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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED CONCEPT PLAN FOR PLUM CREEK'S LAND IN THE MOOSEHEAD LAKE REGION, ZP 707 PISCATAQUIS AND SOMERSET COUNTIES, MAINE

PURPOSE: The Land Use Regulation Commission is seeking public comment on the petition to implement a proposed *Concept Plan for Plum Creek's Lands in the Moosehead Lake Region (ZP 707)*. The Commission received amendments to this Petition on April 27, 2007. The amended Petition was conditionally accepted for processing on May 18, 2007.

The purpose of the hearing on this Petition is to allow the applicant, interested groups and the general public the opportunity to present testimony and evidence as to whether the applicant's proposal meets the statutory criteria for approval under provisions of 12 M.R.S.A. 685-A(8-A) and Section 10.23,H of the Commission's rules.

TIME AND PLACE: Final dates and locations for the hearing have not been set. Dates and locations will be established in a subsequent public notice to appear in various state newspapers and on the Commission's web site (www.maine.gov/doc/lurc). The hearing is tentatively expected to begin no sooner than late October 2007.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE: All interested persons are invited to attend and offer testimony which would have a bearing on this proposal. The public is not required to submit written testimony before the hearing, nor file Petitions to Intervene, in order to testify. Members of the public may simply attend the hearing and give oral testimony during designated portions of the proceeding.

PETITIONS TO INTERVENE: *The Commission chair has set a deadline of 5:00 P.M. on Wednesday, June 20, 2007, for persons interested in seeking Intervenor status in this matter to file a **Petition to Intervene** with the Commission pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Maine Administrative Procedures Act 5 M.R.S.A. Chapter 375, and Chapter 5 of the Commission's rules (on the web: www.maine.gov/doc/lurc/reference/rulechapters/ch05.pdf). The Commission will act on any such petitions at its meeting of Wednesday, July 11, 2007. The public is not required to file Petitions to Intervene in order to testify.*

Closing dates for the hearing record will be established in a subsequent public notice. Written comments should be sent to the Land Use Regulation Commission, 22 State House Station, Augusta, Maine, 04333-0022. Comments may also be submitted via e-mail to LURC@maine.gov.

DISABILITIES: Persons with disabilities planning to attend the hearing are requested to inform the Commission in advance so that arrangements can be made for services they may require.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: A full copy of the Petition may be viewed at the Commission's main office at 18 Elkins Lane, Harlow Building, Augusta, Maine. To view the petition at the Augusta office, call the office in advance at 207-287-2631. A copy may also be viewed at the agency's web site at www.maine.gov/doc/lurc and at several public viewing sites in the Moosehead Lake region (locations are listed on the agency's web site). Persons having questions may contact LURC (call 207-287-2631 or e-mail LURC@maine.gov).

LEGAL AUTHORITY: The hearing will be held under authority of 12 M.R.S.A., Chapter 206-A and will be conducted in accordance with the Commission's Rules for the Conduct of Public Hearings.