

Maine Land Use Planning Commission

Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry



BASIS STATEMENT AND SUMMARY OF COMMENTS FOR THE REPEAL OF CHAPTER 3 – DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO STAFF, REPEAL AND REPLACEMENT OF CHAPTER 4 – RULES OF PRACTICE, AND AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 5 - RULES FOR THE CONDUCT OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

August 11, 2021

STATUTORY AUTHORITY

12 M.R.S. § 684, 685-B(1-B), and 685-C(5)

FACTUAL AND POLICY BASIS FOR THE RULE AMENDMENT

The revisions collectively improve user convenience by consolidating or reorganizing provisions without changing their regulatory effect, and revise visual characteristics to simplify or otherwise clarify each rule. All other revisions represent typical rule maintenance.

PUBLIC NOTICE OF RULEMAKING

At a virtual meeting conducted on May 12, 2021 via Microsoft Teams, the Commission voted to post the proposed 2021 Multi-chapter Rulemaking – Part II revisions to a public comment period. Legal notice was posted in the State’s consolidated Weekly Rulemaking Notice on May 26, 2021. In addition to the legal notice, the Commission posted notice by e-mail through the State’s GovDelivery system to all individuals wishing to be contacted regarding any proposed rule changes. Notice of the proposed revisions was also posted on the agency’s rulemaking webpage.

The comment deadline was July 12, 2021 to allow interested persons to file written statements with the Commission, and for an additional 14 days until July 26, 2021 to allow interested persons to file written rebuttal comments.

COMMENTS AND RESPONSES:

No comments were submitted.