

PROPERTY LOCATED AT: 13 Medeiros Lane, Sandy River Plt, ME 04970**PROPERTY DISCLOSURE**

Under Maine Law, certain information must be made available to buyers prior to or during preparation of an offer. This statement has been prepared to assist prospective buyers in evaluating this property. This disclosure is not a warranty of the condition of the property and is not part of any contract between Seller and any Buyer. Seller authorizes the disclosure of the information in this statement to real estate licensees and to prospective buyers of this property. The Seller agrees to provide prompt notice of any changes in the information and this form will be appropriately changed with an amendment date. Inspections are highly recommended.

DO NOT LEAVE ANY QUESTIONS BLANK. STRIKE, WRITE N/A OR UNKNOWN IF NEEDED.

SECTION I – WATER SUPPLY

TYPE OF SYSTEM: ☐ Public ☒ Private ☐ Seasonal ☐ Unknown
☒ Drilled ☐ Dug ☐ Other _____

MALFUNCTIONS: Are you aware of or have you experienced any malfunctions with the
 (public/private/other) water system?

Pump (if any): ☐ N/A ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

Quantity: ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

Quality: ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

If Yes to any question, please explain in the comment section below or with attachment.

WATER TEST: Have you had the water tested? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, Date of most recent test: 5/01/2017 Are test results available? .. ☒ Yes ☐ No

To your knowledge, have any test results ever been reported as unsatisfactory
 or satisfactory with notation? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, are test results available? ☐ Yes ☒ No

What steps were taken to remedy the problem? N/A

IF PRIVATE: (Strike Section if Not Applicable):

INSTALLATION: Location: 50 feet behind house

Installed by: Goodwin

Date of Installation: 2004

USE:

Number of persons currently using system: 2, occasionally

Does system supply water for more than one household? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

Comments: Iron filtration system in basement

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SECTION II — WASTE WATER DISPOSAL

TYPE OF SYSTEM: ☐ Public ☒ Private ☐ Quasi-Public _____ ☐ Unknown

IF PUBLIC OR QUASI-PUBLIC (Strike Section if Not Applicable):

Have you had the sewer line inspected?..... ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, what results: N/A

Have you experienced any problems such as line or other malfunctions? ☐ Yes ☒ No

What steps were taken to remedy the problem? N/A

IF PRIVATE (Strike Section if Not Applicable):

Tank: ☒ Septic Tank ☐ Holding Tank ☐ Cesspool ☐ Other: _____

Tank Size: ☐ 500 Gallon ☐ 1000 Gallon ☐ Unknown ☒ Other: 1500 Gallon

Tank Type: ☒ Concrete ☐ Metal ☐ Unknown ☐ Other: _____

Location: 50 feet behind house OR ☐ Unknown

Date installed: 2005 Date last pumped: 2016 Name of pumping company: Unknown

Have you experienced any malfunctions? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, give the date and describe the problem: N/A

Date of last servicing of tank: 2016 Name of company servicing tank: Unknown

Leach Field: ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

If Yes, Location Behind house, right side

Date of installation of leach field: 2007 Installed by: Unknown

Date of last servicing of leach field: 2016 Company servicing leach field: Unknown

Have you experienced any malfunctions? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, give the date and describe the problem and what steps were taken to remedy: N/A

Do you have records of the design indicating the # of bedrooms the system was designed for? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, are they available? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Is System located in a Shoreland Zone? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

Is System located in a Coastal Shoreland Zone?..... ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

Comments: N/A

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SECTION III — HEATING SYSTEM(S)/HEATING SOURCES(S)

Heating System(s) or Source(s)	SYSTEM 1	SYSTEM 2	SYSTEM 3	SYSTEM 4
TYPE(S)	Baseboard	Wood Stove		
Age of system(s) or source(s)	14 Years	14 Years		
Name of company that services system(s) or source(s)	Dead River	Seller		
Date of most recent service call	2017	2018		
Annual consumption per system or source (i.e., gallons, kilowatt hours, cords)	250 Gallons Annually	1 Cord Annually		
Malfunction per system(s) or source(s) within past 2 years	N/A	N/A		
Other pertinent information	N/A	N/A		

