

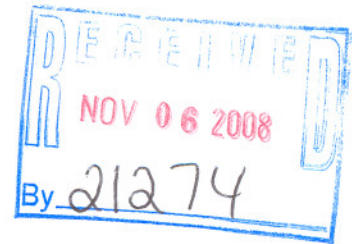
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Eileen Swan
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Highlands Water Protection and Planning Council
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Re: Notice of Intent to Conform

Dear Ms.Swan:

Enclosed please find a certified copy of Resolution #08111, Notice of Intent to Petition the Highlands Council for Plan Conformance, which was adopted by the Far Hills Borough Council at its regular meeting on October 27, 2008.

Very truly yours,

Robin Collins, RMC, CMR
Municipal Clerk

Encl.

.cc David Banisch

**BOROUGH OF FAR HILLS
RESOLUTION 08111
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 the 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 Far Hills lies within the Highlands Region as defined by the Highlands Act; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Far Hills believes that it is in the best interest of the Borough of Far Hills to conform to the Regional Master Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough Council of the Borough of Far Hills hereby provides the Highlands Council with this Notice of Intent to petition the Highlands Council for Plan Conformance for all lands lying within the Preservation Area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this Notice of Intent additionally specifies that the Borough Council of the Borough of Far Hills 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 to the Highlands Council that the Borough Council of the Borough of Far Hills has set December 8, 2009 as the target date for submission of a Petition for Plan Conformance.

I certify this is a true and exact copy
of a resolution adopted by the
Far Hills Borough Council on 10/27/08.


Robin Collins, Municipal Clerk