic plant mechanical control and transport the equipment and harvested plants.

Treatment, Confinement, and Disposal The permittee shall take the following measures to prevent the spread of zebra mussels to other waters during the activities authorized by this permit.

- All aquatic plant material potentially having attached zebra mussels shall be transported with covers over the plant material.
- Mechanical control equipment being transported to the cleaning location shall first be hand cleaned at the water access to minimize attached aquatic plants as much as possible.
- Mechanical control equipment that has been in zebra mussel infested waters and potentially has zebra mussels attached shall be cleaned at the above facility before reuse on subsequent lakes. Cleaning shall include: high pressure washing of the entire harvester including the hull and subsequently keeping it out of the water for at least two weeks or storing it for winter.
- All plants and associated material shall be disposed of at sites at least 300 feet from any waterbody.

Reporting/Notification The permittee shall notify the Department by phone to Wayne Mueller or email to APM.notifyr1@state.mn.us at least 24 hours prior to launching and removing the equipment from the zebra mussel infested water.

Inspections Facilities for holding prohibited invasive species of wild animals and aquatic plants for control or disposal purposes identified in this permit are subject to inspection at any reasonable time by the commissioner of natural resources or a designated employee.

Revocation Permits issued under this part may be revoked by the commissioner if the permittee does not comply with the conditions of this permit or Minnesota rules 6216.0100 to 6216.0600, or if revocation is necessary to protect the interest of the public, to protect native plant and animal populations in the state, or to otherwise protect the state's natural resources.

Transferability This permit is not transferable.

Disclaimer of Liability No liability is assumed by the State or any of its officers, agents, or employees by issuance of this prohibited invasive species permit, or for any act or omission of the permittee, or by any prohibited species in possession of the permittee.

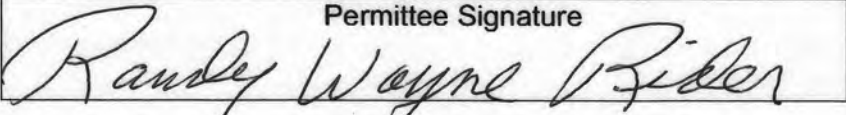
Expiration date: This permit is valid from the date of issuance through October 31, 2012.

Issued by:



William J. Rendall, Invasive Species Prevention Coordinator

I hereby certify that I have read and understand the provisions of this permit and understand that this permit is not valid unless it is signed by the permittee.

Permittee Signature	Date
	8/13/2011

cc: DNR Division of Enforcement
Dan Swanson
Wayne Mueller
Joe Mix

Capt. Phil Meier
Bob Leibfried
Steve Enger

Jim Tischler
Luke Skinner
Tim Collette