

DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION LAND USE REGULATION COMMISSION 18 ELKINS LANE – HARLOW BUILDING 22 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, ME 04333-0022



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Memorandum

January 18, 2007

TO: Interested Parties

FROM: Agnieszka Pinette, Senior Planner, Land Use Regulation Commission.

SUBJECT: Change in public hearing schedule related to Plum Creek's Concept Plan proposal

for the Moosehead Lake region.

On January 17, 2007, the Land Use Regulation Commission received a letter from Plum Creek's legal counsel, Virginia E. Davis, stating the following:

"As you know, Plum Creek has been meeting with representatives from numerous state and federal agencies and with other stakeholders. We also have been meeting with LURC staff and consultants, reviewing comments from the public and information in the administrative record. The purpose of this letter is to advise you that, based upon that review and analysis, Plum Creek is contemplating amending its proposed Plan. I anticipate that by late January, Plum Creek will have identified the specific changes it is proposing and be prepared to provide additional information to you and the public.

Plum Creek believes that the Commission, other governmental agencies and the public should have adequate time to review any proposed changes. Plum Creek, therefore, respectfully requests that the hearings scheduled to begin May 19, 2007 be rescheduled."

A copy of this correspondence has been posted on LURC's web site (www.maine.gov/doc/lurc/reference/resourceplans/moosehead.html) and is available for viewing at LURC's main office in Augusta (please call 207-287-2631 for an appointment).

Based on this information and Plum Creek's request, LURC has suspended the schedule for public hearings related to this proposal, and the February 14, 2007, deadline for seeking intervenor status has been cancelled. Once LURC staff receives additional information regarding the specific changes that Plum Creek is contemplating, LURC staff will recommend to the Commission a revised hearing schedule, which will include a postponement of the hearings previously scheduled to begin on May 19, 2007, and a new deadline for seeking intervenor status. Interested parties will be notified as to when this recommendation will be presented to the Commission, and the contents thereof.