

## RESOLUTION OF THE NEW JERSEY PINELANDS COMMISSION

NO.	PC4-21-	18	
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TITLE:	Honoring and Recognizing Nancy Wittenberg for Her Achievements as the Executive Director of the
	New Jersey Pinelands Commission

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seconds the mot	tion that:			

**WHEREAS**, Nancy Wittenberg served as the Executive Director of the New Jersey Pinelands Commission from January 3, 2011 until her passing on June 24, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, the New Jersey Pinelands Commission is a state agency that has preserved, protected and enhanced the resources of the 938,000-acre state Pinelands Area for more than 40 years; and

**WHEREAS**, as the Commission's Executive Director, Ms. Wittenberg oversaw the daily operations of the Commission and its staff of approximately 40 planners, environmental reviewers, scientists, educators and other professionals; and

WHEREAS, during her tenure, the Commission completed an in-depth review of the Pinelands Comprehensive Management Plan (CMP), which contains the rules that govern land-use, development and the protection of resources in the Pinelands. This included the formation of a Plan Review Committee that gathered dozens of comments from the public and provided a forum for discussing measures aimed at strengthening the CMP. It also included the issuance of a 183-page report that includes recommendations for future changes to the Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, during her tenure, the Commission adopted five sets of amendments to the Pinelands Comprehensive Management Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, during her tenure, the Commission permanently preserved approximately 8,300 acres of land in the Pinelands Area by providing grants through the Commission's Pinelands Conservation Fund; and

**WHEREAS**, during her tenure, the Commission formed several Committees to address important topics, such as climate change, agriculture and the process to consider Memorandums of Agreement. This also included the formation of several internal working groups that identified and enacted changes that have improved the agency's processes, communication, public reports, letters and other documents; and

**WHEREAS**, during her tenure, the Commission undertook several initiatives aimed at curbing the damages wrought by illegal, off-road vehicle use. This includes adopting a resolution pertaining to roads for motor vehicle use in Wharton State Forest and helping to identify ponds that are vulnerable to damages and have been protected through the installation of wooden barriers; and

WHEREAS, during her tenure, the Commission successfully completed a highly complex, 128-page report that enabled the Pinelands National Reserve to maintain its status as an International Biosphere Region, as designated by United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO); and

**WHEREAS**, during her tenure, the Commission's staff assumed the administration of the Pinelands Development Credit Bank, which is the processing agency for one of the oldest and most successful transfer of development rights programs in the world; and

WHEREAS, during her tenure, the Commission completed and/or launched numerous scientific studies, including several ongoing research projects on rare snakes; and

**WHEREAS**, during her tenure, the Commission installed, dedicated and opened the Candace McKee Ashmun Pinelands Education Exhibit, which features more than 400 square feet of displays that will be

used to raise awareness and appreciation of the Pinelands for decades to come; and

**WHEREAS**, during her tenure, the Commission overhauled the agency's website so that is easier to navigate and to provide the public with far greater access to Commission documents, such as resolutions, meeting minutes, development application information, and links to livestreamed Commission meetings; and

**WHEREAS**, during her tenure, the Commission completed an application that resulted in the successful designation of the Pine Barrens Byway as a National Scenic Byway; and

**WHEREAS**, during her tenure, the Commission persevered during the COVID-19 pandemic by immediately taking steps to ensure that the agency can undertake all facets of its work remotely; and

**WHEREAS**, the members of the Commission want to recognize Ms. Wittenberg for her significant achievements as the Executive Director and express their appreciation for her efforts in carrying out the agency's mission to preserve, protect and enhance the resources of the Pinelands; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 13:18A-5h, no action authorized by the Commission shall have force or effect until ten (10) days, Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays excepted, after a copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Commission has been delivered to the Governor for review, unless prior to expiration of the review period the Governor shall approve same, in which case the action shall become effective upon such approval.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the members of the Pinelands Commission hereby honor and recognize Ms. Wittenberg for her achievements as the agency's Executive Director and extend their condolences to her family, friends and colleagues.

