



**Environmental Protection Agency
Notice to the Public**

Pursuant to Section 11(2) of the Environmental Protection Act, Cap. 20:05, Laws of Guyana, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has screened the application for the grant of an environmental permit for the following proposed project:

Mr. Mahase Persaud- Danny Sawmill (Sawmilling Operation) at Plot 'MNHS' being portion of Lot 172, part of State Land, Agricultural Layout, Eastern Side of Soesdyke-Linden Highway.

The EPA has determined that this project will not significantly affect the environment, and is therefore exempt from the requirement to conduct an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA). The reasons for its decision include:

- 1. Dust Emission Impact:** The processing of logs and lumber by the mill, edger, and planer may generate dust (Particulate Matter). However, shavings will be collected in a dust containment bin and distributed to poultry and swine farmers daily and sawdust will be removed from the mill floor and reused for landfilling. Workers will be equipped with the necessary Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to safeguard themselves from the dust emitted from the sawmill.
- 2. Wood Waste Management:** Wood waste, including shavings, strips, and slabs generated during operations, will be managed to minimize environmental impact. Strips and slabs will be utilized for revetments, further mitigating environmental impact.
- 3. Noise and Vibration Control:** Noise and vibration generated by machinery and equipment (e.g., log loader, mill, edger, and planer) will be mitigated through various measures. All machinery will be equipped with pre-installed silencers/mufflers, and equipment will be placed on wooden planks to dampen vibrations. Additionally, the generator will be housed in an enclosed room with an exhaust stack.
- 4. Surface Water Quality Impact:** The quality of surface water will not be significantly impacted as there are no water bodies within the project site.

Please be advised that this decision is in no way an indication that this project is approved.

The reasons for our decision are available at the following links on our website:

Project Summary Tab

<https://epaguyana.org/download/danny-sawmill-project-summary/>

Any person who may be affected by the proposed project may lodge an appeal against the Agency's decision (EIA not required) within thirty (30) days of the publication of this Notice.
Appeals against the EPA's decision should be addressed to:

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