



## **CITY OF GARDINER DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**

*Dear Friends, Business Owners,*

*While everyone who lives or works in the flood zone of Gardiner is familiar with the dangers of flooding potential we face during the winter and early spring months, we often wait until the waters are at dangerous levels before we begin to think about moving ourselves, our vehicles and our essential property items to higher ground. In most cases we have been fortunate, since 1987 flooding has not been extensive.*

*The purpose of this letter is two-fold. First to assure you that we are monitoring the river daily and the Maine Emergency Management Agency will be installing water level monitors and alarms to sense ice movement on the Kennebec River. Secondly, we continually work with the State and County to assure that we have the most accurate information available to assess flood possibilities and to help keep you informed.*

*Ice jams can cause severe flooding as well as major damage, we are asking that you take a moment out of your busy schedule to check your plans for a quick and systematic approach to relocating your merchandise and/or personnel belongings as well as contacts for the removal of your furnace motors, securing oil storage tanks, LP tanks, dumpsters, vehicles, etc. and any other necessary items in case of a rapid rise in the river.*

*Building owners with resident tenants should have plans in place with their tenant in the event of an evacuation as to where they may relocate. In addition, you may want to advise your tenants to leave a contact telephone number in the event that their automobiles need to be moved, as they will be towed at the owner's expense.*

*Sincerely,*

*Chief Mark Kimball  
Gardiner Fire & Rescue*

*Chief James M. Toman  
Gardiner Police Department*

*City of Gardiner*

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE LOG ON TO:** <http://www.gardinerrmaine.com/>, <http://www.maine.gov/rfac/>, <http://me.water.usgs.gov/>, <http://www.state.me.us/mema/>, <http://www.fema.gov/>

**THE GARDINER FLOOD LINE WILL BE UPDATED AS NEEDED.  
207-588-4075**