#### **Record of Commission Votes**

	AYE	NAY	NP	A/R*		AYE	NAY	NP	A/R*		AYE	NAY	NP	A/R*
Avery	X				Irick	X				Pikolycky	X			
Christy	X				Jannarone			X		Quinn	X			
Higginbotham	X				Lloyd	X				Rohan Green	X			
Howell	X				Lohbauer	X				Prickett	X			

\*A = Abstained / R = Recused

Adopted at a meeting of the Pinelands Commission

Susan R. Grogan
Acting Executive Director

Richard Prickett Chairman

Date: <u>August 13, 2021</u>



## RESOLUTION OF THE NEW JERSEY PINELANDS COMMISSION

NO. PC4-2	21- <u>19</u>		
TITLE:	<b>Approving</b> With Co 1985-0434.004)	nditions an Application for Public Devel	lopment (Application Number
Commission	ner <u>Lloyd</u>	moves and Commissioner	Lohbauer

**WHEREAS**, the Pinelands Commission has reviewed the Public Development Application Report and the recommendation of the Acting Executive Director that the following application for Public Development be approved with conditions:

1985-0434.004

Applicant: New Jersey Motor Vehicle Inspection Station – Winslow

**Attn: Stephen Moorhatch** 

Municipality: Winslow Township

Management Area: Pinelands Rural Development Area

Date of Report: June 16, 2021

Proposed Development: Installation of a potable water treatment infiltration system at an

existing New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission inspection station

Date: <u>August 13, 2021</u>

**WHEREAS**, no request for a hearing before the Office of Administrative Law concerning the Executive Director's recommendation has been received for this application; and

**WHEREAS**, the Pinelands Commission hereby adopts the Conclusion of the Executive Director for the proposed development; and

**WHEREAS**, the Pinelands Commission hereby determines that the proposed public development conforms to the standards for approving an application for public development set forth in N.J.A.C. 7:50-4.57 if the conditions recommended by the Executive Director are imposed; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 13A-5h, no action authorized by the Commission shall have force or effect until ten (10) days, Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays excepted, after a copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Commission has been delivered to the Governor for review, unless prior to expiration of the review period and Governor shall approve same, in which case the action shall become effective upon such approval.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Application Number 1985-0434.004 for public development is hereby **approved** subject to the conditions recommended by the Executive Director.

## **Record of Commission Votes**

AYE NAY NP A/R\* AYE NAY NP A/R\* AYE NAY NP A/R\*

Avery X | Irick X | Pikolycky | X |

Avery	X		Irick	X		Pikolycky		X	
Christy	X		Jannarone		X	Quinn	X		
Higginbotham	X		Lloyd	X		Rohan Green	X		
Howell		X	Lohbauer	X		Prickett	X		

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June 16, 2021

Stephen Moorhatch (via email) New Jersey Motor Vehicle Inspection Station - Winslow 550 Spring Garden Road Hammonton, NJ 08037

Re: Application # 1985-0434.004

Block 6207, Lot 1 Winslow Township

Dear Mr. Moorhatch:

The Commission staff has completed its review of this application for installation of a potable water treatment infiltration system at an existing New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission inspection station. Enclosed is a copy of a Public Development Application Report. On behalf of the Commission's Acting Executive Director, I am recommending that the Pinelands Commission approve the application with conditions at its July 9, 2021 meeting.

Any interested party may appeal this recommendation in accordance with the appeal procedure attached to this document. If no appeal is received, the Pinelands Commission may either approve the recommendation of the Acting Executive Director or refer the application to the New Jersey Office of Administrative Law for a hearing.

Prior to any development, the applicant shall obtain any other necessary permits and approvals.

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**Director of Regulatory Programs** 

Enc: Appeal Procedure

c: Secretary, Winslow Township Planning Board (via email)
Winslow Township Construction Code Official (via email)

Winslow Township Environmental Commission (via email)

Secretary, Camden County Planning Board (via email)

Robert May (via email)



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## PUBLIC DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION REPORT

June 16, 2021

Stephen Moorhatch (via email) New Jersey Motor Vehicle Inspection Station - Winslow 550 Spring Garden Road Hammonton, NJ 08037

Application No.: 1985-0434.004

Block 6207, Lot 1 Winslow Township

This application proposes installation of a potable water treatment infiltration system at an existing New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission inspection station located on the above referenced 37 acre parcel in Winslow Township.