Are there fuel supply lines? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

Are any buried? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

Are all sleeved? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

Chimney(s): ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, are they lined: ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

Is more than one heat source vented through one flue? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

Had a chimney fire: ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

Has chimney(s) been inspected? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

If Yes, date: 2018

Date chimney(s) last cleaned: 2018

Direct/Power Vent(s): ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

Has vent(s) been inspected? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

If Yes, date: N/A

Comments: N/A

Source of Section III information: Seller

SECTION IV — HAZARDOUS MATERIAL

The licensee is disclosing that the Seller is making representations contained herein.

A. UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS - Are there now, or have there ever been, any underground storage tanks on the property? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

If Yes, are tanks in current use? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

If no longer in use, how long have they been out of service? N/A

If tanks are no longer in use, have tanks been abandoned according to DEP? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

Are tanks registered with DEP? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

Age of tank(s): N/A

Size of tank(s): N/A

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What materials are, or were, stored in the tank(s)? N/A

Have you experienced any problems such as leakage: ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

Comments: N/A

Source of information: Seller

B. ASBESTOS — Is there now or has there been asbestos:

As insulation on the heating system pipes or duct work? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

In the ceilings? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

In the siding? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

In the roofing shingles? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

In flooring tiles? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

Other: N/A ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

Comments: N/A

Source of information: Seller

C. RADON/AIR - Current or previously existing:

Has the property been tested? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

If Yes: Date: N/A By: N/A

Results: N/A

If applicable, what remedial steps were taken? N/A

Has the property been tested since remedial steps? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

Are test results available? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Results/Comments: N/A

Source of information: Seller

D. RADON/WATER - Current or previously existing:

Has the property been tested? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

If Yes: Date: N/A By: N/A

Results: N/A

If applicable, what remedial steps were taken? N/A

Has the property been tested since remedial steps? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

Are test results available? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Results/Comments: N/A

Source of information: Seller

E. METHAMPHETAMINE - Current or previously existing:

☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

Comments: N/A

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F. LEAD-BASED PAINT/PAINT HAZARDS — (Note: Lead-based paint is most commonly found in homes constructed prior to 1978)

Is there now or has there ever been lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards on the property?

..... ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown ☐ Unknown (but possible due to age)

If Yes, describe location and basis for determination: N/A

Do you know of any records/reports pertaining to such lead-based paint/lead-based paint hazards: ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, describe: N/A

Are you aware of any cracking, peeling or flaking paint? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Comments: N/A

Source of information: Seller

G. OTHER HAZARDOUS MATERIALS - Current or previously existing:

TOXIC MATERIAL: ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

LAND FILL: ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL: ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

Other: N/A

Source of information: Seller

Buyers are encouraged to seek information from professionals regarding any specific issue or concern.

SECTION V — GENERAL INFORMATION

Is the property subject to or have the benefit of any encroachments, easements, rights-of-way, leases, rights of first refusal, life estates, private ways, trails, homeowner associations (including condominiums and PUD's) or restrictive covenants? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

If Yes, explain: Travel on access road along property is granted to neighboring landowners. Refer to deed.

Source of information: Deed

Is access by means of a way owned and maintained by the State, a county, or a municipality over which the public has a right to pass? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

If No, who is responsible for maintenance? N/A

Road Association Name (if known): N/A

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Are there any tax exemptions or reductions for this property for any reason including but not limited to:

Tree Growth, Open Space and Farmland, Veteran's, Homestead Exemption, Blind, Working Waterfront?.....

..... ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

If Yes, explain: N/A

Is a Forest Management and Harvest Plan available?..... ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

Is house now covered by flood insurance policy (not a determination of flood zone) ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

Equipment leased or not owned (including but not limited to, propane tank, hot water heater, satellite dish, water filtration system, photovoltaics, wind turbines): Type: N/A

Year Principal Structure Built: 2004

What year did Seller acquire property? 2004

Roof: Year Shingles/Other Installed: 2005

Water, moisture or leakage: No

Comments: N/A

Foundation/Basement:

Is there a Sump Pump? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

Water, moisture or leakage since you owned the property: ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

Prior water, moisture or leakage? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

Comments: N/A

Mold: Has the property ever been tested for mold? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

If Yes, are test results available? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Electrical: ☐ Fuses ☒ Circuit Breaker ☐ Other: _____ ☐ Unknown

Has all or a portion of the property been surveyed? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

If Yes, is the survey available? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

Manufactured Housing – Is the residence a:

Mobile Home ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

Modular ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

KNOWN MATERIAL DEFECTS about Physical Condition and/or value of Property, including those that may have an adverse impact on health/safety: N/A

Source of Section V information: Seller

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SECTION VI – ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

N/A

ATTACHMENTS EXPLAINING CURRENT PROBLEMS, PAST REPAIRS OR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IN ANY SECTION IN DISCLOSURE: ☐ Yes ☒ No

Seller shall be responsible and liable for any failure to provide known information regarding known material defects to the Buyer.

Neither Seller nor any Broker makes any representations as to the applicability of, or compliance with, any codes of any sort, whether state, municipal, federal or any other, including but not limited to fire, life safety, building, electrical or plumbing.

As Sellers, we have provided the above information and represent that all information is correct. To the best of our knowledge, all systems and equipment, unless otherwise noted on this form, are in operational condition.

Maurice Blondin 10/19/19
SELLER DATE
Maurice Blondin

Jacqueline Blondin 10/19/19
SELLER DATE
Jacqueline Blondin

SELLER DATE

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I/We have read and received a copy of this disclosure, the arsenic in wood fact sheet, the arsenic in water brochure, and understand that I/we should seek information from qualified professionals if I/we have questions or concerns.

BUYER DATE

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LEAD PAINT DISCLOSURE/ADDENDUM

AGREEMENT BETWEEN Maurice Blondin, Jacqueline Blondin (hereinafter "Seller")
AND _____ (hereinafter "Buyer")
FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 13 Medeiros Lane, Sandy River Plt, ME 04970

Said contract is further subject to the following terms:

Lead Warning Statement

Every purchaser of any interest in residential real property on which a residential dwelling was built prior to 1978 is notified that such property may present exposure to lead from lead-based paint that may place young children at risk of developing lead poisoning. Lead poisoning in young children may produce permanent neurological damage, including learning disabilities, reduced intelligence quotient, behavioral problems, and impaired memory. Lead poisoning also poses a particular risk to pregnant women. The seller of any interest in residential real property is required to provide the buyer with any information on lead-based paint hazards from risk assessments or inspections in the seller's possession and notify the buyer of any known lead-based paint hazards. A risk assessment or inspection for possible lead-based paint hazards is recommended prior to purchase.

Seller's Disclosure (check one)

(a) Presence of lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards (check one below):

____ Known lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards are present in the housing (explain).

☒ Seller has no knowledge of lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the housing.

(b) Records and reports available to the Seller (check one below):

____ Seller has provided the Buyer with all available records and reports pertaining to lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the housing (list documents below).

☒ Seller has no reports or records pertaining to lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the housing.

Buyer's Acknowledgment

(c) Buyer has received copies of all information listed above.

(d) Buyer has received the pamphlet Protect Your Family from Lead in Your Home.

(e) Buyer has (check one below):

____ Received a 10-day opportunity (or mutually agreed upon period) to conduct a risk assessment or inspection for the presence of lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards; or

____ Waived the opportunity to conduct a risk assessment or inspection for the presence of lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards.

Agent's Acknowledgment

(f) Agent has informed the Seller of the Seller's obligations under 42 U.S.C. 4852(d) and is aware of his/her responsibility to ensure compliance.

Certification of Accuracy

The following parties have reviewed the information above and certify, to the best of their knowledge, that the information they have provided is true and accurate.

