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### **Daniel M. Kennedy joins New Jersey Pinelands Commission as Burlington County's new representative**

NEW LISBON, N.J. – The New Jersey Pinelands Commission welcomed Daniel M. Kennedy of Bordentown City as he attended his first meeting today as Burlington County's representative on the panel.

Kennedy, who has served as the Coordinator of Burlington County's Farmland Preservation Program since 2004, said he looks forward to serving on the Commission.

"I'm excited about my appointment to the Pinelands Commission and am looking forward to bringing my experience in land preservation and land-use planning to the table," Kennedy said. "The decisions of the Commission greatly impact the residents of Burlington County, and I am honored that the Burlington County Board of Chosen Freeholders had the faith in me to appoint me to this position."

Kennedy currently manages all facets of Burlington County's agriculture retention programs, including easement and fee simple transactions, as well as monitoring and promoting transfer-of-development rights programs and participation in the Pinelands Development Credit program. He holds a master's degree in City and Regional Planning from Rutgers University and a bachelor's degree in Environmental Science from the University of Delaware. Kennedy is a member of the American Planning Association and is a candidate for a New Jersey Professional Planners license and an American Institute of Certified Planners license.

The Burlington County Board of Chosen Freeholders appointed Kennedy to a three-year term on the Pinelands Commission during the board's meeting on September 26.

The position was previously held by Patrick Slavin, a lecturer in biology at Burlington County College who had served as Burlington County's representative on the Commission since March 2004.

"Pat was an outstanding member of the Commission whose thoughtfulness, effectiveness and dedication to furthering and strengthening the Pinelands protection program were very much appreciated," said John C. Stokes, Executive Director of the Pinelands Commission.

The Pinelands Commission consists of 15 members: seven appointed by the Governor of New Jersey, one appointed by each of the seven Pinelands counties and one appointed by the U.S. Secretary of the Interior. Members of the Commission serve staggered, three-year terms and are uncompensated for their service.

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