Council Consideration

Township of Harmony Petition for Plan Conformance



Township of Harmony Petition for Plan Conformance Public Process and Consideration

- ▶ Harmony Township adopted a Resolution to Petition for Plan Conformance for the Preservation Area only – Resolution 09-49, dated December 1, 2009
- ▶ Petition deemed complete on January 25, 2011
- Draft Consistency Review and Recommendations Report provided to Township on January 6, 2012. Municipal Response period ended February 6, 2012
- Final Draft Report and the complete Petition posted for public comment on March 28, 2012
- Two Public Comments were received during the public comment period on Harmony's Petition which opened March 28, 2012 and closed April 23, 2012.



Township of Harmony

Background Statistics





- Incorporated: 1839
- ▶ Population 2010: 2,667
- ▶ Land Area: 15,416 acres/24 sq. mi.
- Preserved Lands: 6,527 acres (42%)
- ▶ Total Forest: 6,256 acres (41%)

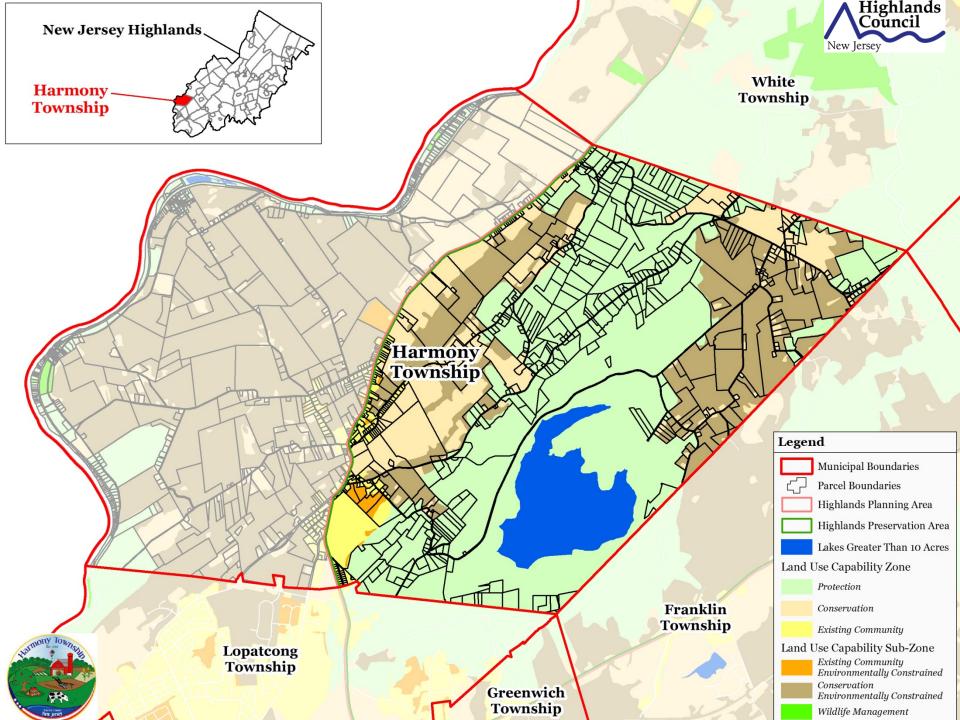


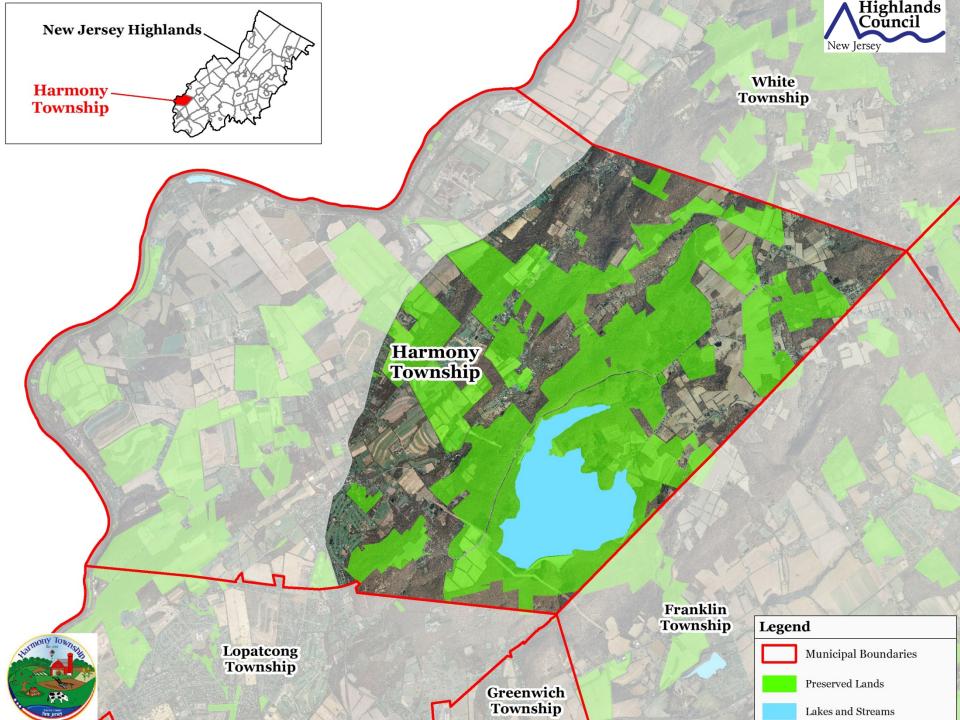
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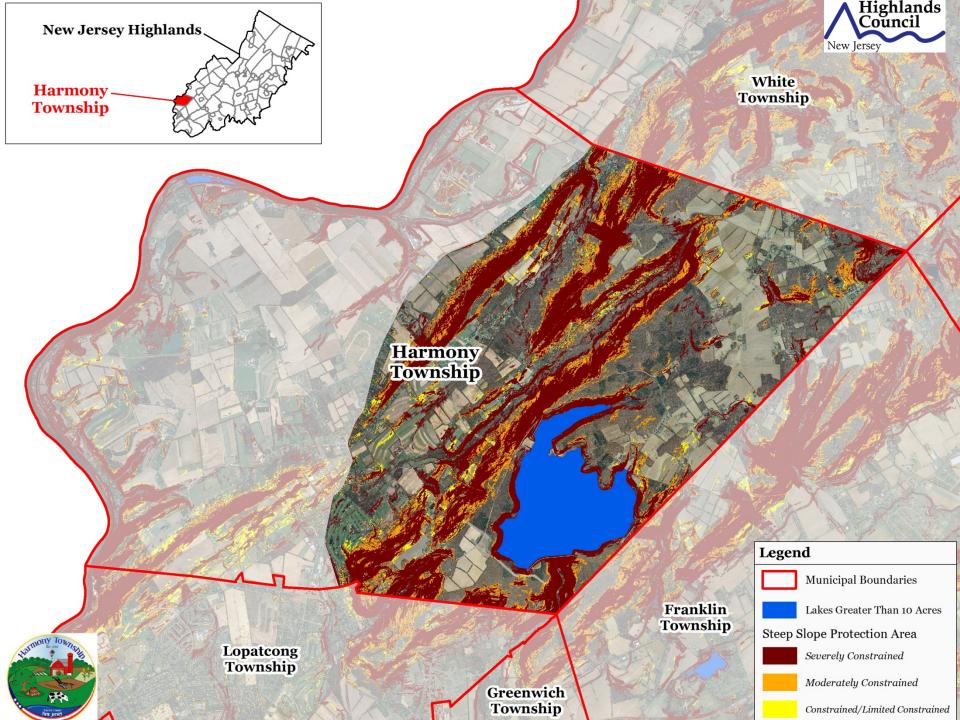
Significant Highlands Statistics

- ▶ Planning Area Lands: 7,003 acres 45%
