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John Filchak, Executive Director Northeastern Connecticut Council of Governments P.O. Box 759 Dayville, CT 06241-0759

RE: Proposed Chaplin Zoning Regulation Amendments- Section 8.11 Logging operations

Dear Mr. Filchak,

In accordance with the Connecticut General Statutes, Section 8-3(b) please find the enclosed draft of revisions to section 8.11 of the Chaplin Zoning Regulations for your review and comment. These revisions have been proposed by the Chaplin Planning & Zoning Commission, to satisfy a request from the CT DEEP, to ensure consistency with the Connecticut General Statutes.

A public hearing date of July 11, 2024 has been set.

Please forward any comments you may have on the proposed revisions to the following address:

Chaplin Planning & Zoning Commission Chaplin Town Hall 495 Phoenixville Road, Chaplin, CT 06235

Or by email: zoningofficer@chaplinct.org

I have attached the proposed revisions to the various sections of the regulations, as well as a revised fee schedule. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (860) 455-0073, or by email at zoningofficer@chaplinct.org

Sincerely,

Jay Gigliotti

Jay Gigliotti Zoning Enforcement Officer Town of Chaplin 8.11 Logging Temporary Commercial and/or Industrial Operations [Revised effective 3/1/18] Revised Effective:

A. Intent:

This regulation is adopted to protect the roads and infrastructure of Chaplin. Nothing herein shall be construed as, and is not intended to regulatinge the forest practices pursuant to CGS § 23-65k.

B. Permits

A logger-commercial operator, trucker, or a-landowner shall post a performance bond with the Commission or its agent, and supply the information requested on a form provided by the Commission or its agent, before beginning anyd temporary commercial and/or industrial logger operations on such landowner's land, which would entail trucks and/or logging trucks, commercial vehicles and/or heavy equipment using town roads. Temporary commercial and/or industrial operations shall include all non-permanent operations which involve commercial truck and/or heavy equipment traffic between the landowner's land and any Town road, such as earth excavation, earth product processing, logging, heavy construction, and similar uses.

The performance bond may be in the form of a letter of credit, surety bond or cash deposit and shall be in an amount set by the commission sufficient to cover the cost of repairing any damage to town roads and infrastructure caused by the commercial logging operation and not timely repaired by the logger operator, trucker, or landowner. Any assessment of such damage shall be made by the Commission or its agent upon the completion of the logging commercial and/or industrial operation and paid out of the bond funds. Whomever posts the bond shall also be liable for any damage to Town roads or infrastructure caused by the logging commercial and/or industrial operation even if the cost of repairing such damage exceeds the amount of the bond.