The existing inspection station is serviced by potable water well. The applicant will be installing a new potable water treatment system within an existing building to manage pH, iron levels and odor. The water treatment system will be periodically backwashed. The applicant will be installing an underground infiltration system to contain and infiltrate the water generated during the backwash process. The underground infiltration system consists of a concrete cylinder shaped tank that is 6.5 feet wide and 3.5 feet deep.

#### **STANDARDS**

The Commission staff has reviewed the proposed development for consistency with all standards of the Pinelands Comprehensive Management Plan (CMP). The following reviews the CMP standards that are relevant to this application:

#### Land Use (N.J.A.C. 7:50-5.26)

The proposed development is located in a Pinelands Rural Development Area. The proposed infiltration system will be accessory to the existing motor vehicle inspection station. The existing motor vehicle inspection station is a permitted land use in a Rural Development Area. Accessory uses to a permitted land use are also permitted in a Pinelands Rural Development Area.

## Wetlands Standards (N.J.A.C. 7:50-6.6)

There are wetlands located on the parcel. The proposed development will be located greater than 300 feet from wetlands.

#### Vegetation Management Standards (N.J.A.C. 7:50-6.23 & 6.26)

The proposed development will be located within an existing maintained lawn area comprised of nonnative grasses. The proposed soil disturbance is limited to that which is necessary to accommodate the proposed development.

The Landscaping and Re-vegetation guidelines of the CMP recommend the use of grasses that are tolerant of droughty, nutrient poor conditions.

## Water Quality Standard (N.J.A.C. 7:50-6.83)

The depth to seasonal high water table at the location of the proposed infiltration system is at least five feet.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

The CMP defines the proposed development as 'minor' development. The CMP does not require public notice for minor public development applications. The application was designated as complete on the Commission's website on May 17, 2021. The Commission's public comment period closed on June 11, 2021. No public comment was submitted to the Commission regarding this application.

#### **CONDITIONS**

- 1. Except as modified by the below conditions, the proposed development shall adhere to the plan prepared by Advanced GeoServices and dated May 20, 2019.
- 2. Disposal of any construction debris or excess fill may only occur at an appropriately licensed facility.
- 3. Any proposed revegetation shall adhere to the "Vegetation" standards of the CMP. Where appropriate, the applicant is encouraged to utilize the following Pinelands native grasses for revegetation: Switch grass, Little bluestem and Broom-sedge.
- 4. Prior to any development, the applicant shall obtain any other necessary permits and approvals.

#### **CONCLUSION**

As the proposed development conforms to the standards set forth in N.J.A.C. 7:50-4.57, it is recommended that the Pinelands Commission **APPROVE** the proposed development subject to the above conditions.



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# PINELANDS COMMISSION APPEAL PROCEDURE

The Pinelands Comprehensive Management Plan (N.J.A.C. 7:50-4.91) provides an interested party the right to appeal any determination made the by Executive Director to the Commission in accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:50-4.91. An interested party is someone who has a specific property interest sufficient to require a hearing on constitutional or statutory grounds. Only appeal requests submitted by someone meeting the definition of an interested party will be transmitted to the New Jersey Office of Administrative Law for a hearing. Any such appeal must be made in writing to the Commission and received by the Commission's office no later than 5:00 PM on July 6, 2021 and include the following information:

- 1. the name and address of the person requesting the appeal;
- 2. the application number;
- 3. the date on which the determination to be appealed was made;
- 4. a brief statement of the basis for the appeal; and
- 5. a certificate of service (a notarized statement) indicating that service of the notice has been made, by certified mail, on the clerk of the county, municipal planning board and environmental commission with jurisdiction over the property which is subject of this decision.

