# INFORMATIONAL LAYERS

## for Cross Acceptance of the Third New Jersey State Development and Redevelopment Plan

The State Plan is not itself a regulation but a statement of State policy that has been adopted by the State Planning Commission pursuant to statute to guide State, regional and local agencies in the exercise of their statutory authority.

# NJ DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS OFFICE OF SMART GROWTH

Map prepared by the New Jersey Office of Smart Growth.Map was developed in part using digital data from the NJ Department of Environmental Protection, NJ Department of Transportation, NJ Department of Agriculture, Council On Affordable Housing and the Pinelands Commission. New Jersey State Plane Coordinate System. North American Datum 1983 (NAD83). Denotes NAD27- ⊞

**Pinelands Management Areas- 7-03**

- State Designated Pinelands Area
- Pinelands Regional Growth Area
- Pinelands Town
- Pinelands Village
- Pinelands Rural Development Area
- Pinelands Agricultural Production Area
- Pinelands Special Agricultural Area
- Pinelands Forest & Preservation Area
- Pinelands Military & Federal

**Civil Divisions, Roads, etc.**

- Municipal Boundary
- County Boundary
- CAFRA Boundary
- Interstate & Toll Roads
- US & State Roads
- Rail Lines & Commuter Stations

**State Plan Centers**

U C - Urban Center
D R - Designated Regional Cen.
D T - Designated Town
D V - Designated Village
D H - Designated Hamlet

- Node
- Core
- Endorsed Plan
- Center

**Planning Areas**

- Metropolitan and Suburban Planning Area
- Fringe and Rural Planning Area
- Rural/Env.Sensitive, Env. Sensitive and Env. Sens./Barrier Island Planning Area

**Farmland Preservation Priority/Classifications- DRAFT**

- Preserved Farmland (NJ State Agriculture Development Committee)
- Priority 1 & 2- Farmland: Outside Sewer Service Area (Wastewater Management Plan)
- Priority 3 & 4- Farmland: Within Future Sewer Service Area(WMP)
- Priority 5 & 6- Farmland: Within Existing Sewer Service Area(WMP)

**NJDOT STIP & Capital Plans/Programs**

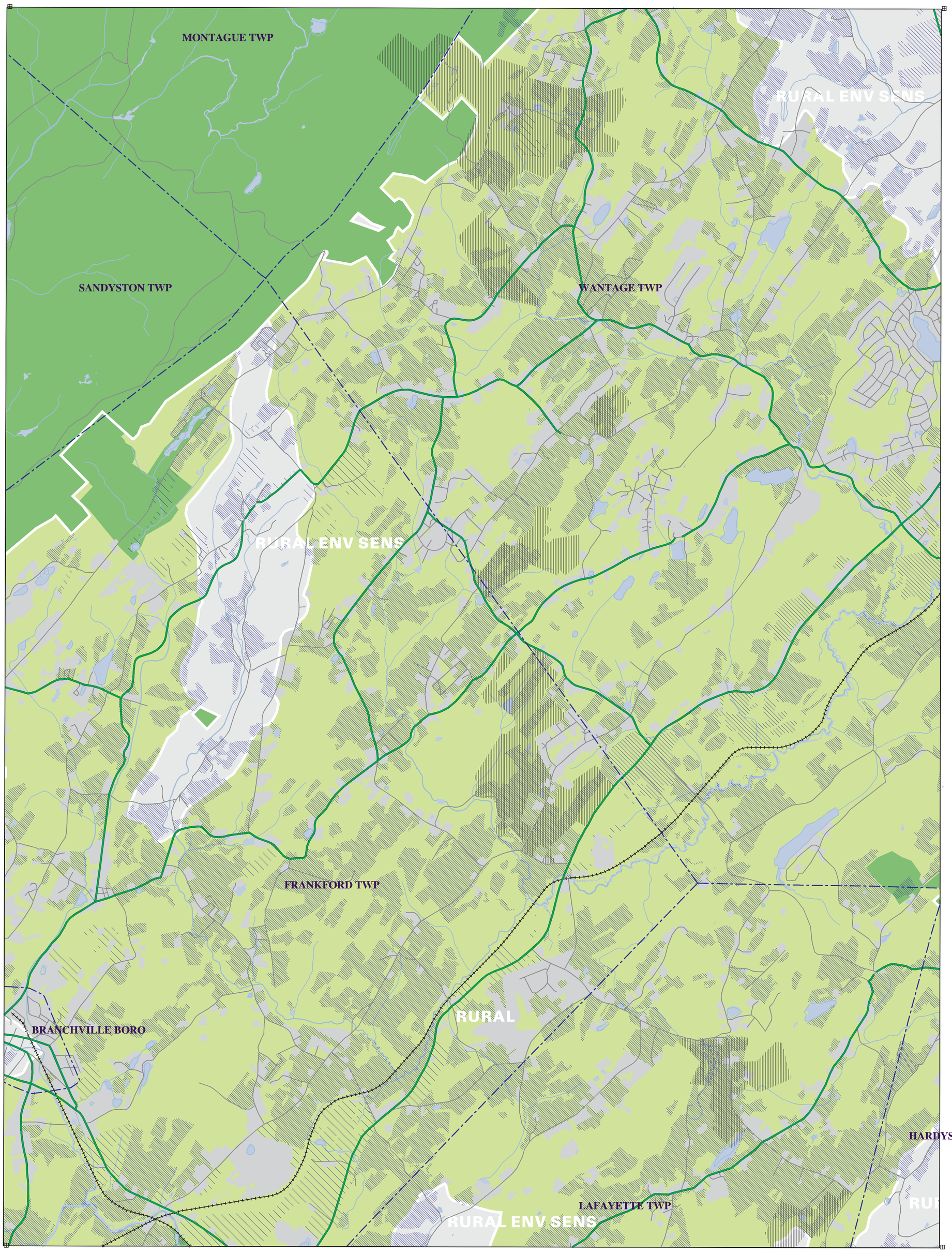
- System Expansion
- System Preservation
- Congestion Management
- Intermodal Program
- Environmental Program
- Bridge Projects/Preservation
- 999 Project ID

