## Appendix 4

## Maine Natural Areas Program Review

#### **MNAP Review**

This lot has been evaluated by both the Maine Natural Areas Program and the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife (See report included in an appendix). There are a few important habitats that we need to consider in our management planning process. First, this parcel abuts Inland Waterfowl and Wading Bird Habitat. There is also a deer wintering Area to the west and South of the property, and New England Cottontail (Sylvilagus transitionalis) to the west.

All need to be considered in the management planning process, but the New England Cottontail is the most significant as it is listed as an S2 species by the State of Maine and is globally listed as a G3 (globally rare) species. We will work in conjunction with the Regional Biologist from the Department in Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to further understand these critical habitats and to develop appropriate management guidelines.



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PATRICK K. MCGOWAN

June 24, 2008

Jay Braunscheidel Integrated Forest Management 1071-D Auburn Road Turner, ME 04282

Re: Forest Management Plan Review

Dear Mr. Braunscheidel:

I have searched the Maine Natural Areas Program's (MNAP) files in response to your request of June 24, 2008 for information on the presence of important habitats documented from the vicinity of the Rines Forest parcel in Cumberland, Maine.

For individual parcel reviews, we have started using a simple checklist that summarizes our findings. The checklist includes our review of several data sets, some of which are maintained by MNAP and others that are maintained by the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife (MDIFW). If a parcel intersects with a data set maintained by MDIFW, please contact the appropriate regional biologist indicated on the checklist for additional information. This parcel abuts Inland Waterfowl and Wading Bird Habitat. There is Deer Wintering Area to the east and south and a rare animal, the New England Cottontail, to the west.

Thank you for using the MNAP in the forest management planning process. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have further questions about the MNAP or about important habitats at this site.

Sincerely,

Douglas Suitor

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Enclosures

cc: Scott G. Lindsay, MDIFW Regional Biologist

### MNAP Forestry Notification and Forest Management Plan Checklist

Date Received: June 24, 2008				Designated Agent:				
Landowner: Rines Forest				Licensed Forester: Jay Braunscheidel				
Harvester:				Notification #:				
Town: Cumberland				County: Cumberland				
Have Rare, Threatened and/or Endangered Plants been documented to			nted to o	ccur at site? Yes No		⊠ No		
Have Rare and/or Exemplary Natural Communities been documented t				occur at site	site? Yes No		⊠ No	
Have Rare, Threatened and/or Endangered Animals been documented t (If yes, contact MDIFW regional biologist, Scott G. Lindsay 657-2345)				occur at site	? ⊠	⊠ Yes □ No		
Have MDIFW Significant Habitats been documented to occur at site? (If yes, contact MDIFW regional biologist, Scott G. Lindsay 657-2345)					$\boxtimes$	Yes No		
Does the parcel intersect with Atlantic salmon habitat? (If yes, please contact the Atlantic Salmon Commission for potential impacts.)				<ul> <li>Yes, within salmon watershed</li> <li>Yes, adjacent to spawning habitat</li> <li>Yes, adjacent to rearing habitat</li> <li>No</li> </ul>				
Does the parcel occur in a to (If yes, please contact Mark Maine Dept. of Inland Fish Augusta, ME 04333)  Summary List of Known	k Stadler,Director of Wildl eries and Wildlife, 41 Stat	ife Divisio e House S	on,			Yes	⊠ No	
Feature Name	Common Name	Last Seen	SRank	GRank	EO Rank	Conservation Considerations		
Sylvilagus transitionalis	New England Cottontail	1998	S2	G3		To west of site		
Inland Waterfowl and Wading Bird Habitat	*					Abuts site to north		
Deer Wintering Area						To south and east of site		*****
Does parcel intersect with MNAP land trust focus area? Comments:			<del>-  </del>		Yes	⊠ No		
Has parcel been targeted by MNAP for inventory? Comments:						Yes	⊠ No	
Initial review completed by: DGS Date: 06/24/2008 Time spent: 20 min.		Additional review completed by N Reviewer: Date:			y MNAI	NAP or IFW staff (circle one): Time spent:		

