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PINELANDS COMMISSION MEETING

MINUTES
March 13, 2026

All participants were either in-person or present via Zoom conference and the meeting was livestreamed through YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/live/IbXVdtXUyCM>

Commissioners Participating in the Meeting

Nicholas Asselta, Alan W. Avery Jr., Deborah Buzby-Cope, Jerome H. Irick, Mark Lohbauer, Gaetano Matro, Mark Mauriello, William Pikolycky, Jessica Rittler Sanchez, Ryck Signor, Douglas Wallner and Chair Laura E. Matos. Also participating were Executive Director Susan R. Grogan, Deputy Attorney General (DAG) Jay Stypinski and Governor's Authorities Unit representative Michael Eleneski.

Commissioners Absent

Theresa Lettman and Jonathan Meade.

Call to Order

Chair Matos called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m.

DAG Stypinski read the Open Public Meetings Act Statement (OPMA).

Executive Director (ED) Grogan called the roll and announced the presence of a quorum. Twelve Commissioners participated in the meeting.

The Commission pledged allegiance to the Flag.

Minutes

Chair Matos presented the minutes from the Commission's February 13, 2026 meeting. Commissioner Pikolycky moved the adoption of the minutes. Commissioner Mauriello seconded the motion.

The minutes from the February 13, 2026 Commission meeting were adopted by a vote of 12 to 0.

Committee Reports

Chair Matos provided a summary of the February 27, 2026 Policy and Implementation (P&I) Committee meeting:

The Committee approved the minutes from its January 30, 2026 meeting. The Committee heard a project summary on the Forecastle Lake accessible trail completed under a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Commission. Stafford Township administrator, Matthew von der Hayden summarized details of the trail construction, the planting of native trees as a project offset, and the achievement of community goals and benefits realized with the project.

The Committee also received a presentation about a proposed amendment to the local communication facilities (cell tower) plan. A proposed amendment by AT&T would relocate a cell tower site to the Village of Chatsworth and would not increase the overall number of cell tower sites previously authorized in the existing plan. After a discussion about visual impacts, changing technology needs, and the removal and disposal of obsolete/abandoned towers, the Committee voted to recommend the plan amendment to the full Commission for approval.

Executive Director's Report

ED Grogan provided information on the following matters:

- Staff is at the final stage of the Request for Proposal (RFP) process for the Fenwick Manor Rehabilitation project. The evaluation committee met to discuss the bids received. The Personnel and Budget Committee will meet on March 17th in closed session to discuss and recommend a contractor to complete the work detailed in the RFP. It's expected that the contract will be awarded at the April Commission meeting.
- The Audit Committee will meet on March 20th to discuss the Draft Fiscal Year 2022 Audit Report. The Audit Committee consists of two Commissioners and two members of the public. A response to the findings will be prepared, and in the coming months the Commission will vote to accept the audit report.

Commissioner Pikolycky asked if staff had heard about the Commission's appropriation in the Governor's proposed budget. He also asked about the Governor's Executive Order to oversee red tape.

ED Grogan said budget information specific to the Commission has not been shared yet, which isn't unusual. She added that the Governor has issued a series of Executive Orders, one of which was noted in the February Management Report. She said Executive Order 5 is intended to streamline state agency permitting. She said the staff is in the process of filling out a spreadsheet to catalog permits, procedures and timelines related to the Commission's review of development in the Pinelands Area. That spreadsheet will be provided to the Governor's office to inform their efforts to improve affordability and time that it takes for someone to develop in the state. The information is due on April 20th.

Chuck Horner, Director of Regulatory Programs, provided information on the following regulatory matters:

