

DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

As a result of the current state of the ongoing COVID-19 (Coronavirus) pandemic, the Commission declares an emergency through 1 M.R.S. § 403-B and the Commission's Remote Meeting Policy due to the potential public health consequences of meeting in person. The Secretary of Health and Human Services of the United States Department of Health and Human Services has determined, as of July 19, 2021, that there exists a Public Health Emergency due to the ongoing Coronavirus pandemic. The Commission must meet monthly to review permit applications for development in the Saco River Corridor and holds meetings in Cumberland, York, or Oxford County. In light of the rate of Covid-19 transmission within these counties, which are all currently rated as containing either "high" or "medium" community levels by the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, as well as the continued spread of the Delta variant within these counties, the Commission considers there to be an emergency or urgent issue which requires the public body to meet by remote means. This is a temporary declaration of emergency that will lapse in 90 days.

Dated: 5/26/22

May 26, 2022

Signed: Ben Pinault

Benjamin Pinault, Chairperson