

MERYN GAMMELL LOGGING
& PORTABLE SAWMILL
CONCESSION NWD 10/22
PROJECT SUMMARY

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The proposed project site is located at NWD 10/22, Essequibo River Right Bank Whanamaparu River Left bank, Takatu River, Left Bank Arakita Creek. Commencing at the mouth of the Whana River on the left bank Barima River having approximate UTM geographic coordinates of 08 05 499 E, 08 41 857 N.

This project activity is to undertake logging and the operation of one Portable mill within the State Forest Authorisation (SFA) No: NWD 10/22 of an approximate area of 5,827 Hectares (14,398 acres) which was issued by the Guyana Forestry Commission on 29th November, 2022. To date the capital investment for the operation is a total six (6) million Guyana dollar and an estimated annual turnover of three (3) million Guyana dollars. The operation has the potential to produce approximately 10,000 BM of rough lumber per month.

Land clearing will be done with chain saws and cutlasses for the establishment of camps. The vegetation that will be cleared for the establishment of camps will be used as landfilled material for the maintenance of the secondary roads within the SFA.

A total of twelve (12) persons will be employed to carry out various operational tasks as it relates to the logging and the operation of one (1) portable sawmill. Toilet facilities entail two (2) Pit Latrines. Working hours will be from 8:00 to 4:30 from Monday to Friday.

Equipment on site entails four (4) chainsaws, one (1) wood Mizer Lt 40, one (2) tractor, (1) skidder and (1) log loader. Source of energy will be from a 100kva Generator and Water for drinking will be purchased and taken to the operation as needed. Water for domestic purposes is sourced from creeks and other waterways located within the SFA.

Waste oil generated from the servicing of the tractors will be amounted to approximately ten (10) gallons and that will be stored in tightly covered five-gallon plastic containers and will be reused in the chainsaws which is stored in a designated area within the SFA.

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) will be provided to all employees such as long boots, helmets, air muffs, dust mask and visibility vest. Additionally, one first aid kit and one snake bite kit is present on site at all times.

Domestic waste inclusive of plastics bottles, vegetable skins, food scraps, etc. will be placed in a waste pit located approximately three hundred (300) meters away from creeks and other waterways within the SFA and when full will be covered with soil and another waste pit is dug. Wood waste such as sawdust, wood skins, wood ends and wood strips are used as land-filled materials throughout the SFA.

