

DESCRIPTION: The applicant proposes to add approximately half an acre to the currently undeveloped, 2.32-acre wooded RH-1 zoned parcel. Increasing the size of the lot could enable future installation of a driveway to serve the property without the need to remove a significant number of mature trees. The applicant owns both the existing RH-1 lot and the adjoining A-1EX land.

OBSERVATIONS: Surrounding uses include agriculture / open space and scattered rural residences. There are no sensitive environmental features observed. No additional development would be permitted as a result of the lot expansion.

TOWN PLAN: The property is located in the town's agricultural preservation area.

RESOURCE PROTECTION: There are no areas of resource protection corridor located on the property.

STAFF: The proposed parcel expansion appears consistent with town plan policies. The existing parcel is heavily wooded. The additional land being added to the parcel would facilitate installation of a driveway along the edge of the adjoining farm field. This will lower costs of installing a driveway, preserve mature trees on the lot and have nominal impact on agricultural production. Note that future driveway access requires a permit issued by the town of Pleasant Springs.

TOWN: Approved