

**File Code:** 1950

**Date:** January 8, 2025

**Invitation to Comment – Please Reply by February 5, 2025**

**Deerfield ADLS Construction Permit**

The USDA Forest Service is initiating an environmental analysis process for the Deerfield ADLS Construction Permit pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. I am writing to seek your comments for the project proposal to approve the construction, use, and maintenance of two Aircraft Detection Lighting System (ADLS) towers on the East Ridge of the Deerfield facility and associated infrastructure. The project is located on the Manchester Ranger District, Green Mountain National Forest, Town of Searsburg, Bennington County, Vermont.

The proposed action potentially falls in a category of actions excluded from analysis in an Environmental Assessment or Environmental Impact Statement, as proposals of this type individually and cumulatively do not have a significant effect on the environment. The Deerfield ADLS Construction Permit appears to fall under category 36 Code of Federal Regulations 220.6(e)(3):

*Approval, modification, or continuation of special uses that require less than 20 acres of NFS lands.*

Specifics of the project proposal, associated project map, and other supporting information are located on our project website at: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/gmfl/?project=67308>

I am interested in hearing any concerns, issues, or suggestions you may have regarding the proposed action. Please provide your comments to us by February 5, 2025. In your comments, please include the following information:

1. Your name, address and telephone number or email address.
2. The project you are commenting on: Deerfield ADLS Construction Permit.
3. Site specific comments about the proposal along with supporting information and rationale you believe will help identify issues.
4. Concerns about environmental effects associated with the proposal.

Submit your written comments in c/o Clara Kuhn via any of the following methods:

- Forest Service online comment system: [Submit a Comment](#)
- Mail: USDA Forest Service, Green Mountain and Finger Lakes National Forests

2538 Depot Street, Manchester Center, VT 05255

(comments can also be hand delivered during office business hours Monday – Friday)



- Phone: (802-747-6746
- Facsimile (Fax): (802) 362-1251

Comments received in response to this invitation, including name and address of those who comment, will be considered part of the public record for this project and will be available for public review.

Additional information regarding the proposal can be obtained from: Clara Kuhn, 4387 US Route 4, Mendon, VT 05701, (802) 613-7653, or email at [clara.kuhn@usda.gov](mailto:clara.kuhn@usda.gov).

Thank you for your interest in the Green Mountain National Forest. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

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Signed by: JOHN SINCLAIR  
JOHN A. SINCLAIR  
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Enclosures: N/A  
cc: Martina Barnes