TOWN OF RANGELEY

Pesticide Ordinance

SUMMARY:

Pursuant to the Revised Statutes of the State of Maine, as amended, 22 MRSA 1471-U and 1471-V, the Rangeley municipal ordinance for control of pesticides became void and of no effect after December 31, 1988, so that, as of that date, the only regulations for pesticide control in effect in Rangeley are the Pesticide Regulations for the State of Maine. The following ordinance adopts regulations for Rangeley.

ORDINANCE:

The Town of Rangeley enacts this Pesticide Ordinance to adopt the Pesticide Regulations of the State of Maine and the following regulations supplementary to the Pesticide Regulations of the State of Maine. The term "Pesticide" includes and is limited to pesticides regulated by the State of Maine.

Section 1. Drift Management Plan

Any party who plans to apply pesticides by powered equipment to an area of 2 acres or greater shall submit a drift management plan to the Selectmen for approval. The drift management plan will describe the methods proposed for compliance with the requirements of Chapter 22 of the Pesticide Regulations promulgated by the Board of Pesticides Control, Maine Department of Agriculture.

Section 2. Notification

Any party who plans to apply pesticides by powered equipment to an area of 2 acres or greater shall notify all landowners within 500 feet of the perimeter of the area to be treated. The method of notification shall comply with the regulations set forth in Section 6C-I of Chapter 22 of the state Pesticide Regulations.

Section 3. Pesticide Control Officer

The Selectmen of the Town of Rangeley shall appoint a Pesticide Control Officer. The duties of the Pesticide Control Officer shall be to monitor compliance with the requirements for drift management plans and notification as set forth herein. The Pesticide Control Officer shall cooperate with State Officials to promote compliance with the state Pesticide Regulations.

Section 4. Restricted Area

Within one-half of a mile of the intersection of Main St. and Pleasant St., there shall be no spraying of pesticides by powered equipment except by special permission of the Selectmen. If such special permission is granted, operating requirements more stringent than State regulations may be set by the Selectmen.

Section 5. Amendments, Validity and Severability

This ordinance may be amended by a Town Meeting of the Town of Rangeley, legally warned, called and conducted. The provisions of this ordinance are severable. Should any section of this ordinance be declared by any court to be invalid, such decision shall not invalidate any other section or provision.

Section 6. Effective Date

The effective date of this ordinance is the date on which it shall have received any required approval from a State entity and is affirmatively voted at Town Meeting. Unless otherwise ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction, this ordinance shall remain in effect until terminated or amended by majority vote of a Town Meeting.