

Notice

May 10, 2012

The Town of Canaan received a letter dated May 10, 2012 from Deirdre Schneider, Shoreland Zoning Coordinator, Maine Department of Environmental Protection (Department Order #15-2012) approving the Town of Canaan's Shoreland Zoning Ordinance as adopted on March 17, 2012. The Shoreland Zoning Ordinance is in compliance with the Chapter 1000: Guidelines for Municipal Shoreland Zoning Ordinances (Guidelines).

November 30, 2012

The Town of Canaan received a letter from Dough Denico, Director Maine Forest Service, Maine Department of Agriculture, Conservation & Forestry dated November 30, 2012:

- Excerpt from Letter:

"...The Maine Forest Service will be responsible enforcement of the rules for timber harvesting and related activities in shoreland areas beginning on January 1, 2013. No action is required on the part of your municipality, except that on that date that your municipality may remove all references related to timber harvesting with the shoreland zone, including the timber harvesting standards, from your local ordinance in order to eliminate confusion. In its place a note may be added that directs people to the Maine Forest Service for information on timber harvesting and related activities in shoreland areas."

More information on statewide standards can be found on the Maine Forestry Service website at: maine.gov/doc/mfs/fpm/swstds/sws.html

Therefore the following provisions are repealed from Canaan's Shoreland Zoning Ordinance:

- Section 14. Table of Land Uses, Item 3 (Forest management activities except for timber harvesting), Item 4 (Timber harvesting), and Item 27 (Land management roads);
- Section 15(O), Timber Harvesting, in its entirety; and
- Section 17. Definitions, The definitions of "forest management activities", "land management roads", "skid trail", "slash" and "residual basal area".

Canaan's Maine Forest Service contact for assistance with statewide standards administration and enforcement is District Forester Patty Cornier (207) 592-2238.