

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

TAKE NOTICE that the Borough of Bellmawr has filed a request with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP), Green Acres Program, proposing the disposal of 0.747 acre and diversion of 0.013 acre of Green Acres-encumbered parkland at the Bellmawr Baseball League Fields, located at Essex Avenue, Block 49, Lot 1.02 in the Borough of Bellmawr, in connection with construction of the New Jersey Department of Transportation's (NJDOT) Route 295 & 42 / I-76 Direct Connection Project. The Borough of Bellmawr proposes to compensate for this loss with replacement parkland, located immediately adjacent to the existing park, and will provide space for a proposed batting cage, parking lot, and stormwater basin. The proposed replacement parkland is 1.711 acres in size.

Address	Block/Lot	Replacement Area (Ac.)
48 Essex Avenue	55/3, 56/1 & 2, Vacated Essex Avenue	0.854
44 Essex Avenue	56/3	0.237
Coolidge Avenue	56/4 & 5	0.172
Coolidge Avenue	roadway ROW	0.007
Essex Avenue	public ROW	0.440

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:36-26.8, a Public Hearing to obtain public comment on this request will be held at:

Bellmawr Ballroom, 29 Lewis Avenue Bellmawr, NJ

March 8, 2012 – 6 PM to 8 PM

The application for disposal/diversion has been submitted to Green Acres and is available for review at the Green Acres Office, Borough of Bellmawr municipal offices and public library. Written comments on the diversion request may be directed to the Borough of Bellmawr, Attention: Municipal Clerk, 21 E. Browning Road, Bellmawr, NJ 08099. Please send a copy of any comments submitted on this request to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Green Acres Program, Bureau of Legal Services and Stewardship, Mail Code 501-01, P.O. Box 420, Trenton, NJ 08625-0420. Public comment on this diversion request will be accepted during the Public Hearing or until March 22, 2012.