- Staff held a pre-application meeting with an applicant proposing 170 miles of high-capacity broadband fiber optic cable, noting that only 7.5 miles is located in the Pinelands Area, specifically in Maurice River Township. It's anticipated that an application will be submitted soon.
- Maurice River Township is proposing to cap its landfill and develop a solar energy facility on the capped landfill. First, the town must determine the extent of the landfill by using a method of placing transects, which are monitoring lines, throughout the landfill. The Township's application proposed approximately five acres of clearing in order to accomplish the project. Staff suggested modifying the number of transects to reduce the necessary amount of clearing. This could allow for Commission approval of the application and commencement of the landfill delineation without the submission of a full threatened and endangered (T&E) species study. Staff has recommended this approach to other towns proposing similar landfill closure projects.
- Staff continue to work with an applicant proposing the development of a 5.5- acre training yard for electrical trade apprentices in Folsom Borough. As part of the application, a new T&E survey was required for an animal species that was newly designated by New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) in January 2025. That T&E animal species was previously identified in a T&E survey conducted in 2010 for a prior Pinelands application at the site. On January 12, 2026, the applicant submitted the fall 2025 T&E survey results. Staff accepted the negative results of the fall 2025 T&E survey and detailed the additional information necessary to complete the application, including the need for a spring 2026 T&E survey. The applicant is pursuing an Inconsistent Certificate of Filing that will allow them to proceed to the municipality for any necessary approvals, while the T&E survey is being conducted.

April Field, Chief Permit Administrator, provided the following update:

- In 1991, the NJDEP, Pesticide Control Program, and the Pinelands Commission entered into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) to coordinate permitting activities for the chemical treatment of lakes/ponds and aquatic sites in the Pinelands Area. As part of the procedures established in the MOA, a formal application to the Commission for the chemical treatment of lakes/ponds is not required. Instead, NJDEP, Pesticide Control

Program, notifies the Commission of an aquatic pesticide permit application and the Commission provides comments back to NJDEP as to whether the proposed treatment raises issues with Pinelands regulations. If an aquatic site does not constitute a lake/pond as provided in the MOA, a formal application to the Commission is required. On February 13, 2026, staff received notification from the NJDEP, Pesticide Control Program of an application for the chemical treatment of three ponds to eradicate an invasive fish species, Northern Snakehead. The NJDEP Aquatic Pesticide Permit application proposes the chemical treatment of Tindall Lake, Upper & Lower Archway Lakes). The three ponds are in a Regional Growth Area, a Rural Development Area and a Forest Area of Waterford Township. On March 2, 2026, Commission staff indicated to NJDEP, Pesticide Control Program, that the proposed chemical treatment of the three lakes did not raise any issues with respect to Pinelands regulations and NJDEP could issue the permit. The chemical treatment of any additional wetlands (aquatic sites) upstream or downstream would require the submission of a formal application to the Commission. Commission staff met with NJDEP on March 12th, to discuss potential treatment of an additional area identified immediately upstream of Archway Lakes.

Commissioner Lohbauer asked two questions related to the installation of the fiber optic cable. He asked if the application would be considered public development. He also asked if the applicant is proposing Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD).

Director Horner said yes, this application would be reviewed as public development application because Salem County, a public entity, is the applicant. He said the portion of the project in the Pinelands Area will span three different Management Areas: Pinelands Village, Rural Development Area and Forest Area. He said the rules for the Forest Area require that the cable must be underground. Based on preliminary information, some type of drilling will occur to bury the cable but not HDD.

Gina Berg, Director of Land Use Programs, provided an update on the following matters:

- The March P&I meeting will include a presentation on Artificial Intelligence (AI) Data Centers as it relates to the Pinelands Comprehensive Management Plan (CMP) and an update on the Pinelands Conservation Fund (PCF) stewardship monitoring.
- The PCF money that the Commission awarded to the New Jersey Conservation Foundation for a parcel in Evesham Township is proceeding. An appraisal and grant agreement has been shared with the Commission. A metes and bounds survey of the area to receive the grant must be submitted.
- Work continues on recommending new criteria for a Pinelands Infrastructure Master Plan Amendment. Two projects from the 2019 Pinelands Infrastructure Master Plan Amendment continue to make progress.
- Staff is working on a multi-year project for a new application information system funded by the National Park Service. The current system is approximately 20 years old and needs improvements and enhancements, especially with preparing reports.

Commissioner Lohbauer asked what effect the chemical used to treat the invasive species will have on other fish and species in the lake.

Director Horner said essentially all gill breathing animal species will be eliminated. He said that he would share additional details by email.