Maurice Blondin 10/17/19
Seller Maurice Blondin Date

Jacqueline Blondin 10/17/19
Seller Jacqueline Blondin Date

Anna Moog 10/17/19
Agent Anna Moog Date

____ Buyer Date

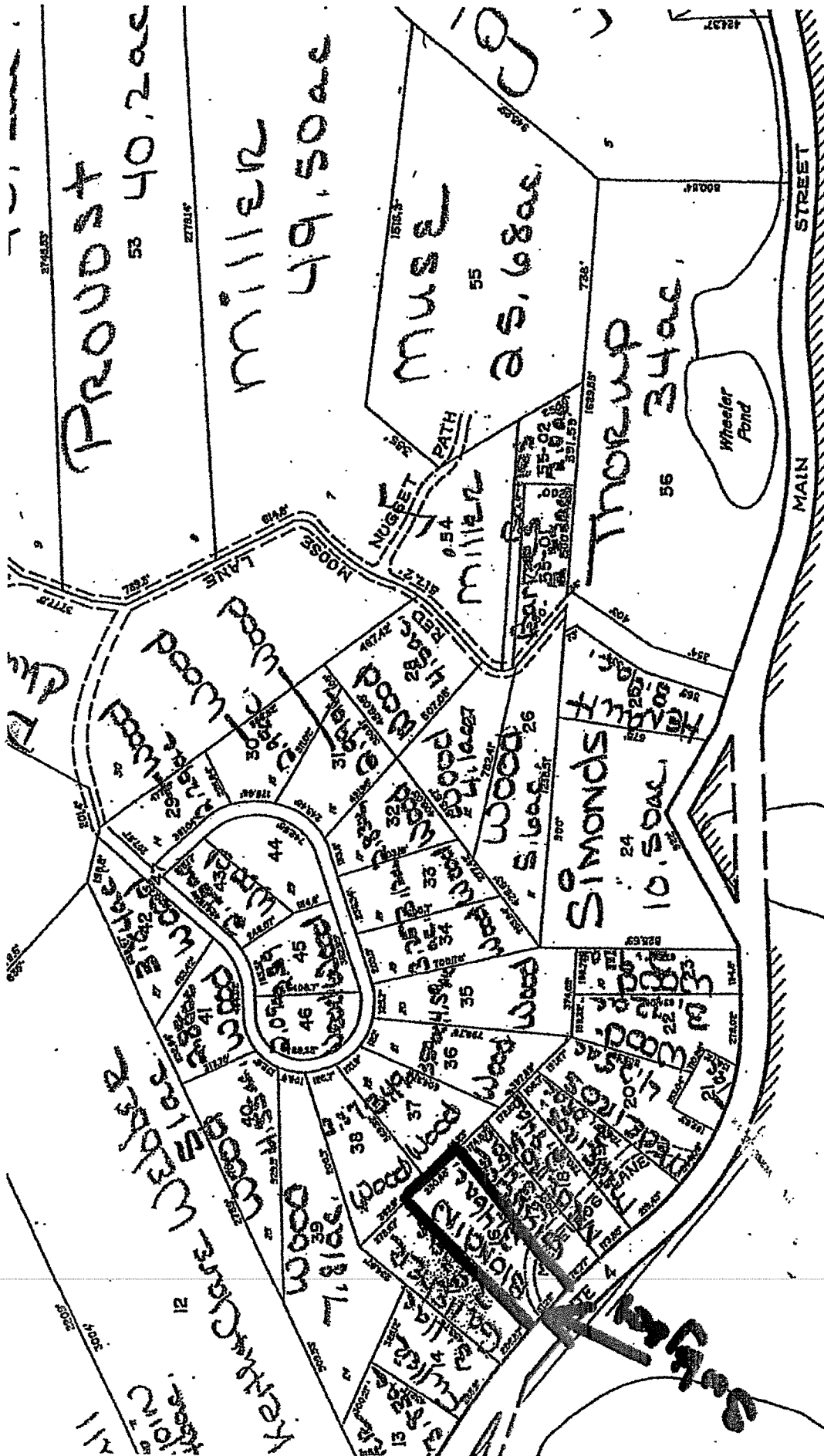
____ Buyer Date

____ Agent Date



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WARRANTY DEED, Joint Tenancy

