February 21, 2002

Maine Board of Pesticides Control
28 State House Station
Augusta ME 04333-0028

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed you will find a copy of Shoreland Zoning Ordinance that the Town of Standish adopted on February 12, 2002. The ordinance has gone through Planning Board Review and the Planning Board Public Hearing. The Public Hearing for the Town’s legislative process was on February 12, 2002 with the ordinance becoming effective 45 days later.

As required enclosed you will find a copy of the entire ordinance for review, specifically, Section 237-15 F (4) on page 12, prohibits the storage of chemicals, including herbicides, pesticides other than amounts normally associated with individual households or farms.

I believe that this meets the Department’s Guideline for requirements. If you need any additional information, please contact our office.

Sincerely,

Mary Chapman
Town Clerk
237-15. **Land Use Standards.** All land use activities within the shoreland zone shall conform with the following provisions, if applicable.

**A. Minimum Lot Standards.**

(1) The minimum size of any lot, located partially or completely within the Shoreland Development and Water Oriented Commercial Districts, shall be equal to or greater than the minimum lot size for the underlying zone as specified in Chapter 181, Land Use.

(2) The minimum lot size in the Stream Protection and Resource Protection Districts shall be three (3) acres.

(3) The minimum shore frontage requirement in all districts within the Shoreland Zone shall be as follows:

   (a) For residential uses: two hundred (200) feet per dwelling unit.
   
   (b) For governmental, institutional, commercial or industrial uses the required shore frontage shall be three hundred (300) feet per principal structure.
   
   (c) For public and private recreational facilities: two hundred (200) feet.

(4) Land below the normal high-water line of a water body or upland edge of a wetland and land beneath roads serving more than two (2) lots shall not be included toward calculating minimum lot area.

(5) Lots located on opposite sides of a public or private road shall be considered each a separate tract or parcel of land unless such road was established by the owner of land on both sides thereof after September 22, 1971.

(6) The minimum width of any portion of any lot within one hundred (100) feet, horizontal distance, of the normal high-water line of a water body or upland edge of a wetland shall be equal to or greater than the required width for the underlying zone.

(7) If more than one residential dwelling unit or more than one principal commercial or industrial structure is constructed on a single parcel, all dimensional requirements shall be met for each additional dwelling unit or principal structure.

**B. Principal and Accessory Structures.**

(1) All new principal and accessory structures shall be set back at least one hundred (100) feet from the normal high-water line of great ponds and rivers, and seventy-five (75) feet from the normal high-water line of other water bodies, tributary streams, or the upland edge of a wetland.22

In addition, the water body or wetland setback provision shall neither apply to structures which require direct access to the water as an operational necessity, such as piers, docks and retaining walls, nor to other functionally water-dependent uses.
(2) Principal or accessory structures and expansions of existing structures which are permitted in the Resource Protection, Shoreland Development and Stream Protection Districts, shall not exceed thirty-five (35) feet in height. This provision shall not apply to structures such as transmission towers, windmills, antennas, and similar structures having no floor area.

(3) The first floor elevation or openings of all buildings and structures including basements shall be elevated at least one foot above the elevation of the 100 year flood, the flood of record, or in the absence of these, the flood as defined by soil types identified as recent flood plain soils.

(4) The total area of all structures, parking lots and other non-vegetated surfaces, within the shoreland zone shall not exceed twenty (20) percent of the lot or a portion thereof, located within the shoreland zone, including land area previously developed.

(5) Notwithstanding the requirements stated above, stairways or similar structures may be allowed with a permit from the Code Enforcement Officer, to provide shoreline access in areas of steep slopes or unstable soils provided: that the structure is limited to a maximum of four (4) feet in width; that the structure does not extend below or over the normal high-water line of a water body or upland edge of a wetland, (unless permitted by the Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to the Natural Resources Protection Act, Title 38, Section 480-C); and that the applicant demonstrates that no reasonable access alternative exists on the property.

C. Piers, Docks, Wharves, Bridges and Other Structures and Uses Extending Over or Beyond the Normal High-Water Line of a Water Body or Within a Wetland.

(1) Access from shore shall be developed on soils appropriate for such use and constructed so as to control erosion.

(2) The location shall not interfere with existing developed or natural beach areas.

