

Maine Forest Service Rulemaking Proposal - Amendment to Statewide Standards for Timber Harvesting and Related Activities in Shoreland Areas

AGENCY: 01-669 - Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Bureau of Forestry (Maine Forest Service)

CHAPTER NUMBER AND TITLE: Ch. 21, Statewide Standards for Timber Harvesting and Related Activities in Shoreland Areas

BCC to multiple parties

PROPOSED RULE NUMBER: 2015-P001

BRIEF SUMMARY: The Maine Department of Environmental Protection is delegating permit granting authority to the Bureau of Forestry (Maine Forest Service) for timber harvesting and related activities regulated under the Natural Resources Protection Act (NRPA). This rule-making will amend Maine Forest Service Ch. 21 "Statewide Standards for Timber Harvesting and Related Activities in Shore land Areas" to incorporate the permitting process and reconcile differences between NRPA water crossing standards and standards in Ch. 21. It also clarifies which activities are considered timber harvesting and which are not when vegetation is removed in proximity of existing development. To obtain a copy of the proposed rule contact Patti Roberts, Maine Forest Service, 22 State House Station, Augusta ME 04333.

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PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Farmington: February 3rd 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in Farmington at the University of Maine - Farmington, Olsen Student Center, Dining Hall Section C

Bangor: February 4th 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in Bangor at the Bangor Motor Inn 701 Hogan Road, Bangor

COMMENT DEADLINE: Monday February 16th 5:00 p.m.

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IMPACT ON MUNICIPALITIES OR COUNTIES: None.