INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSES COMMISSION

The Connecticut General Statutes empower the Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission to regulate activities occurring within inland wetlands or watercourses and to review any activity occurring in the adjacent upland that could negatively impact these natural resources. The Commission does not regulate activities within or adjacent to tidal wetlands, the Connecticut River or Long Island Sound.

The Board of Selectmen appoints 3 regular members and 3 alternate members to serve 2-year terms each. Representatives from four of the Town's land use agencies complete the Commission's staffing. The Commission is grateful for having the participation of Charlie Sohl, recently deceased representative from the Zoning Commission, for many terms of office to protect our natural resources from construction activities.

During the 2012-2013 fiscal year, the Commission processed 13 applications (11 residential / 2 non-residential). The Commission meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7:30 P.M. in the Town Hall, first floor conference room. Meryl Tsagronis of the Land Use Department supports us as our administrative clerk. Sandy Prisloe, Environmental Planner, who conducts our enforcement activities, is available Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9 a.m. to noon in the Land Use Department of the Town Hall to assist with applications and to answer questions concerning land use in Old Saybrook.

Paul H. Smith, Chairman