



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:

- **Rainforest Timbers Sawmill, Operation of a Sawmill, Lumberyard, Timber Depot and Charcoal Production (Two Kilns), at Tract 'KB' in the vicinity of Loo Creek, Eastern Side of the Soesdyke Linden Highway, Right Bank Demerara River.**

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) for the following reasons:

1. Noise and vibration from the use of saws, edgers, and planers; loading and unloading of trucks; air compressors; and power generator will be mitigated by installing mufflers; regular maintenance; and limiting the hours of loading/offloading.
2. Wood dust from sawmilling will be reduced by a dust extractor system and fine particles from fuel combustion by the generator and exhaust stack respectively.
3. Wood waste will be used for charcoal production and made available to the community for collection and reuse.
4. Ash and charcoal fines generated during charcoal production will be managed and used for soil amendment as a source of potassium and calcium.

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/rainforest-timbe...-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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