It, **EMMAUS EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CONGREGATION**, a Maine corporation whose mailing address is 265 Middle Road, Falmouth, Maine, 04105, for consideration paid, hereby grant to **MAURICE BLONDIN and JACQUELINE BLONDIN**, whose mailing address is 103 Winter Street, Lewiston, Maine, 04240, in **Joint Tenancy**, with **Warranty Covenants**, a certain lot or parcel of land situated in Sandy River Plantation, County of Franklin and State of Maine, bounded and described as follows, to wit:

See Exhibit A Attached Hereto.

In Witness Whereof, the said Emmaus Evangelical Lutheran Congregation has caused this instrument to be sealed in its corporate name by Gerard A. Breton, its vice president duly authorized this 17th day of December, 2002.

EMMAUS EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN
CONGREGATION

By Gerard A. Breton ✓
Gerard A. Breton

Peter J. Simonitis
Witness Peter J. Simonitis

Witness

State of Maine
Cumberland, ss.

, 2002

Then personally appeared the above named Gerard A. Breton ✓
duly authorized vice president of said corporation and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be the free act and deed of said corporation and his/her/their free act and deed in said capacity.

Before me,

Peter J. Simonitis SEAL
Notary Public - Attorney at Law

Type or Print Name

PETER J. SIMONITIS
Notary Public, Maine

Dec 16 2005

Prepared by: Robert J. Daviau, Esq., P.O. Box 397, Rangeley, ME 04970

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Exhibit A - Emmaus Evangelical Lutheran Congregation to Blondin

A certain lot or parcel of land situated in Sandy River Plantation, County of Franklin and State of Maine, bounded and described as follows, to wit:

Beginning at an iron pin set (5/8" rebar) on the northeasterly sideline of Route 4, said pin being at the southerly corner of Lot 3 and the westerly corner of Lot 4 as shown on a Plan entitled "Beaver Mountain Overlook" made for Robert Maguire dated August 29, 1988, by R. P. Titcomb Assoc., Inc.; thence by the following courses and distances:

1) North 57° 56' 56" East along Lot 3 a distance of seven hundred and 75/100 (700.75) feet to an iron pin set (5/8" rebar) on the southwesterly sideline of Lot 23 as shown on said Plan. 2) South 29° 42' 12" East along Lot 23 and along Lot 22 as shown on said Plan a distance of two hundred fifty and 88/100 (250.88) feet to an iron pin set (5/8" rebar) at the northerly corner of Lot 5 as shown on said Plan. 3) South 63° 39' 09" West along Lot 5 a distance of seven hundred and 03/100 (700.03) feet to an iron pin set (5/8" rebar) on the northeasterly sideline of Route 4. 4) Northwesterly along the northeasterly sideline of Route 4 on a curve to the left having a radius of one thousand nine hundred seventy and 08/100 (1970.08) feet an arc distance of one hundred eighty-one and 26/100 (181.26) feet to the point of beginning.

The above described parcel contains 150,861 square feet. Bearings are referenced to magnetic North 1987.

Meaning and intending to convey Lot 4 as shown on a Plan entitled "Beaver Mountain Overlook" made for Robert Maguire dated August 29, 1988, by R. P. Titcomb Assoc. Inc. recorded in the Franklin County Registry of Deeds at P-2250.

Said Lot 4 is part of a subdivision approved pursuant to Land Use Regulation Commission Subdivision Permit SP-3172 which is recorded in the Franklin County Registry of Deeds in Book 1108, Page 201. Use of this lot is subject to applicable conditions of that Subdivision Permit approval.

This conveyance is subject to the following restrictions:

- A. No construction may be undertaken on any lot without first obtaining an approved Building Permit from the Land Use Regulation Commission.
- B. All structures must be set back a minimum of 50 feet from all access roads and rights-of-way, and a minimum of 15 feet from all other property lines.
- C. Except for driveways, within the minimum setbacks there shall be no clearing or cutting of live vegetation. Outside these setbacks, vegetative clearing shall be limited to the minimum extent necessary for construction activities.
- D. No lot shall be further divided without the written approval of the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission, as established in accordance with Title 12, Sections 681 through 689, Maine Revised Statutes Annotated.