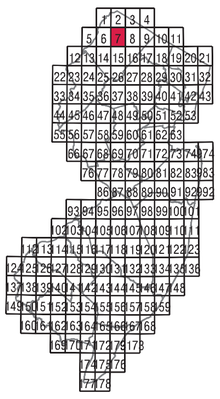
**NJDEP Overlay**

- Environmental Information
- Parks & Open Space

**COAH Sites**

- Built
- Zoned or Planned





NJ DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS:
This map depicts the USGS registered quadrangle mapping for your community. There are 2 separate maps for each quadrangle. One shows the existing Planning Areas as depicted on the current State Plan Policy Map. The second is a map combining the data that the Office of Smart Growth has received from the other State agencies.

We are providing you with this information to give you an additional opportunity to suggest changes to the current State Plan Policy Map in advance of the formal cross acceptance process. The input that we receive from county and municipal governments and the public will help the State agencies develop a better Preliminary State Plan.

We are particularly interested in your comments on the areas where the mapping indicates a potential inconsistency with the current Planning Area designation. Do not assume that because a state agency has mapped an area in a particular way, that the mapping will automatically result in a specific planning area designation for that area. We are looking for your input on how those areas should be addressed.

The information contained in the combined map is a consolidation of the information that has been presented to local governments and the public over the past several months by the individual departments. The existing State Planning areas are outlined in white on the combined map. Department of Transportation and NJ Transit projects contained in the State Transportation Improvement Program are shown along with their project number.Also shown are all affordable housing sites that have been filed with COAH with a differentiation between those sites that are built and those sites that are planned or zoned for affordable housing. The map also depicts existing parks and open space as dark green. It should be noted that not all local parks and open space are shown on the map. All farmland that has been permanently protected through the Farmland Preservation program is shown on the map by hatching. The map also shows the Department of Agriculture's Draft Farmland Preservation Priority Classifications. The 6 priority classifications for farmland are placed into 3 groups of 2 priority classifications, each with a separate hatching on the map.

Areas that the Department of Environmental Protection has identified as being environmentally sensitive within Planning Areas 1, 2, 3 4, and 5B and designated centers are shown in light green on the map. Since Planning Areas 4B and 5 are by definition environmentally sensitive, the DEP data was not mapped in those planning areas. They are depicted as shades of gray. The layers used to create the DEP Environmental Overlay can be researched on their i-MapNJ site: www.state.nj.us/dep. Adobe Acrobat files of the OSG maps can be found at- www.NJSmartGrowth.com

NJ COUNCIL ON AFFORDABLE HOUSING:
Affordable housing sites mapped are derived from the annual monitoring reports turned in by municipalities. Not all municipalities submitted timely monitoring reports. Therefore not all COAH sites have been mapped.

NJ DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION:
to find out more about a particular project, please go to the DOT Web site for the description. Unfortunately, the Web site does not have the project indexed by number, but they are sorted by route number and by county. The links are as follows: http://www.state.nj.us/transportation/capital/tcp04f, for the FY '04 Capital Program http://www.state.nj.us/transportation/capital/stip04-06/index.shtml forthe FY '04-'06 STIP.

NJ DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE:
The Draft Farmland Preservation Priorities have been proposed through a Farmland Preservation Strategic Targeting Project of the NJ State Agriculture Development Committee (SADC) and the County Agriculture Development Boards (CADBs). The Strategic Targeting Project utilized the latest, statewide data from the NJ Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) 1995-1997 Land Use/Land Cover information to identify active agricultural lands, Existing and Future Sewer Service Area data from the NJ Department of Community Affairs Office of Smart Growth, and soils information from the US Department of Agriculture Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) NJ Important Farmlands Inventory (or the NJDEP where NRCS information is not yet finalized).

The proposed priority system views Prime and Statewide Soils in agricultural use outside Sewer Service Areas as the highest priority for farmland preservation investments,followed by farmland comprised of Other Soils outside Sewer Service Areas. The next level of priority would be extended to Prime and Statewide Soils in farm production in Future Sewer Service Areas, followed by Other Soils in active agricultural use in Future Sewer Service Areas. The lowest priority category would apply to farmland in Existing Sewer Service Areas, with Prime and Statewide Soils ranking above Other Soils in these largely developed areas. The SADC is completing the process of updating the map information in conjunction with the CADBs and will incorporate this priority system into a proposed update of the SADC comprehensive application ranking criteria in the months to come. For more information on the Strategic Targeting Project or the Draft Farmland Preservation Priorities, please contact the NJ SADC. The Farmland Preservation Strategic Targeting Project is the cornerstone of an Agricultural Smart Growth Plan for New Jersey, also incorporating innovative conservation planning agricultural economic development, natural resource conservation and agricultural industry sustainability.

No mapping was available for Hudson or Essex Counties. Updated Soil Survey Geografic (SSURGO) files were not available for Gloucester, Salem and Sussex counties. For those counties, DEP soils files were used.

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