

Ledyard Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission

RE: Application to amend regulations.

I apologize for not being here, I have a meeting in another town.

I have reviewed the proposed amendments.

Regarding modification to Section 2.1

Regulated Activity: Any clearing etc within 100 feet...from any wetland...is a regulated activity.

How is this going to be regulated/administered. Many properties in town have wetlands/are adjacent to or near wetlands or what someone may think are wetlands, does this mean that any time a homeowner wants to do some clearing, or any other activity, they need to file a full blown wetlands application, and if they do not and a neighbor reports them, then what? Is town prepared to hire additional staff to manage what could be hundreds of applications to enforce this? And when does existing town staff have time to review all potential activities?

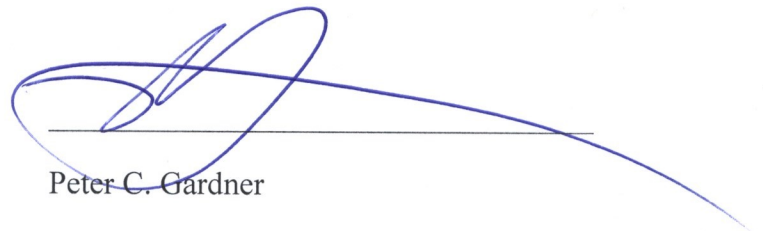
Regarding modification to Section 7.5b

Sewage/Septic systems/treatment plants are all regulated by either the local health district or DEEP. They determine impacts, the IWWC should not be involved in regulating something that already has professionals reviewing applications.

Modifying Section 7.8

Why does it have to be permit holder (and what is that) what if property sold without what was permitted being completed? If it is more than ten years, is a whole new application required?

Modying Section 11.6, what is Section 8-3, 8-25, 8-26



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