Stacey Roth, Chief, Legal and Legislative Affairs, provided the following updates:

- Oral argument for the Artistic Materials matter originally scheduled for today, on the motion to compel discovery, has been postponed until Friday, March 27.
- The wait continues for a decision on the Kirkwood-Cohansey rule challenge.
- NJDEP's Resilient Environments and Landscapes (REAL) rules adopted on January 20, 2026 are being challenged in the Appellate Division by Monmouth, Ocean and Cape May Counties. The New Jersey Business and Industry Association along with the New Jersey Builders Association have also filed an appeal challenge. Senate President Nick Scutari has filed a resolution to repeal the REAL rules. Should the resolution pass and make the finding that the REAL rules are inconsistent with the legislative intent, NJDEP would be required to either repeal or revise the rules within 30 days.
- Later this month, Commissioners will receive an email from the State Ethics Commission regarding filing Financial Disclosure Statements.
- The Commission's website has been updated to comply with the new public notice law and language access law. Additionally, pages on the website can now be viewed in seven different languages.

Brad Lanute, Chief Planner, provided the following updates:

- Staff has seen an increase in ordinance and master plan submissions in the last month as municipalities comply with their deadlines for adopting affordable housing implementing ordinances. Staff continues to coordinate with Jackson Township regarding its affordable housing plan and ordinances as they relate to sites in the Pinelands Area. Staff met with township officials in early February. The township has submitted a variety of documents related to those sites. Staff will provide a response to Jackson Township sometime next week.
- Monroe Township recently submitted an adopted redevelopment plan for a parcel in the township's Regional Growth Area. This is a site that was included in their housing element and affordable housing plan. It will most likely require review by the P&I Committee and full Commission.
- Also happening in Monroe Township is an ordinance that was recently on the Township Council's agenda related to the Hexa builders redevelopment plan. The Commission

certified that redevelopment plan in the last two years. The matter has garnered residents' interest. The ordinance is related to various standards associated with data centers. It's staff's understanding that the ordinance was not introduced on first reading. Staff will continue to monitor how the township is responding to and considering those ordinance changes. It's important to note the Commission does not have an application for a data center on this property. The amendment is strictly related to the redevelopment plan and the zoning standards that apply within that redevelopment plan.

- At the February Commission meeting, residents of Manchester Township provided comments and raised questions about ordinance 24-40. Additionally, some Commissioners requested information on the matter. (Chief Planner Lanute showed presentation slides while discussing the ordinance.) The residents were commenting about zoning changes and development located in the township's POR-LI zoning district, which are highlighted in red. In November 2024, Manchester adopted an ordinance that would eliminate townhouse development from the POR-LI zone. Townhouse development is permitted at a density of eight dwelling units per acre. This zone also allows for a variety of non-residential uses. It was formerly a professional office and research and light industrial zone. In December, Commission staff sent a letter to the township that indicated that the ordinance raised a substantial issue due to the reduction in residential zoning capacity and Pinelands Development Credit (PDC) potential. In early 2025, Commission staff had multiple meetings with the township to discuss their intentions related to the zoning change and raise staff's concerns. Staff conducted an in-depth analysis of the township's entire Regional Growth Area and determined that there was little to no opportunity to shift that residential density and PDC opportunity to other sites within the Regional Growth Area. In January of this year, the township introduced an ordinance that would repeal ordinance 24-40. The latest public hearing is scheduled for March 23rd. Manchester Township is in the process of amending its housing element and fair share plan. Approximately one-third of Manchester's Regional Growth Area residential zoning capacity and PDC potential remains at these sites, with no PDC redemptions to date. See attached presentation slides.

Director Horner noted that the last slide depicts the actual two sites that the residents were concerned with. There are two different applications with the Pinelands Commission proposing a significant number of residential dwelling units. Certificates of Filing have been issued for both of those projects.

Paul Leakan, Communications Officer, provided an update on the 37th Annual Pinelands Short Course at Stockton University. More than 450 people attended the daylong event, which included 39 educational presentations. He thanked Joel Mott for his excellent organization of the event.

Some photos from the Short Course were displayed, including (see attached):

- Patrick Burritt, a Commission Research Scientist, who delivered a wonderful presentation on box turtles;
- Live animals from the Woodford Cedar Run Wildlife Refuge in Medford;

- A performance by local folk band Jackson Pines; and
- Katie Elliott, a Commission Planning Specialist, who was vital in helping to process sales of our Pinelands merchandise. We had record-breaking sales, netting \$1,252.

