

VEGETATION REMOVAL PERMIT APPLICATION

LDC sections 3.05.01 – 3.05.05
Chapter 4 E.4 of the Administrative Code

CRITERIA FOR A VEGETATION REMOVAL PERMIT

Verification: Please obtain verification from County Staff that the proposed work qualifies for a Vegetation Removal Permit prior to paying the application fee. Application fees are non-refundable. Please ask County Staff if you have any questions regarding the criteria for a Vegetation Removal Permit.

Other agency permits: This permit does not preclude the owner/agent from obtaining other required permits of County, State and Federal jurisdictional agencies.

Criteria for a Vegetation Removal Permit:

1. Pursuant to LDC section 3.05.05 E, a property owner may clear exotic vegetation by mechanical means, such as a bush hog or bobcat, only when:
 - a. Mechanical means will not result in damage to the root zone within the drip line of native trees and other vegetation. This means that exotic vegetation beneath the canopy of native trees or other vegetation may not be removed mechanically.
 - b. Mechanical means will not affect listed species on the property.
 - c. Mechanical means will not result in wetland impacts.
2. Pursuant to LDC section 3.05.05 F, a property owner may clear native vegetation in order to construct a perimeter fence. A Collier County fence permit must be referenced or submitted concurrently with the submission of the Vegetation Removal Permit. Construction of the perimeter fence may be done prior to obtaining a building permit for the house (principal structure).
3. Pursuant to LDC section 3.05.05 F, a property owner may clear additional acreage on a single-family residential lot for permitted accessory uses beyond the one acre of clearing allowed by the building permit for the house (principal structure). If an accessory structure is to be built, the building permit must be referenced or submitted concurrently with the submission of the Vegetation Removal Permit.

APPLICANT CONTACT INFORMATION

Name of Owner: _____
Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
Telephone: _____ Cell: _____ Fax: _____
E-Mail Address: _____

Name of Agent (If different than owner): _____
Firm: _____
Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
Telephone: _____ Cell: _____ Fax: _____
E-Mail Address: _____

PROPERTY INFORMATION

Property ID or Folio #: _____
Street address of property (if available): _____

Provide the reason for proposed vegetation removal and brief description of vegetation to be removed.
See LDC criteria on page 1 and consult County Staff if you have any questions.

Total acreage to be removed: _____

Proposed method of vegetation removal: _____

Proposed methods to protect vegetation to be preserved: _____

Permit number for a perimeter fence or permitted accessory structure(s), if applicable: _____

ELECTRONIC SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENT CHECKLIST

REQUIREMENTS FOR REVIEW:	ELECTRONIC DOCUMENTS	REQUIRED
Completed Application (download current form from the County website)	1	☒
Proof of Ownership (Warranty Deed or Tax Statement)	1	☒
Addressing Checklist	1	☒
Generalized vegetation inventory superimposed on a current aerial (See the Property Appraiser's website to print an aerial from its GIS website)	1	☒
Notarized and completed owner/agent affidavits; if applicable	1	☒
Site Plan depicting the following: ○ Property dimensions ○ Location of existing infrastructure and alterations ○ Location of proposed structures, infrastructures and alterations ○ The location and species of all protected vegetation. Large stands of single species, such as cypress heads, may be indication as a group with an approximate number or area ○ Designation of all protected vegetation proposed for removal; and ○ Location and details of protective barricading of the vegetation to be retained.	1	☒

FEES

- Vegetation Removal Permit: \$250.00 up to the 1st acre and \$50.00 per acre for each additional acre or fraction thereof (maximum of \$3,000.00)

PAYMENT

Online Payment Guide can be located: [Here](#)

Completed application may be submitted online [GMD Public Portal](#)

If unfamiliar to applying on portal or have questions, please look over our [E-PermittingGuide](#)

Issuance of a development permit by a County does not in any way create any rights on the part of the applicant to obtain a permit from a State or Federal Agency and does not create any liability on the part of the County for issuance of the permit if the applicant fails to obtain requisite approvals or fulfill the obligations imposed by a State or Federal Agency or undertakes actions that results in a violation of State or Federal Law. This permit is conditioned on all other applicable County, State or Federal permits being obtained before commencement of the development.

I _____, affirm that I am the owner/agent of the property described in this application, and that I understand and will comply with the conditions of this permit.

Signature of Owner/Agent

Date

Printed Name/Title