

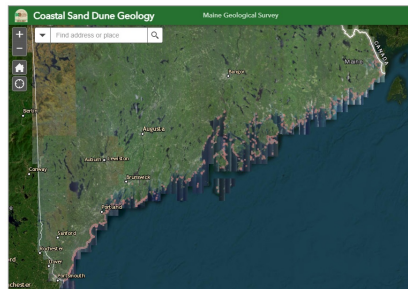
SALES DOWN AND VALUES UP IN AUGUST:

In a press release to the media today, Maine home sales decreased -18.77% comparing August 2023 to August 2022. The median sales price (MSP) was \$372,000, a 9.41% increase in that same time period. NAR

reports that existing home sales were down, and median sales prices were up nationally and in the northeast comparing August 2023 to August 2022. [Read the full release here!](#)

MAINE DEP CONSIDERS MAP AMENDMENTS: SAND DUNES

The Maine Board of Environmental Protection is proposing changes to [Maine's Coastal Sand Dune Geology Maps](#), adding sand dune designation areas, and reclassifying some of Maine's coastline with new designations that will make development more difficult in these designated areas as early 4Q 2023 (this fall).



[Click here to view the proposed changes in York county](#)

[Click here to view the proposed changes in Cumberland county](#)

[Click here to view the proposed changes from Sagadahoc to Washington counties](#)

The written public comment period is open until October 4. **MAR urges an extended timeline for review and an extension in the effective dates for any map amendments.** We urge you to contact the Maine Board of Environmental Protection (via email) and voice any concerns prior to October 4.

Naomi Kirk-Lawlor

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