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August 23, 2021

NH Office of Professional Licensure and Certification
Board of Natural Scientists
Mr. Damon Burt, Chair
7 Eagle Square
Concord, NH 03301

Re: CEU's

Dear Mr. Burt,

The NH Association of Natural Resource Scientists recently sent an email to the NH Office of Professional Licensure and Certification inquiring the number of CEU's that would be required for renewing a certification during the fall and winter of this year. The reply received was that the full amount of CEU's will be required and if the CEU's were lacking there is a 12-month period that a professional could acquire additional CEU's but a fiscal penalty would also accumulate. During the Covid pandemic and the governor's special order of not requiring CEU's for the past 18 months or so may leave some professionals lacking in the number of required CEU's due to the shutdown and lack of seminars that were available during the past year.

The Board of Directors of the NH Association Natural Resource Scientist's would like to inquire directly to the Board of Natural Scientists, that if the full amount of CEU's will be required, It is the opinion of the NH Association of Natural Resource Scientists, Board of Directors that requiring the full amount of CEU's is an unreasonable requirement due to the Covid pandemic and the limited amount of seminars, in person meetings and the need for some Certified Professionals to remain isolated for health issues. It would seem that a certain lesser amount of CEU requirements would be a reasonable solution.

The Board of Directors would like to ask that the Board of Natural Scientists look into the requirement of the need for the full amount of CEU's for renewal of one's certification and reply back to the NH Association of Natural Resource Scientists.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Timothy Ferwerda". The signature is written in black ink on a light-colored background.

Timothy Ferwerda
NHANRS President