

**FORM  
SVR-2  
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# EXISTING TREE COMPENSATION AGREEMENT

*For outdoor advertising signs expressly permitted under G.S. 136-129 (4) or G.S. 136-129 (5) and in accordance with Chapter 136 of the NC General Statutes and applicable NC Administrative Code (NCAC). This form is to be used when sign owner / applicant desires to cut, trim, prune, or remove any "existing" tree (s), defined as trees that had a caliper inch diameter of four inches or greater as measured six inches from the ground at the time the outdoor advertising (ODA) structure was erected, from the vegetative cut zone at the requested ODA site.*

**NOTE:** This is a 3 - page form with information to be completed on all 3 pages. Review carefully the requirements in the conditions section on page 3. Form is to be completed and signed by the ODA sign owner / applicant for a selective vegetation removal (SVR) permit and submitted along with the corresponding Form SVR-1 for the same requested site. Please note the form is to be notarized before submitting to the NCDOT.

## REQUESTED SELECTIVE VEGETATION REMOVAL (SVR) SITE:

APPLICANT (SIGN COMPANY): \_\_\_\_\_ DATE : \_\_\_\_\_

OUTDOOR  
ADVERTISING (ODA)  
SIGN PERMIT NO.: \_\_\_\_\_ DIVISION: \_\_\_\_\_ DISTRICT: \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTY NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ ROUTE : \_\_\_\_\_

MILEPOST LOCATION \_\_\_\_\_ NBL \_\_\_\_\_ SBL

OR DESCRIPTION : \_\_\_\_\_ EBL \_\_\_\_\_ WBL

## DESCRIPTION OF COMPENSATORY OPTIONS:

- A. Monetary reimbursement to the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT), according to the compensatory tree appraisal amount calculated in the table at the top of page 2 of this form.
- B. Removal of two (2) nonconforming outdoor advertising signs for each sign at which removal of existing compensatory trees is requested, according to the Option B section of this form.
- C. Beautification, replanting, and maintenance plan related to the site for which the vegetation permit request is made, according to the Option C section of this form.

## APPLICANT MUST CHOOSE AND CHECK ONE OPTION BELOW

- \_\_\_\_\_ OPTION A. Select to pay for \_\_\_\_\_ caliper inches of trees at a total cost of \$ \_\_\_\_\_. If this option is chosen, the Option A instructions on page 2 of this form should be followed.
- \_\_\_\_\_ OPTION B. Select to remove two (2) nonconforming signs. If this option is chosen, the Option B section on page 2 of this form for removal of nonconforming signs should be completed.
- \_\_\_\_\_ OPTION C. Select to submit a beautification and replanting plan related to the site for which the selective vegetation removal permit request is made. If this option is chosen, the Option C section on page 2 for beautification and replanting plan should be completed.

**PLEASE NOTE: BEFORE COMPLETING REMAINDER OF FORM, REGARDLESS OF OPTION CHOSEN, APPLICANT WILL NEED TO COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING 3 SPACES BELOW FOR # OF TREES, CALIPER INCHES, AND TOTAL TREE APPRAISAL, FOR EXISTING TREES TO BE CUT, THINNED,**

CUTTING ZONE	TOTAL # OF "EXISTING" TREES TO BE CUT, THINNED, PRUNED, OR REMOVED:	TOTAL CALIPER INCHES OF "EXISTING" TREE(S) TO BE CUT, THINNED, PRUNED, OR REMOVED:	MONETARY VALUE (PER CALIPER INCH) AT THE ANNUAL PUBLISHED RATE DETERMINED BY NCDOT:	TOTAL TREE APPRAISAL (REIMBURSEMENT AMOUNT) = TOTAL CALIPER INCHES X MONETARY VALUE RATE
ABCD Zone			<b>\$125.00</b>	<b>\$</b>
150 Zone			<b>\$150.00</b>	<b>\$</b>
Total				<b>\$</b>

**OPTION A. MONETARY REIMBURSEMENT IN PERMITTED CUTTING ZONE:**

If option A is chosen, a check in the amount of the reimbursement (from last column / space on right above), payable to the NC Department of Transportation), is to be included with submittal of this form.

