

## Eggett, Maria

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**From:** Settele, Rebecca  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 22, 2021 11:58 AM  
**To:** Eggett, Maria  
**Cc:** Perry, John  
**Subject:** RE: Kingfish Maine

Hi Maria,

In our December 20, 2020 preliminary recommendations to the applicant's consultant, we commented that a population of Crowberry Blue butterfly, a State Species of Special Concern, is documented in the peatland located in the northwest corner of this project parcel. Consistent with our preliminary comments we recommend:

1. Regarding the wetland impacts to the north of the project (as depicted in Figure EX3): as some of the upland buffer is already cleared, we are limiting our buffer recommendations to that portion of the forest that remains intact. Specifically, we recommend that all of the bordering forested wetland remain undisturbed as it is both hydrologically contiguous with the peatland and may provide valuable secondary habitat value for the butterfly population (e.g., nectar habitat, buffer from open area avian predators, etc.)
2. No additional clearing or disturbance be permitted within 75 feet of the forested wetland edge – an upland buffer that is already compromised from what is normally requested, but which may be sufficient in this case where a slightly elevated maritime bog is also partially buffered by an intact forested wetland fringe.
3. Additionally, in light of local topography, no project-related drainage or stormwater/runoff be directed toward the forested wetlands or peatland, especially given the modest 75 foot buffer that is being recommended.
4. No pesticides of any kind should be applied on the project parcel anywhere within 250 feet of the forested wetland edge.
5. Finally, MDIFW recommends that the parcel owner provide permanent access to the bog and all wetlands north of the (east-west) access road by biologists and staff from MDIFW and MNAP for purposes of mapping and monitoring the status of the maritime peatland natural community and associate populations of rare wildlife and plants.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

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**Subject:** Kingfish Maine

Please find a review request attached for Kingfish Maine, an aquaculture facility in Jonesport. I will be sending a second email with the applications via Dropbox.

Thank you!

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