



June 6, 2019

Mr. Shaun Donnelly, Redding Building Official
Town of Redding
10 Lonetown Road
Redding Center, CT 06785

Dear Mr. Donnelly:

RE: I-07-19 Formal Interpretation of R401.3.1, Drainage Nuisances (2015 IRC)

This is in response to your letter of May 14, 2019 in which you are seeking a formal interpretation of the following questions:

QUESTION 1: Is the jurisdictional responsibility of the Building Official limited to drainage included in permitted work?

ANSWER 1: Yes. Section R4013.1 would apply for permitted work since Section R101.2 Scope of the 2015 International Residential Code portion of the 2018 State Code does not include the word "maintenance" which would apply to existing conditions.

QUESTION 2: If no, is the jurisdictional responsibility limited to drainage systems that have been recently modified?

ANSWER 2: See answer to question number 1.

QUESTION 3: If no, are all "surface or roof drainage" issues that are deemed to be a nuisance by the "owners or occupants of an adjacent premises," regardless of whether they cause "a structural or health hazard," under the jurisdiction of the Building Official?

ANSWER 3: See answer to question number 1.

Sincerely,

Joseph V. Cassidy, P.E.
State Building Inspector

c: Daniel Tierney, Deputy State Building Inspector