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To Whom It May Concern:

Thank you for your interest of obtaining a Special Use Permit to do research on the Caribbean National Forest. To better serve you we have assembled this packet to process your research proposal.

In order to process your proposal, we need you to complete and return the following:

1. Special Use Permit Application (FS 2700-3)
2. Copy of study proposal.
3. A map of study area.
4. Copy of Puerto Rico's Department of Natural Resources Collection Permit. \*This is only for collection of plants or animals. This permit can be obtained from.

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After receiving a complete application package, we will conduct the necessary environmental analysis in order to comply with Forest policies.

If you have any questions please call Jaime Valentin at (787) 888-5636, Fax # 888-5622.

Sincerely,

GRETCHEN MERRILL  
Customer Service Team Leader

Enclosure

Caring for the Land and Serving People



USDA-Forest Service <b>SPECIAL-USE APPLICATION AND REPORT</b> (Ref.: FSM 2712, 36 CFR 251.54)	<b>FOREST SERVICE USE ONLY</b>			
	Date Received (mo/day/yr) ___/___/___	Region Number ___	State Code ___	County Code ___
<b>INSTRUCTIONS</b> Applicant should request a meeting with the Forest Service representative responsible for processing the application, prior to completing this form. This meeting will allow a discussion of the form's requirements and identify those items to be omitted.	Congressional Dist. Number ___	Forest Code (Admin. Unit No.) ___	Unit ID Symbol (NFFID No.) ___	
	Ranger Dist. No. (Resp. Dist.) ___	User Number ___	Kind of Use Code ___	

**PART I—APPLICATION (Applicant Completes)**

1. Applicant Name and Address (include Zip Code)	2. Authorized Agent Name, Title and Address (include Zip Code) if different from Item 1.	3. Area Code and Telephone Number
		a. Applicant's
		b. Authorized Agent's

4. As applicant are you? (Mark one box with "X") a. <input type="checkbox"/> Individual b. <input type="checkbox"/> Corporation* c. <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership/Association* d. <input type="checkbox"/> State Government/State Agency e. <input type="checkbox"/> Local Government f. <input type="checkbox"/> Federal Agency * If marked "X", complete PART II.	5. Specify what application is for: (Mark one box with "X") a. <input type="checkbox"/> New authorization* b. <input type="checkbox"/> Renew existing authorization c. <input type="checkbox"/> Amend existing authorization* d. <input type="checkbox"/> Other* * If marked "X", provide details under Item 7.
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6. If you are an individual or partnership, are you also a citizen(s) of the United States?  
 Yes  No

7. Describe in detail the land use, including: (a) type of use, activity, or facility; (b) related structures and facilities; (c) physical specifications (length, width, acres, etc.); (d) term of years needed; (e) time of year of use or operation; (f) duration and timing of construction; (g) temporary work areas needed for construction; and (h) anticipated need for future expansion. (If extra space is needed, use Page 3, REMARKS).

8. Attach map covering area and show location of proposed use and/or furnish legal description of the land.

9. Give statement of your technical and financial capability to construct, operate, and terminate the use for which authorization is requested, including the protection and restoration of Federal lands. (If extra space is needed, use page 3, REMARKS).

10a. Describe other reasonable alternative proposals considered.

10b. Give explanation of why it is necessary to utilize Federal lands and why the alternatives in item 10a were not selected.

11. Provide statement of need for proposed use, including the economic feasibility and items such as: (a) cost of proposal (construction, operation, and maintenance); (b) estimated cost of next best alternative; and (c) expected public benefits. (If extra space is needed, use page 3, REMARKS).

12. Describe probable effects on the area population, including social and economic aspects, and rural lifestyles.

13. Describe likely environmental effects that the proposed use will have on: (a) air quality; (b) visual impact; (c) surface and ground water quality and quantity; (d) control or structural change on any stream or other body of water; (e) existing noise levels; (f) land surface, including vegetation, permafrost, soil and soil stability; and (g) populations of fish, plant, wildlife and marine life, including threatened and endangered species. (If extra space is needed, use page 3, REMARKS).