Within 15 days following receipt of a notice of valid appeal, the Executive Director shall initiate the procedures for assignment of an Administrative Law Judge to preside at the hearing pursuant to the Administrative Procedures Act, N.J.S.A. 52:14B-1 et seq., and the procedures established by the Office of Administrative Law. The time, date and location of such hearing shall be designated by the Office of Administrative Law.



# RESOLUTION OF THE NEW JERSEY PINELANDS COMMISSION

NO. PC4-21- <u>20</u>		

TITLE:	Authorizing Certain Members of	of the Pinelands Commission and Stat	f to Sign Checks		
Commissione	r Avery	moves and Commissioner	Lohbauer		
seconds the m	notion that:				

**WHEREAS**, the Pinelands Commission maintains a checking account at The Bank of Princeton to pay operating expenses and clear debts; and

**WHEREAS**, the Pinelands Commission wishes to provide authorization to sign checks to those individuals in the following positions to sign the Pinelands Commission's checks:

1) Richard Prickett, Chairman;

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- 2) Alan Avery, Vice Chair and Chair of the Personnel and Budget Committee;
- 3) Susan Grogan, Acting Executive Director and Director of Planning;
- 4) Charles Horner, Director of Regulatory Programs; and
- 5) Jessica Lynch, Business Manager

**WHEREAS**, two signatures are required for all checks written, including the signature of one of the two authorized Commission members and the signature of one of the three authorized Commission staff members; and

**WHEREAS**, this resolution supersedes any previous resolution of the Commission that authorized check signers by name or position title; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 13:18A-5h, no action authorized by the Commission shall have force or effect until ten (10) days, Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays excepted, after a copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Commission has been delivered to the Governor for review, unless prior to expiration of the review period the Governor shall approve same, in which case the action shall become effective upon such approval.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Pinelands Commission hereby authorizes the following individuals to sign checks:

- 1) Richard Prickett, Chairman;
- 2) Alan Avery, Vice Chair and Chair of the Personnel and Budget Committee;
- 3) Susan Grogan, Acting Executive Director and Director of Planning;
- 4) Charles Horner, Director of Regulatory Programs; and
- 5) Jessica Lynch, Business Manager

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Howell			X		Lohbauer	X				Prickett	X			

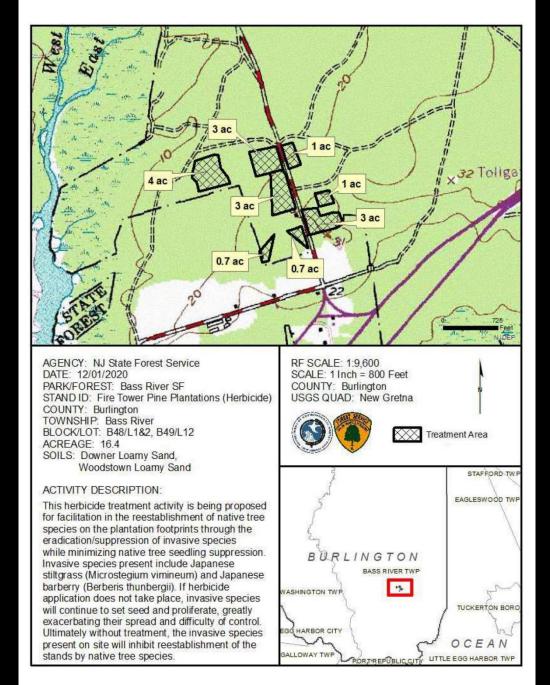
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Adopted at a meeting of the Pinelands Commission

Susan R. Grogan
Acting Executive Director

Richard Prickett
Chairman

Date: August 13, 2021



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The following standards shall apply to silvicultural practices for site preparation, either before or after harvesting:

- ii. Herbicide treatments shall be permitted, provided that:
- (1) The proposed treatment is identified in the forestry application submitted to the Commission pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:50-6.44(b)10;
- (2) Control of competitive plant species is clearly necessary;
- (3) Control of competitive plant species by other, non-chemical means is not practical;
- (4) All chemicals shall be expressly labeled for forestry use and shall be used and mixed in a manner that is consistent with relevant State and Federal requirements