Mr. Leakan noted that the course and event evaluations were overwhelmingly positive, with nearly 98% scoring the event as Excellent or Good. He said that our attention will now turn to planning our Summer Short Course, which will be held on July 17th in Hammonton.

Commissioner Buzby-Cope left the meeting and did not vote on the remaining agenda items.

Public Development Projects and Other Permit Matters

Chair Matos introduced a resolution for two public development applications.

Commissioner Lohbauer made a motion Approving With Conditions Applications for Public Development (Application Numbers 2025-0141.001 & 2025-0169.001) (See Resolution # PC4-26-03). Commissioner Pikolycky seconded the motion.

Director Horner said Stafford Township is proposing the installation of 4,200 linear feet of sanitary sewer force main in the Ocean Acres section of the municipality. This is located in a Regional Growth Area. The other application is for the demolition of a 148 square foot building and improvements to a pump station in Pemberton Township.

The resolution was adopted by a vote of 11 to 0.

Planning Matters

Chair Matos introduced a resolution to amend the 2003 AT&T Plan.

Commissioner Mauriello made a motion Issuing an Order to Certify the First Amendment to the 2003 AT&T Plan, submitted by New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC d/b/a AT&T (See Resolution # PC4-26-04). Commissioner Irick seconded the motion.

Chief Planner Lanute provided background information on wireless communication facilities since the last time the Commission approved an amendment to a local communication plan was in 2017. Mr. Lanute provided an overview of the Commission's regulations related to Local Communication Facilities, AT&T's proposed amendment and staff's findings as it relates to consistency with the CMP.

He said the CMP has had height regulations since the beginning, primarily to protect the scenic resources of the Pinelands Area. Two management areas, the Regional Growth Area and Pinelands Towns do not have height regulations. However, municipalities still have discretion over setting limits within those areas. Elsewhere in the Pinelands, there's a 35-foot height limit, which covers approximately 89% of the Pinelands Area. He reviewed the structures that are

exempt from the 35-foot height limit. Cell towers and local communications facilities were not among exempt structures until the CMP was amended in the mid-1990s.

Mr. Lanute defined a Local Communications Facility (LCF) as an antenna and any supporting structure together with associated accessory facilities. The amendments that the Commission adopted in 1995 allowed local communication structures to exceed 35 feet, provided that there was demonstrated need for the facility, and that if there were existing suitable structures that they be used when feasible for areas outside of the Regional Growth Areas and Pinelands Towns.

He said any new towers must accommodate collocation of multiple carriers and various siting and visual impact standards must be met. Importantly, the CMP requires comprehensive planning among wireless carriers, with the goal of ensuring that towers within the most conservation-oriented management areas in the Pinelands Area are kept to a minimum. Typically, these plans are submitted jointly by providers and include five- and ten-year planning horizons. He said wireless plan amendments build upon those preceding plans.

Mr. Lanute reiterated that a major objective of the comprehensive planning was to ensure that the least number of LCF are cited in the Pinelands Area's most restrictive management areas. The map on Slide 7 displays the areas in green where the Commission has tried to ensure that the least number of towers are cited.

He said certification of the comprehensive plan does not approve an individual site at a specific location. Instead, it allows for a tower to be sited in an area where there is a demonstrated gap in coverage. The wireless provider would then apply to the Commission with a development application for each new tower. During that time, the Regulatory Programs staff will review the application to ensure that the site is consistent with a certified plan, that it meets all of the CMP's environmental standards related to wetlands and threatened endangered species, and that it meets the siting standards for local communications facilities.

He said AT&T has submitted an amendment to the 2003 AT&T plan that was certified by the Commission back in 2003. He provided important background details regarding the need for the amendment. In 2020, a development application was submitted by AT&T for 120-foot local communications facility tower at the Woodland Volunteer Fire and EMS station in the Village of Chatsworth. The Commission issued a Certificate of Filing and municipal approvals were first granted in September of 2020. At that time, staff determined that the FirstNet antennas that were going to be sited at this facility did not qualify as an accessory use to the fire station because it also permitted the general public to utilize the cellular communications.

