15 REGIONAL COORDINATION

Due to its natural geography as a long peninsula, the Town of St. George tends to be somewhat isolated from regional activities. Its closest neighbor the Town of South Thomaston. Rockland serves at the regional service center, although several large stores are located in Thomaston. St. George is also connected to the Monhegan Island through the ferry service out of Port Clyde. However, the Plan does contain several goals and strategies which deal with regional coordination. Please refer to those specific items for more detail.

Generally, St. George's regional coordination program consists of a number of components as follows:

- Mutual aid for fire and EMS long standing agreements to assist one another where and when needed.
- Sharing of training resources for fire and EMS services
- Georges River Regional Shellfish Management Ordinance an interlocal agreement between the towns of Cushing, Warren, Thomaston, South Thomaston and St George to manage the clam resources.
- Pooling of resources among municipalities to make bulk purchases.
- Sharing of resources such as one-of-a-kind pieces of equipment.
- Knox County Regional Communication Center (KCRCC) dispatch

In addition, a copy of the Town's draft Comprehensive Plan will be sent to the Town of South Thomaston, with a cover letter explaining the process and requesting comments and suggestions. A copy will also be sent to the Mid-Coast Regional Planning Office for review and comment. The Comprehensive Plan Committee will review the policies established by the Mid-Coast Regional Planning Commission and recommend Plan amendments where appropriate.