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Ms. Kathleen Leyden  
 Director  
 Maine Coastal Program  
 State Planning Office  
 State House Station 38  
 184 State Street  
 Augusta, ME 04333-0038

Dear Ms. Leyden:

Thank you for the Maine State Planning Office's August 25, 2006, request that changes to Maine's Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) Chapter 335 Rules pursuant to the Natural Resource Protection Act (NRPA) be incorporated into the Maine Coastal Program. You requested that changes to the rules described below be incorporated as routine program changes (RPCs) pursuant to Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA) regulations at 15 C.F.R. part 923, subpart H and Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management (OCRM) Program Change Guidance (July 1996). OCRM received the request on September 5, 2006, and OCRM's decision deadline was extended until January 3, 2007.

Based on our review of your submission, we concur that the changes to the Coastal Sand Dune Rules are RPCs and we approve the incorporation of the changes as enforceable policies of the Maine Coastal Program. Federal Consistency will apply to the approved changes only after you publish notice of this approval pursuant to 15 C.F.R. § 923.84(b)(4). Please include in the public notice the list of changes to enforceable policies provided in this letter, and please send a copy of the notice to OCRM.

**SECTIONS APPROVED**

<i>Name/Description of State Law/Regulation/Policy Added or Removed from CMP (all sections are added to CMP unless noted otherwise)</i>	<i>State Legal Citation</i>	<i>Date Adopted by State</i>	<i>Date Effective in State</i>
DEP Rules, Chapter 335, all Sections:	38 MRSA Sections 480-A through 480-Z	04/20/2006	06/08/2006

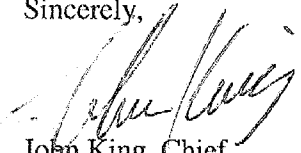


PUBLIC AND FEDERAL AGENCY COMMENTS

OCRM received no comments on this RPC submission.

Thank you for your cooperation in this review. Please contact Bill O'Beirne at (301)713-3155 extension 160, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John King", written in a cursive style.

John King, Chief  
Coastal Programs Division