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This conveyance is subject to certain terms, conditions, easements and restrictions set forth on Plan of Long Pond Overlook, Sandy River Plantation, Maine, recorded in the Franklin County Registry of Deeds as Plan P-971.

This conveyance is further made together with the right, in common with other lot owners in this subdivision, to use the road and common improvements situated in Sandy River Plantation, within the subdivision, and serving the subdivision.

By acceptance of this Deed, the Grantee herein, their heirs and assigns, shall become a member of the Beaver Mountain Overlook Owners Association, a non-profit non-stock corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Maine, and shall be subject to the By-Laws, rules and regulations of said Association. This Association has been formed primarily to own and maintain certain common improvements and the road area serving said subdivision. The Association shall have the right to levy an assessment or charge for Association expenses which shall run with and bind the land herein conveyed and shall be binding upon the Grantees, their and assign. This assessment or charge shall constitute a debt which may be collected by suit or action in any court of competent jurisdiction and shall constitute a lien or encumbrance on the land herein conveyed until paid. The lien hereby reserved and described shall, however, be at all times subordinate to the lien of any bonafide mortgage of any of the land herein conveyed, to the end and intent that the lien of any such mortgage shall be paramount to the lien for the charge herein imposed, and provided further that such subordination shall apply only to the charges or assessments that shall become payable prior to the passing of title under foreclosure of such mortgage or acquisition of title by deed in lieu of foreclosure; and nothing herein contained shall be held to affect the rights herein given to enforce the collection of such charges or assessments accruing after foreclosure of such mortgage by sale or otherwise, or after conveyance in lieu of foreclosure.

Excepting and Reserving, however, from said Lot 4, the rights of the owners of Lots Numbered 1,2,3, 5,6,7 and 8 as shown on the above cited Plan, to travel by foot or vehicle over and along the access road as it crosses Lot 4, which connects with State Route No.4.

Also conveying hereby, the right to travel by foot or vehicle, in common with others, over and along the access road as it runs from State Route No.4 across Lots Numbered 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 to State Route No.4.

Being the same premises conveyed to Grunwald by Robert Maguire, et al, by deed dated March 15, 1990 and recorded in the Franklin County Registry of Deeds in Book 1154, Page 160.

Meaning and intending to convey that same premises conveyed to the Emmaus Evangelical Lutheran Congregation by deed of Patricia A. Grunwald and Peter J. Grunwald by deed dated September 24, 1999, as recorded in said Registry at Book 1881, Page 161.

FRANKLIN COUNTY
Susan A. Black
Register of Deeds

Have you tested your well water for arsenic?



Your water looks, smells and tastes fine. So why do you need to test it?

It is hard to believe that water that looks, smells and tastes fine may not be safe to drink. But the truth is that 1 in 10 wells in Maine has water that is high in arsenic. There are wells high in arsenic in all parts of Maine.

**Protect your family.
Test your well for arsenic every 3 to 5 years.**

How to Test Your Well Water

1. Call a lab.

- Call a certified lab and ask for an arsenic test kit for your well water. You can find a lab at this website: wellwater.maine.gov. Or call the Maine Lab Certification Officer at 207-287-1929.
- If you have never tested your well water for bacteria, nitrites and nitrates, or other chemicals like radon, uranium and fluoride, ask your lab for a test kit for all of these.

2. Do the test.

- Your test kit will arrive in the mail. It will have empty bottles, directions and forms to fill out.
- Follow the directions and mail the bottles back to the lab with the forms.
- Watch a video on how to do a water test: youtube.com/user/MainePublicHealth

3. Get your results.

- Your test results will come to you in the mail.
- If you have too much arsenic in your water, or if you are not sure you understand your test results, call 866-292-3474 (toll-free in Maine) or 207-287-4311 to speak to an expert.