**OPTION B. REMOVAL OF TWO (2) NONCONFORMING OUTDOOR ADVERTISING SIGNS:**

The following nonconforming signs must be fully disassembled (including the supporting structures) and the ODA permit tags returned to the Department, before any vegetation removal is permitted. These signs must be legally permitted signs in good standing with all annual renewal fees paid in full. By signing the AGREEMENT SECTION of this form, the sign owner confirms the above referenced signs have been reviewed and are available to be surrendered. Surrendered signs shall not be eligible for future outdoor advertising permits in perpetuity.

<b>Sign 1: Permit Number</b>	<b>Sign Owner</b>	<b>Division</b>	<b>District</b>	<b>County</b>
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	<b>Route</b>	<b>Milepost</b>		
	_____	_____	___ NBL	___ SBL
			___ EBL	___ WBL

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**OPTION C. BEAUTIFICATION, REPLANTING, AND MAINTENANCE PLAN. Check the space below.**

\_\_\_\_\_ Applicant agrees to submit to the Department a plan for beautification and replanting related to the site for which the vegetation permit request is made, according to the provisions of Title 19A NCAC 02E.0611. The Department's written approval of the plan will allow the applicant to proceed with requested vegetation cutting, thinning, pruning, or removal at the outdoor advertising site, upon official approval and notification to the applicant by the Department.

More information on the selective vegetation removal (SVR) program can be found at this website:

<https://connect.ncdot.gov/resources/roadside/Pages/Selective-Vegetation-Removal-Permits.aspx>

**CONDITIONS:**

- 1) The tree appraisal value is determined according to GS 136-93.2. The value shall be determined and published by the Department no later than December 15 of each year, to be in effect beginning January 1 of the next year. If the Department fails to publish changes in values by December 15, then the values existing on December 15 shall be applicable to existing trees removed and eligible for reimbursement for the following year. It is the intention of the Department to maintain the tree appraisal value on the SVR website mentioned above.
- 2) The total tree appraisal (reimbursement) amount is the total caliper inches multiplied by the per caliper inch monetary value.
- 3) For the monetary compensation option, the total reimbursement amount must be paid in full to the NC Department of Transportation before any vegetation removal is allowed to proceed at the site. The approved SVR permit is subject to official written Departmental notification to the applicant, and subsequently the applicant must comply with a minimum 48-hour notice to the Department and satisfy all other requirements.
- 4) In the case of removal of nonconforming signs, the two (2) signs must be fully disassembled (including supporting structures) before any removal of trees is allowed to proceed at the site. The approved SVR permit is subject to official written Departmental notification to the applicant, and subsequently the applicant must comply with a minimum 48-hour notice to the Department and satisfy all other requirements. For surrendered signs, the outdoor advertising permit tags must be returned to the Department and surrendered signs shall not be eligible for future outdoor advertising permits in perpetuity.
- 5) If the beautification, replanting, and maintenance plan is chosen, the Department's written approval of the plan will allow the applicant to proceed with requested vegetation cutting, thinning, pruning, or removal at the outdoor advertising site. The approved SVR permit is subject to official written Departmental notification to the applicant, and subsequently the applicant must comply with a minimum 48-hour notice to the Department and satisfy all other requirements. If the beautification, replanting, and maintenance plan is agreed to by the applicant and approved by the Department, there shall be no monetary reimbursement to the Department for removal of trees that existed at the time the outdoor advertising sign was erected, nor shall the applicant be required to remove two nonconforming outdoor advertising signs for removal of existing trees at the site.
- 6) **SPECIAL NOTE TO SVR APPLICANT: The following rule in Title 19A NCAC 02E: 0610 (11) shall apply: "After a tree is removed and the applicant or the Department discovers, based on the number of rings in the tree stump, an error in the tree survey report or site plan, the Department shall request an amendment to the tree survey report or site plan, and a redetermination pursuant to G.S. 136-133.1(d) and (e) shall be made by the Department and the applicant shall be subject to that redetermination".**

**AGREEMENT SECTION:**

I hereby choose Option \_\_\_\_\_ as noted on page 1 of this form as compensation for "existing" tree removal as defined in this document and agree to comply with all requirements for said option.

**PRINTED NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **TITLE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**COMPANY:** \_\_\_\_\_

**TELEPHONE #:** \_\_\_\_\_ **EMAIL ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**FAX #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTARIZATION REQUIRED:**

North Carolina or other State: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_, a Notary Public for said County and State, do hereby certify that

\_\_\_\_\_ personally appeared before me this day and acknowledged the due execution of the foregoing instrument.

Witness my hand and official seal, this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_

(Official Seal)

Notary Public Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_