- ▶ Preservation Area Lands: 8,413 acres 55%
- ▶ Protection Zone: 5,542 acres 35.9%
- ▶ Existing Community Zone: 502 acres 3.3% (Roads 3.4%)
- ▶ Conservation Zone: 8,848 acres 57.4%
- ▶ Highlands Open Water Protection: 4,960 acres 32%
- Critical Wildlife Habitat: 10,799 acres 70%
- ▶ Agricultural Priority Areas: 6,002 acres 39%









Plan Conformance Modules

Petition Requirements	RMP Consistent	Specific Issues
Modules 1-2 Municipal Build-Out Report	X	None
Module 3 Housing Element/Fair Share Plan	X	None
Module 4 Environmental Resource Inventory	X	None
Module 5 Highlands Element	X	None
Module 6 Land Use Ordinance	X	None
Module 7 Petition for Plan Conformance	X	None



Recommendation: Township of Harmony's Petition for Plan Conformance

Staff Recommendation: APPROVE (with the following CONDITIONS)

- Modifications to Plan Conformance Implementation Components Including Master Plan Element and Land Use Ordinance
- Agricultural Retention Plan
- Habitat Conservation & Management Plan
- **Sustainable Economic Development Plan**
- Stream Corridor Protection & Restoration Plan
- Update Right To Farm Ordinance



Council Deliberation



Township of Harmony