14. Describe what actions will be taken to protect the environment from the effects of the proposed use.

15. Name all Federal, State, County or other department(s)/agency(ies) where an application for this is being filed. Attach appropriate license, building permit, certificate or other approval document.

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I am of legal age and authorized to do business in the State and that I have personally examined the information contained in the application and that this information is correct to the best of my knowledge.

16a. Applicant's Signature (Sign in ink)

16b. Date

Title 18, U.S.C. Section 1001, makes it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any department or agency of the United States any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction.

**PART II—SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION (Applicant Completes)**

MARK "X" IN APPROPRIATE BOX BELOW

**I—PRIVATE CORPORATIONS**

ATTACHED

FILED\*

a. Articles of Incorporation



b. Corporation Bylaws



c. A certification from the State showing the corporation is in good standing and is entitled to operate within the State.



d. Copy of resolution authorizing filing



e. The name and address of each shareholder owning 3 percent or more of the shares, together with the number and percentage of any class of voting shares of the entity which such shareholder is authorized to vote and the name and address of each affiliate of the entity together with, in the case of an affiliate controlled by the entity, the number of shares and the percentage of any class of voting stock of that affiliate owned, directly or indirectly, by that entity, and in the case of an affiliate which controls that entity, the number of shares and the percentage of any class of voting stock of that entity owned, directly or indirectly, by the affiliate.



f. If application is for an oil or gas pipeline, describe any related right-of-way or temporary use permit applications, and identify previous applications.



g. If proposed land use involves other Federal lands identify each agency impacted by proposal.



**II—PUBLIC CORPORATIONS**

a. Copy of law forming corporation



b. Proof of organization



c. Copy of Bylaws



d. Copy of resolution authorizing filing



e. If application is for an oil or gas pipeline, provide information required by Item "I-f" and "I-g" above.



**III—PARTNERSHIP OR OTHER UNINCORPORATED ENTITY**

a. Articles of association, if any



b. If one partner is authorized to sign, resolution authorizing action is



c. Name and address of each participant, partner, association, or other



d. If application is for an oil or gas pipeline, provide information required by Item "I-f" and "I-g" above.



\* If the required information is already filed with the Forest Service and is current, check box titled "Filed." Provide the file identification information (e.g., number, date, code, name and office at which filed). If not on file or current, attach requested information.

REMARKS: (This space is provided for more detailed responses to PART I.) Please indicate the item numbers to which these responses apply. Attach sheets, if additional space is needed.

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 4 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to Department of Agriculture, Clearance Officer, CIRM, Room 404-W, Washington, D.C. 20250; and to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project OMB #0569-0082, Washington, D.C. 20503.

**PART III—REPORT ON APPLICATION (Forest Officer Completes)**

1. General description of the area and adaptability for the proposed use. Outline area on separate map if needed to clarify proposed use.

2. If previously under authorization indicate:

a. Name of Holder

b. Date Authorized

c. Date Closed

3. Describe any encumbrances on the land, such as withdrawals, power projects, easements, rights-of-way, mining claims, leases, etc. Show on map provided.

4. State approximate amount and kinds of timber to be cut, recommended stumpage prices, method of scaling; include recommendation on disposal of merchantable timber: (a) to holder at current damage appraisal or (b) to others than holder under regular timber sale procedure.

5a. Will proposed use conform to Forest Land and Resource Management Plan?

Yes  No

b. Has an Environmental Assessment been prepared?

Yes (Attach)  No

c. Has an Environmental Impact Statement (P.L. 91-190, 42 USC 4321) been prepared?

Yes (Attach)  No

(Note: If "No" is marked with an "X" in any of the above questions, explain in item 6 below.)

6. Recommendations, including any factors which might affect the granting of the authorization or future use of the land.

7. List mandatory and optional clauses which should be made a part of this authorization (See FSM 2780).

8. Fee recommendation (Describe here or on computation sheet attached).

9a. RECOMMEND Approval* or Disapproval*	b. Signature (Sign in ink)	c. Title	d. Date
10a. FINAL Approval* or Disapproval*	b. Signature (Sign in ink)	c. Title	d. Date

\* Delete one by lining it out.