

Section 9. Definitions

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(a) The term "person" shall include any individual, group of individuals, association, partnership, corporation, company, business organization, trust, estate, the Commonwealth or political subdivision thereof to the extent subject to town by-laws, administrative agency, public or quasi- public corporation or body, this municipality, and any other legal entity, its legal representatives, agents, or assigns.

(b) The term "alter" shall include, without limitation, the following activities when undertaken to, upon, within or affecting resource areas protected by this by-law:

(a) Removal, excavation or dredging of soil, sand, gravel, or aggregate materials of any kind; (b) Changing of pre-existing drainage characteristics, flushing characteristics, salinity distribution, sedimentation patterns, flow patterns, or flood retention characteristics; (c) Drainage or other disturbance of water level or water table; (d) Dumping, discharging or filling with any material which may degrade water quality; (e) Placing of fill, or removal of material, which would alter elevation;

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(f) Driving of piles, erection or repair of buildings, or structures of any kind; (g) Placing of obstructions or objects in water; (h) Destruction of plant life including the cutting of trees; (i) Changing water temperature, biochemical oxygen demand, or other physical or chemical characteristics of water; (j) Any activities, changes or work which may cause or tend to contribute to pollution of any body of water or groundwater;

(c) The term "Commission" means the Canton Conservation Commission.

(d) All other definitions as set forth in M.G.L., Chapter 131, Section 40 and Massachusetts Regulation 310 CMR issued by the Department of Environmental Quality Engineering are hereby made a part of this by-law.

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