There was no site within the Village of Chatsworth that was approved in a previously certified comprehensive plan. Staff advised AT&T that to move forward with citing an antenna it would need to amend their plan. The approval of this amendment will replace a site just outside the Village of Chatsworth (Site 041) with a new site (Site 400) centered around the Village of Chatsworth. Site 041 is located in the Preservation Area inside Wharton State Forest, and there are several obstacles for that site to actually be feasible. As part of its submission, AT&T evaluated the potential for siting at other existing towers within the area and determined that they were too far away from the gap in coverage or the existing tower was at its maximum capacity in terms of existing antennas. He said these factors are important justifications for

demonstrating that there's a need for the facility and that there aren't existing towers and tall structures in the area.

He said the Commission hired an independent radio frequency consultant that confirmed that there was a gap in coverage for this area. It was also confirmed that the existing authorized or nearby facilities would not be able to address that gap. Mr. Lanute noted that the consultant was hired as part of an RFP process and paid for through an escrow submitted by AT&T. The amendment will replace an existing site with a more feasible site for a communications tower.

Mr. Lanute reiterated that when AT&T submits a development application, it's during that time when visual impacts of the tower will be reviewed more closely because a specific site will be chosen.

Mr. Lanute noted that during the discussion at the P&I Committee meeting he misspoke on an existing regulation in the CMP. He said the CMP does have a regulation that municipalities are required to adopt into their code specifically related to when a cell tower is no longer in use. The code states that any facility must be removed and restored within 12 months of it ceasing operations.

Commissioner Lohbauer said he remains concerned about the viewshed impacts since the amendment is moving the site from the edge of downtown Chatsworth to the actual downtown.

Mr. Lanute said he understands the concern, however through the planning process, it has been demonstrated that there is a need for coverage in the area.

Link to the Presentation:

https://nj.gov/pinelands/home/presentations/2026_03_13_PC_ATTPlanAmendment.pdf

The resolution was adopted by a vote of 11 to 0.

Public Comment on Development Applications and Items Where the Record is Open

No one provided comment on any of the five Public Development applications listed on the agenda.

Ordinances Not Requiring Commission Action

Chief Planner Lanute said staff reviewed five municipal ordinances that did not raise any substantial issue. The ordinances were related to tree removal and replacement.

Other Resolutions

Chair Matos introduced a resolution recommending approval of the Commission's 2025 Annual Report.

Commissioner Lohbauer made a motion To Approve the Pinelands Commission's 2025 Annual Report (See Resolution # PC4-26-05). Commissioner Pikolycky seconded the motion.

ED Grogan said the Pinelands Protection Act and Executive Order # 37 (Corzine) require the preparation of an Annual Report. She highlighted the work from each office at the Commission. She said 2025 was a busy year in which staff spent a great deal of time on the ruling making process that included the adoption of CMP amendments that redesignated over 2,000 acres from a Rural Development Area to a Forest Area and established expirations dates for old waivers of strict compliance and Certificates of Filing. Permanently protected land increased with the addition of approximately 5,000 acres. The Regulatory Programs office received 359 new applications. The Communication's office responded to over 700 inquiries. She encouraged everyone to read the Annual Report which provides a more extensive look and explanation of the Commission's work. Link to the Report: [2025 Annual Report](#)

Link to the 2025 Annual Report Presentation:

<https://nj.gov/pinelands/home/presentations/2025%20Annual%20Report%20Presentation%20for%20PC%20Meeting.pdf>

The resolution was adopted by a vote of 11 to 0.

General Public Comment

Heidi Yeh of the Pinelands Alliance said the Alliance recently released its State of the Pinelands report: <https://pinelandsalliance.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/02/195687-5335-SOTP26-PRINT-for-Web.pdf>

Ms. Yeh said that the Pinelands Commission is an important layer of protection in government. She said the report gives either a thumbs up or thumbs down to Pinelands-related actions. She said Governor Murphy and the legislature received a thumbs down for not appropriately supporting the work of the Pinelands Commission by not filling Ed Lloyd's vacant seat and not properly funding the Commission to hire staff to address climate change. The Commission received a thumbs up on its accessible trail reform, discussions on artificial turf fields, the redesignation of the headwater of the Black Run and successful educational programs and social media engagement. The Alliance gave the Commission a thumbs down for not updating its protected plant species list. She suggested that AI data centers would be a good issue for the Pinelands Municipal Council to take up.

