

**Permit 2016-007**

Name (Last, First, MI):\_\_Forrest J Smith\_\_\_\_\_

Semester and year of planned use:\_Intersession 2016\_\_\_\_\_

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Class(es) or Group(s) you will take on the preserve:\_Field/Lab in Environmental  
Science: Wetland Ecology and Determination \_\_\_\_\_

Briefly describe the activity to be conducted on the BNP.

\_\_On Friday May 27, 2016, I will be bringing the class to the BNP to first of all, look at the various wetland and upland sites on the property. We will then be doing simple wetland determination in two sites I will be digging two approximately 8"x8"x18" ince holes. One of these will be in the buttonbush wetland area surrounding the Bath Lake, the other in the upland woods directly uphill of the lake. The instructor will do the digging and refilling of the holes. And other then a few leaf samples, all of the other work is observational, such at the ORAM studies.\_\_\_\_\_

How many students per visit do you anticipate? \_\_\_\_\_28-30\_\_\_\_\_.

On which "research areas" of the preserve will your activity occur? Buttonbush wetland around Bath Lake, dry woods, small wetland near access road.

Does your proposal involve areas that are not part of the designated research areas? no

(if yes, this permit will require approval from the Bath Trustees – this can only be sought four times a year, and so approval of your permit may take up to several months). Talk with the BNP Committee for more details.

What are the anticipated dates of your visit? (we understand this may be determined by weather-but please estimate when you will use the BNP) May 27, 2016

Will the activity involve any destructive sampling/collecting ? Yes x No     

If so, please explain how the material will be collected (including equipment), and an estimate of how much material will be collected: As indicated above, several small holes will be dug and refilled. A few leaves may be samples for keying.

What is the potential impact of your activity on nature preserve?

Minimal, the holes will be dug carefully to minimize size and will be refilled carefully

Have you looked over the web sites of the other research/activities being conducted at BNP?

Yes      No

Are there any potential conflicts of your activity with others at BNP? Yes \_\_\_\_ No X

Explain: Our activities are minimally invasive and we will otherwise simply be walking about the property measuring, observing, and taking notes.

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**By requesting an education permit for work at the BNP, you must agree to the following terms:**

- Educators are responsible for obtaining the appropriate state or federal permits for the conduct of their activity on the BNP (e.g., when working with regulated species).
- Educators are responsible for removing all markers, etc. from their research plots when the research is completed.
- Educators must review all research projects being conducted at BNP and must defer to them when there is a conflict (e.g. if you want to conduct an activity in an area that is closed because of a research project, we will ask that you find another area within BNP for your activity).
- These permits are good for one semester only.
- Educators will file a report of usage, listing information such as: # user days on the BNP, a summary of results of the project(s), a list of data generated and contact information for those interested in the data, and a list of publications or other products resulting from the project(s).
- Educators must abide by the rules and regulations of the BNP in any and all conduct of activities at the BNP.

By signing the request for a BNP education permit below, I agree to the above terms and state that all of the above information is correct to the best of my knowledge. I also agree to amend my above permit request if my activity plans change such that they are no longer well represented in the information supplied in this permit request. If I fail to notify the BNP oversight committee of significant changes in my research, or if I do not follow the rules of the BNP, I realize that the BNP oversight committee can revoke my research permit, and disallow any further work by me, research or otherwise, at the BNP.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: May 2, 2016

Print Name: Forrest J. Smith

Approval:

Bath Township: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

University of Akron: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_