

## Jennifer Lindo

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**From:** Gary Goeschel  
**Sent:** Monday, July 13, 2020 12:22 PM  
**To:** Jennifer Lindo  
**Subject:** Fwd: Extension Proposal

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Gayle Booth <gaylebooth@gmail.com>  
**Date:** July 13, 2020 at 12:19:55 PM EDT  
**To:** Gary Goeschel <ggoeschel@eltownhall.com>  
**Subject:** Extension Proposal

The previous message was sent before editing. Please substitute this corrected email.

I believe the extension of the wetland upland review area from 100 feet to 500 feet is ill-advised and not in the best interest of the citizens of East Lyme. I understand that the Commission can regulate activities in the upland area only if they have an adverse effect within the wetland itself. If the homeowner's proposed activity is to be disallowed, the town must have substantial evidence that the proposed activity will have an adverse effect within the wetlands area. Proving that activities outside of the wetlands will reach an adverse effect on the wetlands can be a very complicated process. It often will result in conflicting testimony from experts on each side of the request. This is likely to be a time-consuming and expensive process. I further believe that making it more difficult for town residents to use their properties by adding an additional bureaucratic requirement sends a message that East Lyme is overly anxious to make it more difficult for residents to use their property.

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