

March 3, 2014

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

This is a follow up to my correspondence to you of February 15, 2014.

Attached is correspondence from me on SHORELAND BILL ISSUES.

It has comments on some new matters as well as on some former ones.

The new ones include but are not limited to:

CONCERNING the maintenance exemption not including all existing open areas as I understand both the Maine and New Hampshire shoreland laws do; and

CONCERNING the guideline in the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation's "Best Management Practices for Lakeshore Vegetation" that says not more than 40% of the 150 foot portion of the protected shoreland area away from a lake should be cleared area, since that appears to be in direct contradiction to the Bill's provision saying "no more than 40 percent of the protected shoreland area of the parcel shall consist of cleared area". Under the Bill, to the extent one had less than 40% cleared area within 100 feet of mean water level, you could have more than 40% cleared area in the other 150 feet -- - as long as the total was no more than 40% of the protected shoreland area of the parcel. One of the great unknowns is what vegetative cover management requirements are to be established for the 150 foot portion and said guideline should not be one of them.

Thank you for taking the time to read and consider these matters. I am willing to discuss with you and have been hoping to get some feedback on what is going on. If you wish to e-mail me, please also call me (tel. no. 802-758-2546) to let me know you have done so, in order for me to know more quickly that there is an e-mail.

Respectfully,

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