Rule-Making Fact Sheet

(5 MRSA §8057-A)

AGENCY: **01-672 Maine Land Use Planning Commission**, Department of Agriculture, Conservation & Forestry

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CHAPTER NUMBER AND RULE TITLE: Chapter 2, Definitions and Chapter 10, Land Use Districts and Standards

TYPE OF RULE (check one):XRoutine TechnicalIMajor Substantive

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 12 M.R.S. §§ 685-A(3); 685-A(7-A); and 685-C(5)

DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF PUBLIC HEARING:

Not applicable; a public hearing has not been scheduled.

COMMENT DEADLINE:

Written comments must be submitted on or prior to Monday, August 4, 2025; Written rebuttal comments must be submitted on or prior to Monday, August 11, 2025.

PRINCIPAL REASON(S) OR PURPOSE FOR PROPOSING THIS RULE: [see §8057-A(1)(A)&(C)]

The Maine Land Use Planning Commission is proposing miscellaneous revisions to Chapter 2 and Chapter 10. The proposed revisions include replacing an existing definition of "campsite" with "minor campground" in Chapter 2 to align with recent statutory changes, and creation of a new definition of "campsite" to maintain continuity with the Commission's other existing rules. The proposed revisions would also change the deadline for filing a development permit following establishment of a Planned Development (D-PD) or Planned Recreational Facility Development (D-PR) subdistrict from 18 months to 5 years to allow for better planning outcomes. Three documents incorporated by reference would be updated to more recent available versions, and the rule changes would clarify how the public can access these documents. Other proposed changes would improve rule alignment with other recent changes to the LUPC statute and rules, and would improve formatting, consistency, clarity, and readability. All proposed revisions are routine in nature.

IS MATERIAL INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE IN THE RULE? X YES NO [§8056(1)(B)]

ANALYSIS AND EXPECTED OPERATION OF THE RULE: [see §8057-A(1)(B)&(D)]

The proposed revisions will align the rules with current statute and improve the ability of staff and the public to understand and implement the rules. The proposed changes to permit requirements in Planned Development (D-PD) and Planned Recreational Facility Development (D-PR) subdistricts will allow more time for better planning outcomes. Updating documents incorporated by reference to more recent versions will improve the accuracy of the materials referenced, and the proposed rule changes will also improve the public's ability to access these documents.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF RELEVANT INFORMATION CONSIDERED DURING DEVELOPMENT OF THE RULE (including up to 3 primary sources relied upon) [*see* §§8057-A(1)(E) & 8063-B]

Staff relied upon the agency's historical permitting data, existing agency rules, feedback from applicants, and the professional judgment of agency staff and board members.

Revisions will not have a fiscal impact.

FOR EXISTING RULES WITH FISCAL IMPACT OF \$1 MILLION OR MORE, ALSO INCLUDE:

ECONOMIC IMPACT, WHETHER OR NOT QUANTIFIABLE IN MONETARY TERMS: [see §8057-A(2)(A)]

INDIVIDUALS, MAJOR INTEREST GROUPS AND TYPES OF BUSINESSES AFFECTED AND HOW THEY WILL BE AFFECTED: [*see* §8057-A(2)(B)]

BENEFITS OF THE RULE: [see §8057-A(2)(C)]

Note: If necessary, additional pages may be used.