(3) The facility shall be located so as to minimize adverse effects on fisheries.

(4) The facility shall be no larger in dimension than necessary to carry on the activity and be consistent with existing conditions, use, and character of the area.

(5) No new structure shall be built on, over or abutting a pier, wharf, dock or other structure extending beyond the normal high-water line of a water body or within a wetland unless the structure requires direct access to the water as an operational necessity.

(6) No existing structures built on, over or abutting a pier, dock, wharf or other structure extending beyond the normal high-water line of a water body or within a wetland shall be converted to residential dwelling units in any district.

(7) Except in the WOC District, structures built on, over or abutting a pier, wharf, dock or other structure extending beyond the normal high-water line of a water body or within a wetland shall not exceed twenty (20) feet in height above the pier, wharf, dock or other structure.
D. Campgrounds. Campgrounds shall conform to the minimum requirements imposed under State licensing procedures and the following:

1) Campgrounds shall contain a minimum of five thousand (5,000) square feet of land, not including roads and driveways, for each site. Land supporting wetland vegetation, and land below the normal high-water line of a water body shall not be included in calculating land area per site.

2) The areas intended for placement of a recreational vehicle, tent or shelter, and utility and service buildings shall be set back a minimum of one hundred (100) feet from the normal high-water line of a great pond or a river and seventy-five (75) feet from the normal high-water line of other water bodies, tributary streams, or the upland edge of a wetland.

E. Individual-Private Campsites. Individual, private campsites not associated with campgrounds are permitted provided the following conditions are met:

1) One campsite per lot existing on the effective date of this Ordinance, or thirty thousand (30,000) square feet of lot area within the shoreland zone, whichever is less, may be permitted.

2) Campsite placement on any lot, including the area intended for a recreational vehicle or tent platform, shall be set back one hundred (100) feet from the normal high-water line of a great pond or river and seventy-five (75) feet from the normal high-water line of other water bodies, tributary streams, or the upland edge of a wetland.

3) Recreational vehicles shall not be located on any type of permanent foundation except for a gravel pad, and no structure(s) except canopies shall be attached to the recreational vehicle.

4) The clearing of vegetation for the siting of the recreational vehicle, tent or similar shelter in a Resource Protection District shall be limited to one thousand (1000) square feet.

5) A written sewage disposal plan describing the proposed method and location of sewage disposal shall be required for each campsite and shall be approved by the Local Plumbing Inspector. Where disposal is off-site, written authorization from the receiving facility or landowner is required.

6) When a recreational vehicle, tent or similar shelter is placed on-site for more than one hundred and twenty (120) days per year, all requirements for residential structures shall be met, including the installation of a subsurface sewage disposal system in compliance with the State of Maine Subsurface Wastewater Disposal Rules unless served by public sewage facilities.

F. Commercial and Industrial Uses. The following new commercial and industrial uses are prohibited within the shoreland zone adjacent to great ponds streams which flow to great ponds and rivers:

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(1) Auto washing facilities

(2) Auto or other vehicle service and/or repair operations, including body shops

(3) Chemical and bacteriological laboratories

(4) Storage of chemicals, including herbicides, pesticides or fertilizers other than amounts normally associated with individual households or farms

(5) Commercial painting, wood preserving, and furniture stripping

(6) Dry cleaning establishments

(7) Electronic circuit assembly

(8) Laundromats, unless connected to a sanitary sewer

(9) Metal plating, finishing, or polishing

(10) Petroleum or petroleum product storage and/or sale except storage on same property as use occurs and except for storage and sales associated with marinas

(11) Photographic processing

(12) Printing

(13) Animal Husbandry

(14) Cemeteries

(15) Commercial wood processing

(16) Motor vehicle sales

(17) Airports

(18) Salvage Yards

**G. Parking Areas.**

(1) Parking areas shall meet the shoreline setback requirements for structures for the district in which such areas are located. The setback requirement for parking areas serving public boat launching facilities, in districts other than the SD and WOC Districts may be reduced to no less than fifty (50) feet from the normal high-water line or upland edge of a wetland if the Planning Board finds that no other reasonable alternative exists.

(2) Parking areas shall be adequately sized for the proposed use and shall be designed to prevent stormwater runoff from flowing directly into a water body, and where feasible, to retain all runoff on-site.

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