Ellen Geiss of Monroe Township said she had questions regarding the data center applicant in her town. She was curious about the process and oversight when an applicant receives an Inconsistent Certificate of Filing.

Director Horner said staff would contact her after the meeting but explained the process once an application is deemed complete. He said the Pinelands Commission issues a Certificate of Filing (CF). If there are inconsistencies noted in a CF, such as, for example, stormwater management that may not be designed to meet standards. The CF will indicate that the application is inconsistent. An applicant can use that CF to get local permits and approvals. If a permit or

approval is granted, it must be submitted back to the Pinelands Commission for review, at which time it will be determined if the inconsistency has been resolved or not.

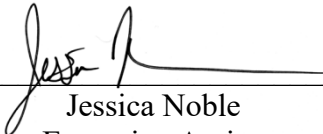
Rebecca Veza of Monroe Township said she had questions about an application submitted by her town that would now permit data centers.

Mr. Lanute said he mentioned this earlier in the meeting. He reiterated that an application for a data center has not been submitted to the Commission. He said that the action that the Monroe Township council was considering this week involved proposed amendments to an existing redevelopment plan that would add standards for data centers. He said the Commission approved a Monroe Township redevelopment plan amendment about a year ago that would allow AI data centers.

Adjournment

Commissioner Pikolycky moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Lohbauer seconded the motion. The Commission agreed to adjourn at 11:13 a.m.

