



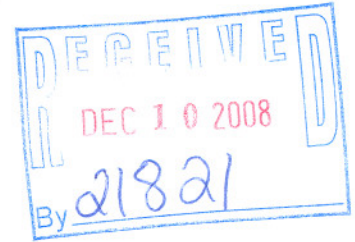
# BOROUGH OF WHARTON ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES

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Eileen Swan  
Executive Director  
State of New Jersey  
Highlands Water Protection and Planning Council  
100 North Road (Route 513)  
Chester, NJ 07930

December 9, 2008

Dear Ms. Swan:

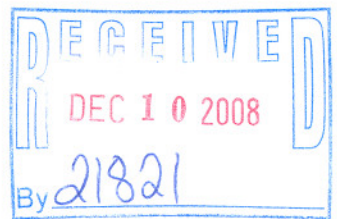
Enclosed please find a certified copy of R-150-08 "Notice of Intent to Petition the Highlands Council for Plan Conformance."

If you have any questions feel free to contact me. Thank you.

Respectfully,

Gabrielle Voight-Cherna  
Borough Clerk

Enclosure



R-150-08

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO PETITION THE HIGHLANDS COUNCIL FOR PLAN  
CONFORMANCE**

WHEREAS, the Highlands Water Protection and Planning Act (Highlands Act), N.J.S.A. 13:20-1 et seq., finds and declares that protection of the New Jersey Highlands is an issue of State level importance because of its vital link to the future of the State's drinking water supplies and other key natural resources; and

WHEREAS, the Highlands Act creates a coordinated land use planning system requiring the Highlands Water Protection and Planning Council (Highlands Council) to prepare and adopt a Regional Master Plan for the Highlands Region and requiring that within nine to 15 months after September 8, 2008, each county and municipality located wholly or partially in the Preservation Area must submit a Petition for Plan Conformance to the Highlands Council for that portion of its jurisdiction lying within the Preservation Area; and

WHEREAS, the Highlands Act specifies that conformance with the Regional Master Plan (Plan Conformance) requires revisions to municipal and county master plans and development regulations as applicable to the development and use of land to align them with the goals, requirements, and provisions of the Regional Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Highlands Council's Plan Conformance Guidelines require that for jurisdictions with any lands in the Preservation Area, a Notice of Intent to conform to the Regional Master Plan must be submitted to the Highlands Council as soon as practicable, but not later than February 1, 2009 and that for any lands in the Planning Area, a Notice of Intent may be submitted at any time; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Wharton lies within the Planning Area of the Highlands Region as defined by the Highlands Act; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of Wharton believes that it is in the best interest of the borough to conform to the Regional Master Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Governing Body of Wharton hereby provides the Highlands Council with this Notice of Intent to petition the Highlands Council for Plan Conformance for all lands lying within the Planning Area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, This Notice of Intent additionally specifies that the Governing Body of Wharton intends to include all lands lying with the Planning Area in the petition. In accordance with the Highlands Council's Plan Conformance Guidelines, this Notice of Intent is not binding with respect to lands within the Planning Area.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, this Notice of Intent provides notice to the Highlands Council that the Governing Body of Wharton has set September 30, 2009 as the target date for submission of a Petition for Plan Conformance. The Borough Clerk is directed to provide a certified copy of this resolution to the Highlands Council no later than December 31, 2008.

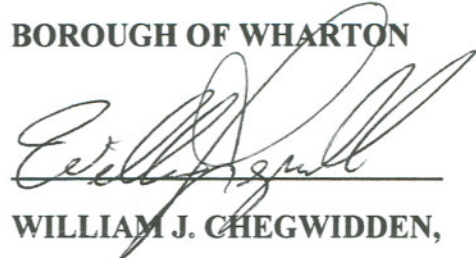
**Adopted: December 8, 2008**

**ATTEST:**



**Gabrielle Voight-Cherna,  
Borough Clerk**

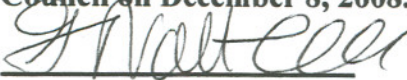
**BOROUGH OF WHARTON**



**WILLIAM J. CHEGWIDDEN,  
MAYOR**

**Certification of resolution**

**I certify that this is a true copy of the resolution adopted by the Borough of Wharton Council on December 8, 2008.**



**Gabrielle Voight-Cherna,  
Borough Clerk**