Kathleen Leyden
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RE: Requested Routine Program Changes to Maine Coastal Program

Dear Ms. Leyden:

Thank you for your request for Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management (OCRM) approval to incorporate Public Laws containing revisions and clarifications to the State's core authorities used to implement Maine's coastal management program. OCRM has reviewed all of the corresponding information and concurs that incorporation of these revisions into the State's program constitutes a routine program change and not an amendment.

The public laws that clarify or otherwise amend the State's core laws include:

PL 1999 c. 277;  PL 1999 c. 278;  PL 1999 c. 283;
PL 1999 c. 289;  PL 1999 c. 297;  PL 1999 c. 298;
PL 1999 c. 316;  PL 1999 c. 333;  PL 1999 c. 334;
PL 1999 c. 340;  PL 1999 c. 348;  PL 1999 c. 370;
PL 1999 c. 375;  PL 1999 c. 387;  PL 1999 c. 393;
PL 1999 c. 401, Sections BB17 and BB18;  PL 1999 c. 468;  PL 1999 c. 500;
PL 1999 c. 525;  PL 1999 c. 530, Section 8.

In accordance with NOAA regulations at 15 C.F.R. § 923.84 (b) (4) (C), Federal consistency will apply to these authorities after Maine publishes notice of our approval. If you have any questions, please contact the coastal management specialist, Joelle Gore, at (301) 713-3117, extension 177, or our Federal Consistency Coordinator, David Kaiser, at (301) 713-3098, extension 144.

Sincerely,

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Chief, Coastal Programs