**PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE ENHANCED ENERGY PLAN**

A) Policy 3.1, Action Step # 4. Eliminate references to ridgelines and instead say:

“Lands 2000 feet in elevation or higher in Forest Districts shall be left in their natural condition, free from all development, including roads, building structures, utilities, wireless broadcast telecommunications facilities, and industrial wind turbines (except camps as provided for in Chapter IX of the Town Plan and subject to the conditions articulated in Sec. 201.7 of Windham’s zoning regulations.)

Policy 4.7 Bullet point #2 Change this to read “Fragile natural areas including all lands 2000 feet in elevation or higher in Forest Districts”

Policy 4.12 Eliminate references to ridgelines and instead say:

“Lands 2000 feet in elevation or higher in Forest Districts shall be left in their natural condition, free from all development, including roads, building structures, utilities, wireless broadcast telecommunications facilities, and industrial wind turbines (except camps as provided for in Chapter IX of the Town Plan and subject to the conditions articulated in Sec. 201.7 of Windham’s zoning regulations.)

The town prohibits any commercial or industrial operations on land above 2000 feet in Forest Districts other than forestry and will not support any commercial or industrial activity that exceeds the capacity of its public infrastructure, including emergency response assets.”

Does the final sentence of that paragraph perform any useful function? It seems to imply that the town might support commercial or industrial activity that did not exceed the capacity of its public infrastructure including emergency response assets. Is it better to just eliminate the sentence?

**PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE TOWN PLAN**

I. p.72, Policy 1, Action 1. Eliminate “Prominent ridgelines” and replace with

“Lands 2000 feet in elevation or higher in Forest Districts shall be left in their natural condition, free from all development, including roads, building structures, utilities, wireless broadcast telecommunications facilities, and industrial wind turbines.”

II. Change the first paragraph on the top of p.82 as follows:

“The purpose of the Forest District is to provide for forestry uses while protecting large, contiguous areas of timber and wildlife/natural resources. Appropriate uses is the Forest Districts include agriculture, commercial forestry, other forestry uses (i.e. education, research, etc.) and seasonal camps. Industrial and commercial uses (other than forestry) are prohibited on all land above 2000 feet in elevation in Forest Districts. Uses such as single family dwellings, and non-intensive recreation may be allowed on land below 2000 feet after careful review by the Windham Planning Commission to ensure that the viability of the timber resources or wildlife habitats will not be jeopardized. See Zoning Regulations Section 207 for uses prohibited and Sec. 201.7 for permitted and conditional uses in High Elevation Resource Protection areas. Minimum lot size shall be 27 acres.”

II p.87, Policy 1: Change to read “The town prohibits any commercial or industrial operations on lands 2000 feet in elevation or higher in Forest Districts other than forestry and will not support any commercial or industrial activity that exceeds the capacity of its public infrastructure including emergency response assets.” *(Again, do we add exceptions?)*

III.) Eliminate references to “prominent ridgelines” on the Utilities and Resources map (p. 92 or 93); Refer to these areas as High Elevation Resource Lands or replace with a new **“High Elevation Protection Overlay” map.**

IV. Ditto for the Viewsheds map (pp. 102-3)