Why Arsenic is Bad

People who drink water with too much arsenic for many years are more likely to get cancer. Arsenic can cause skin, bladder and lung cancers.

It may cause low birthweight and affect brain development in babies if pregnant women drink water with too much arsenic in it. Arsenic can also affect brain development in young children. Other problems from drinking water with very high arsenic levels include: stomach pain, nausea, diarrhea, numbness or tingling in the hands and feet and changes in skin.

Your chance of having any of these health problems depends on:

- how much arsenic is in your water;
- how much water you drink;
- how long you have been drinking the water.

Solving Arsenic Problems

There are actions you can take to protect your family if your water has too much arsenic. First, you can switch to bottled water for drinking and making drinks. This will allow you time to decide if you want to install a water treatment system.

Call us at 866-292-3474 (toll-free in Maine) or 207-287-4311 if you have high arsenic. We can help you decide how to solve the problem.

Protect your family. Test your well.

- For more information: wellwater.maine.gov
- Call for advice: 866-292-3474 • TTY: Call Maine Relay 711



April 2013



Fact Sheet: Arsenic Treated Wood

Department of Health and
Human Services
11 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Maine CDC
Environmental and
Occupational Health Program

Toll Free in Maine: 866-292-3474
Fax: 207-287-3981
TTY: 207-287-8066
Email: ehu@maine.gov

IF YOU WORK WITH CCA WOOD

- NEVER burn CCA wood.
- Wear gloves when handling CCA wood
- Wear a dust mask when sanding or cutting CCA wood
- Don't work with CCA wood in an enclosed area (like a garage)

Apply a coating to seal the wood every 1-2 years

Does Your New Home Have Arsenic (CCA) Treated Wood?

About half of all Maine homes have a deck, or playground or some other structure that is made of wood treated with arsenic. This wood is called "CCA pressure-treated wood" or just "pressure-treated" wood. The wood was treated with arsenic to protect against rot and insects.

Too much arsenic can cause cancer. So it is good to prevent arsenic getting into your body when you can. When you touch wood treated with arsenic, you can get arsenic on your hands. The arsenic on your hands can get into your mouth if you are not careful about washing before eating. Young children are most at risk because they are more likely to put their hands in their mouths. The good news is that there are simple things you can do to protect yourself and your family from arsenic treated wood. This fact sheet will tell you how.



Children touching unsealed treated wood, and then putting their hands in their mouths is the biggest concern.

TO LEARN MORE

Eric Frohberg
Environmental and
Occupational Health
Program
Maine CDC
Toll-free in Maine 866-
292-3474
TTY: 207-287-8066
[www.maine.gov/dhhs/
cohp](http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/cohp)

First: Does your house have arsenic treated (CCA) wood?

When arsenic treated wood is new, it tends to have a greenish tint. When CCA wood is older, it is harder to tell. Ask your realtor if the seller knows whether CCA wood was used. You can also test the wood to find out if it contains arsenic. Call us to find out how.

Second: If so, reduce contact with the arsenic.

You can lower the amount of arsenic on the surface of the wood by applying a coating on the wood every 1-2 years. Oil-based sealants, varnishes, or polyurethane work best for sealing arsenic in the wood. Be sure to wash your children's hands when they finish playing on or near CCA wood.

Third: If you have any questions, call us toll-free in Maine: 866-292-3474

Common Questions

What is CCA wood?

CCA wood is made by dipping the wood in a mixture of chemicals. These chemicals include chromium, copper, and arsenic. This protects the wood against insects and rot. This wood is known as CCA wood or "pressure treated" wood. Most pressure treated wood in the U.S. is CCA wood. After December 31, 2003, no more CCA wood will be made for use around homes. CCA wood may still be sold for home use until April 1, 2004 in the state of Maine.

What is Arsenic?

Arsenic is found in soil and rocks. Most people get a little arsenic every day from the food they eat. Also, some people have arsenic in their private wells, which is why it is important that anyone with a well have it tested for arsenic. People who are exposed to too much arsenic over many years are more likely to get cancer.