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December 7, 2009

Ms. Eileen Swan, Executive Director
HIGHLANDS WATER PROTECTION AND PLANNING COUNCIL
100 North Road (Route 513)
Chester, New Jersey 07930

Re: Oxford Township Petition to Conform to the Preservation Area
Within the Regional Master Plan
Oxford Township, Warren County

Dear Ms. Swan:

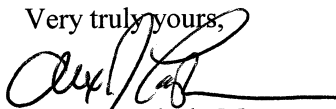
Please find enclosed a Resolution, Submittal Checklist and all other required supporting documentation from the Township of Oxford in conjunction with the Township's petition to conform to the Preservation Area of the Highlands Regional Master Plan and as required by the Highlands Act.

The Township and our Professionals have been diligently working through the Plan Conformance process over the past number of months in preparation for the submittal of this petition. We believe that we have developed and are submitting a complete Highlands Basic Plan Conformance (Preservation Area) application package for your review and hopeful approval.

Please be advised that the Township fully understands that additional work will be necessary to continue to move the petition process forward to achieve full Plan Conformance in the Preservation Area only. At this juncture of the process, we believe that we have addressed all of the statutory requirements pertaining to the Preservation Area to the best of our ability within the time allotted. The Township of Oxford looks forward to continuing to work with the Highlands Council as we move forward with the Plan Conformance process and as we evaluate, in the near future, the benefits of full Plan Conformance (including the Planning Area) for Oxford Township if we so choose to opt in.

Thank you in advance for your favorable consideration of Oxford Township's Petition to Conform to the Preservation Area within the Highlands Regional Master Plan.

Very truly yours,



Alex Lazorisak, Mayor

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Committeeman Bill Bray, w/ encl.
Sheila Oberly, Clerk, w/ encl.
Margaret Housman, Secretary, w/ encl.
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