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Richard Bates, Chairperson, Select Board Joshua McPhail, Comprehensive Planning Committee Town of St. George 3 School Street / PO Box 131 Tenants Harbor, ME 04860

Dear Mr. Bates and Mr. McPhail

The Department of Agriculture, Conservation & Forestry thanks the Town of St. George for submitting its comprehensive plan for review for consistency with Maine's Growth Management Act. Upon accepting your plan for review, we solicited comments from relevant state agencies and your regional planning organization. We subsequently received comments from the Maine Departments Transportation (DOT), Environmental Protection (DEP), and Agriculture, Conservation & Forestry (DACF). Those written comments, which contain suggestions for improving the plan, were attached to our 1/24/2019 finding of completeness.

We now have completed our review and are pleased to inform you that we find the 2018 St. George Comprehensive Plan, dated May 2018, to be **consistent** with the Growth Management Act. Our decision is in no way conditional, but we urge the Comprehensive Planning Committee and Select Board to consider proposing plan amendments that reflect suggestions found in the state agency comments. This Finding of Consistency extends to amendments made pursuant to those suggestions, so such amendments will not alter the plan's "consistent" status or require further review by our office.

We appreciate the efforts of the Comprehensive Planning Committee, its consultant, and all the Town officials and citizens who contributed to this plan. Thanks to the skill and hard work of all involved, this plan will provide important guidance to the Town's decision-makers for years to come.

Again, thank you for submitting your plan for our review. Please don't hesitate to contact me at 287-3860 or phil.carey@maine.gov if you have any questions.

Sincere Best Wishes,

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