General Permit for Minor Coastal Structures (DEEP-OLISP-GP-2015-01)
INSTALLATION OF AN OSPREY PLATFORM AND PERCH POLE
authorized in Section 3(a)(3)

The Installation of an Osprey Platform and Perch Pole authorized under Section 3(a)(3) of the General Permit for Minor Coastal Structures (DEEP-OLISP-GP-2015-01) has very specific eligibility criteria and approval/notification requirements. As defined in the general permit, an OSPREY PLATFORM is a single pole or group of poles each less than 20’ long and less than 15” diameter, with a platform greater than 10’ off the ground and having a surface area less than 25 square feet; and a PERCH POLE is a pole, associated with an osprey platform, that is less than 10’ long and less than 15” diameter which is utilized for the purposes of providing a perch for osprey.

To be eligible for the general permit, without any additional approvals from DEEP, the proposed OSPREY PLATFORM and PERCH POLE must be:

1. Consistent with one of the three designs shown as Appendix A, B or C of the general permit
2. More than 300’ from overhead power lines
3. More than 300’ from any other osprey platforms
4. More than 600’ from human disturbance sources (e.g. roads, houses, commercial areas, etc…)
5. The OSPREY PLATFORM is at least 10’ from an area of open water
6. The PERCH POLE is within 20’ of the OSPREY PLATFORM

THIS GENERAL PERMIT REQUIRES THE SUBMITTAL OF A PROJECT REPORT FOURTEEN (14) DAYS PRIOR TO THE INITIATION OF WORK
If you intend to install an **OSPREY PLATFORM** and/or **PERCH POLE** structure design other than the three in Appendix A, B and C of the general permit, you will need to get pre-approval from the D.E.E.P. In addition, if you find that the proposed location of your **OSPREY PLATFORM** and/or **PERCH POLE** do not meet the setback distances from **Overhead Power Lines** (>300’) and/or sources of **Human Disturbance** (>600’), you can request setback waivers from D.E.E.P. To request a Platform/Perch design deviation approval, or an **Overhead Power Line** and/or **Human Disturbance** setback waiver, please contact Brian Hess of the D.E.E.P. Wildlife Division at:

PO Box 1550, Burlington, CT 06013; Phone: 860-424-3208; Email:
brian.hess@ct.gov

You must receive plan deviation and setback waiver approvals in writing from D.E.E.P and include copies in the **Project Report**.

Not later than fourteen (14) days prior to the installation of **OSPREY PLATFORM** and/or **PERCH POLE**, you must submit two copies of a **Project Report** to the commissioner at the following address:

Permit Section
Office of Long Island Sound Programs
Department of Energy and Environmental Protection
79 Elm Street
Hartford, Connecticut 06106-5127
(860) 424-3034
Fax # (860) 424-4054

The **Project Report** shall consist of the following information:

a. contact information for the party responsible for installing such structure(s);
b. site map specifying the location of the project;
c. specifications of the design used;
d. A copy of D.E.E.P’s written approval of a design deviation (if applicable);
e. A copy of D.E.E.P’s written approval of any setback waivers (if applicable); and
f. the anticipated date(s) of construction.
Please be aware that any osprey platform or perch pole authorized herein located below the coastal jurisdiction line or within tidal wetlands shall be installed by hand methods only, without the use of heavy equipment.

Please be aware, that if you fail to submit a timely Project Report, you will be considered by the DEEP to be out of compliance with the general permit. Non-compliance with the general permit may subject you to enforcement actions, including but not limited to, the collection of penalties, issuance of a Notice of Violation or Order and/or the revocation of coverage under the general permit.