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**From:** Molly Kealy <mollykealy2@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 18, 2019 1:24 PM  
**To:** DEP, SilverMapleWind  
**Subject:** Re: Application Acceptance

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Good afternoon Jessica,

I am a bit confused. In your second paragraph you mention that the department “will be holding a public meeting in the future and a notice will be sent with the date when it is set.” The next sentence states a public hearing request must be received no later than 20 days after the application was accepted for processing. Is DEP automatically going to set a public meeting date or does it have to be requested in writing?

At one point you mentioned that DEP also holds “informational” hearings, does that have a deadline to request one?

Can you please tell me the difference between an informational vs public hearing.

Is there a special form or language which has to be used to request a hearing?

Thank you in advance for your assistance,  
Molly Kealy

Sent from my iPad

On Nov 15, 2019, at 1:36 PM, DEP, SilverMapleWind <silvermaplewind.dep@maine.gov> wrote:

The Department has recently received an application for the Silver Maple Wind project. The application was accepted for processing on November 13, 2019. The Department is currently reviewing this project under the Site Location of Development Act. During the review of any application, including the one of specific interest to you, the Department determines whether a project meets all relevant standards under any applicable environmental laws.

In addition to the Department’s review, this project may also require review at the local level and so I encourage you to contact your municipal officials as well. The Department will be holding a public meeting in the future and a notice will be sent with the date when it is set. Any request for a public hearing must be received no later than 20 days after the application was accepted for processing.

I anticipate that the review of the application by the Department and other agencies will be completed by April 12, 2020. At that time, the Department will either issue a decision on the proposal or request additional information from the applicant necessary to reach a decision. If you would like to receive a draft of the Department’s decision or a copy of the final permit, please send me a written request or email. Please note that I can only satisfy such a request if it is received prior to the decision. I have also attached a copy of the Department’s appeal procedures. Should you choose to appeal the

Department's decision, these procedures must be followed. Of primary importance is that your appeal be received within 30 days of the decision date.

If you have any additional concerns, questions, or comments, please feel free to contact me at [silvermaplewind.dep@maine.gov](mailto:silvermaplewind.dep@maine.gov).

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