

Naples, Maine 693-3831

November 15, 2021

Re: Don & Linda Buteau Property

To Whom It May Concern;

Earlier this year, I met with the property owner, Don Buteau, about removing 2 storm-damaged trees and 1 dead pine tree outside of the 100-foot zone. We also discussed tree removal for an upcoming project within the 100-foot shoreland zone which, I was told by the property owner that the project, including the tree removal, was covered under a D.E.P. permit obtained by his contractor.

I later took a crew to the site to take down approximately 8-10 large trees within the 100-foot zone. Each of these trees were either partially dead or undermined by wave action, and it seemed perfectly reasonable to take them down as a part of a proposed larger project. Only a minimal number of small trees and saplings were cut to allow us access to remove the larger trees that had been undermined. We did not cut and/or remove any ground cover or underbrush.

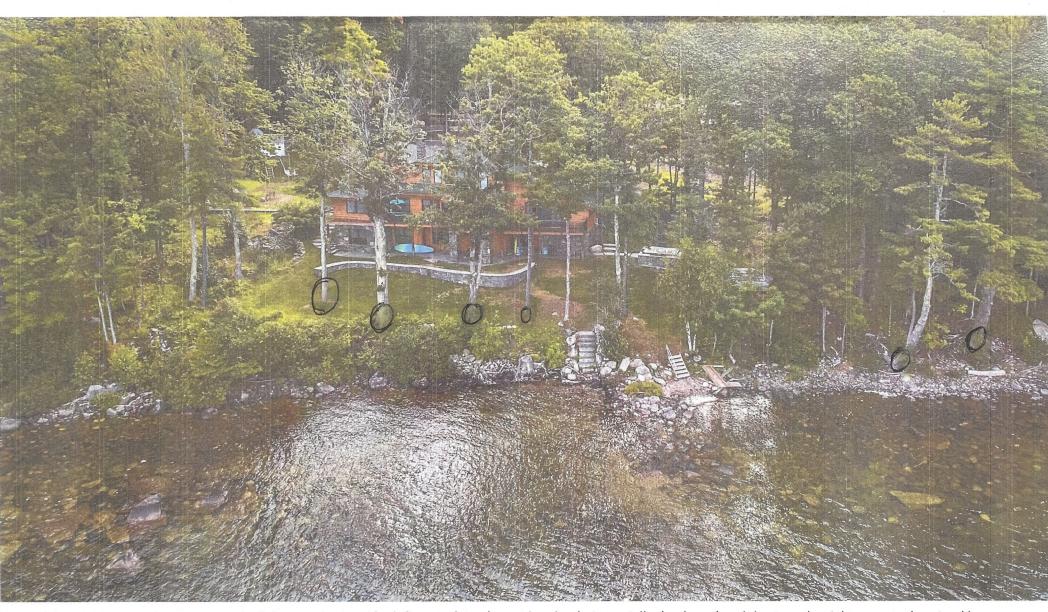
We are now told that the contractor's permit was not adequate to cover all the work at the site, possibly including some or all of the tree removal that we did. We plan to use this as a learning experience, and in the future, always require positive proof that adequate permits have been pulled that will cover any work that we are asked to do.

Sincerely, Claim Gresselli

Aaron Gosselin

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We did remove the 6 trees marked above. The 4 on the left were dying (as evident by their partially dead tops) and the 2 on the right were undermined by wave action. We also removed 2 additional undermined trees that were to the right of those shown in the photo and possibly 1 or 2 others that we cannot identify in the photo. We did not remove any of the underbrush or small trees, shown in the photo, along the lake.