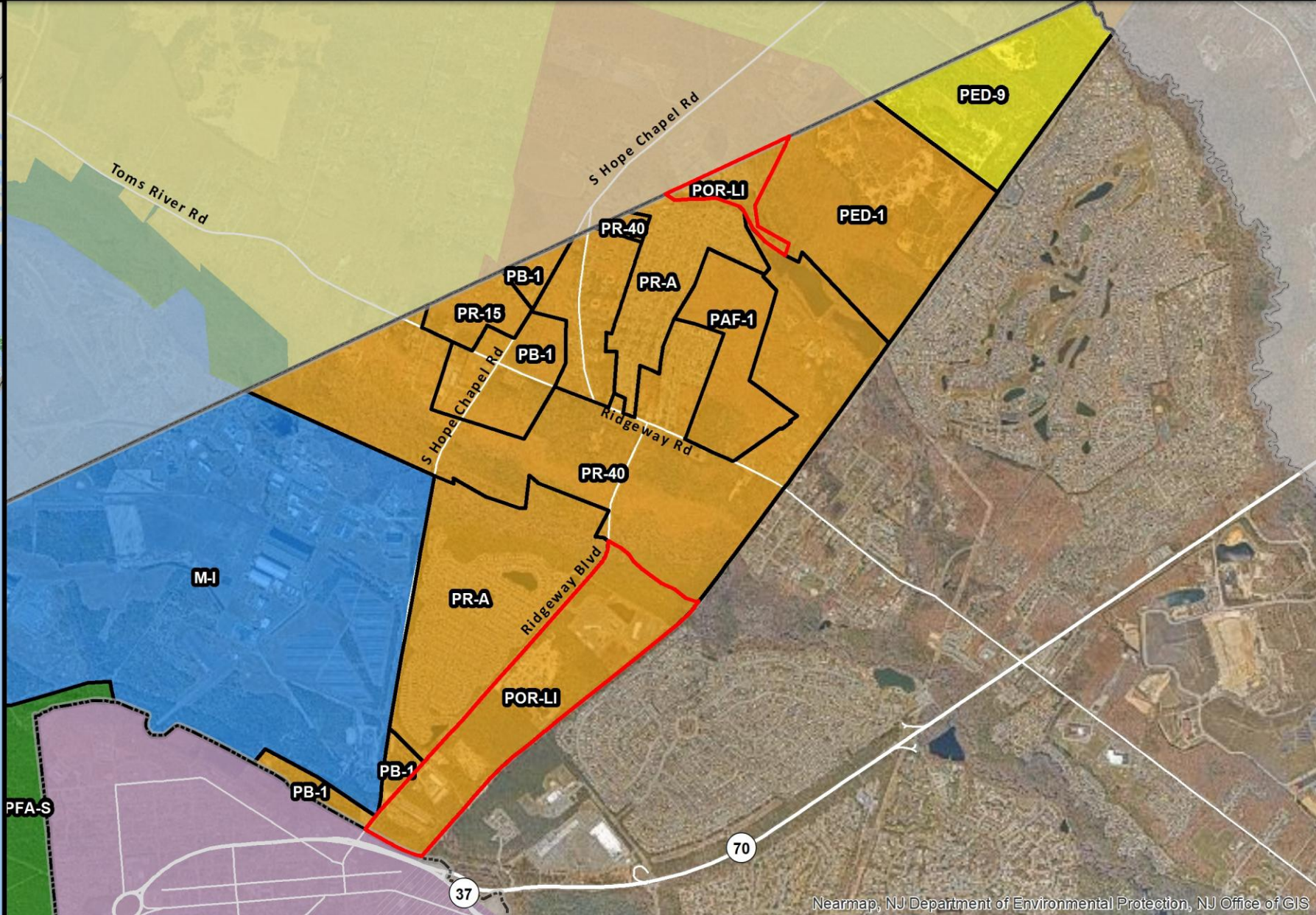
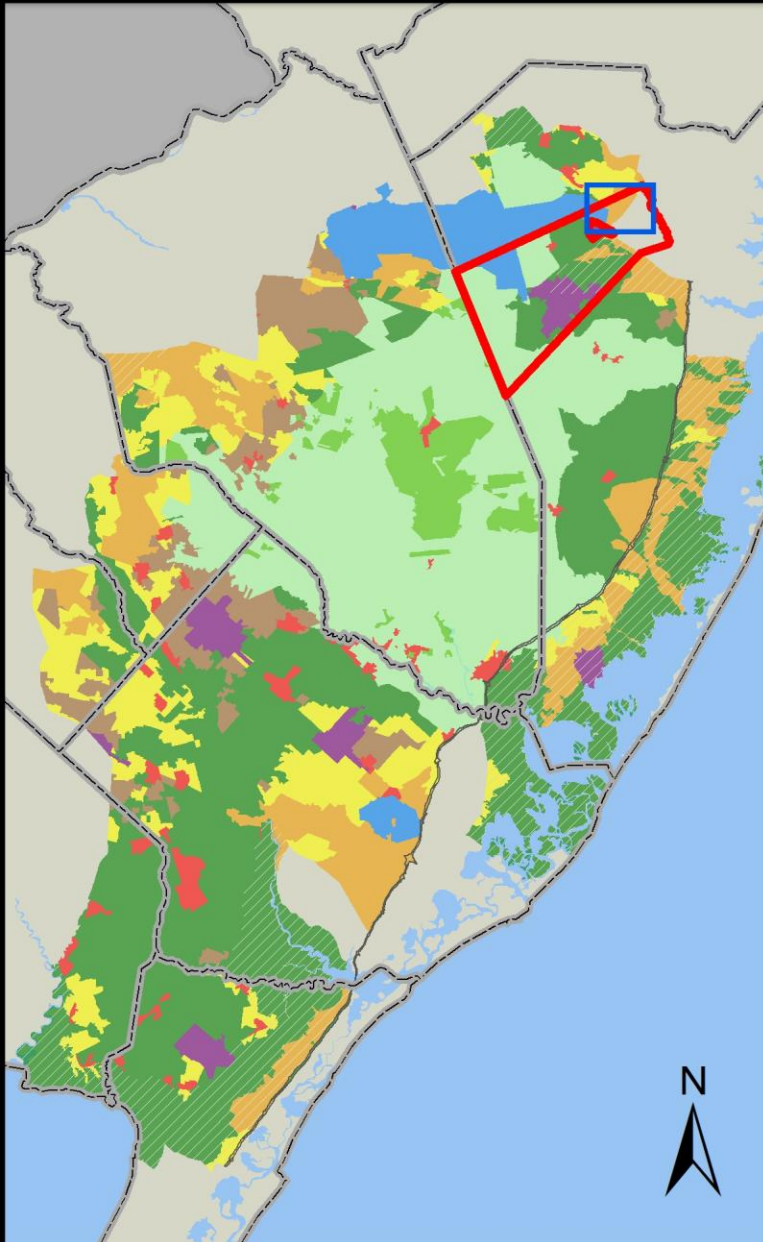
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Jessica Noble
Executive Assistant

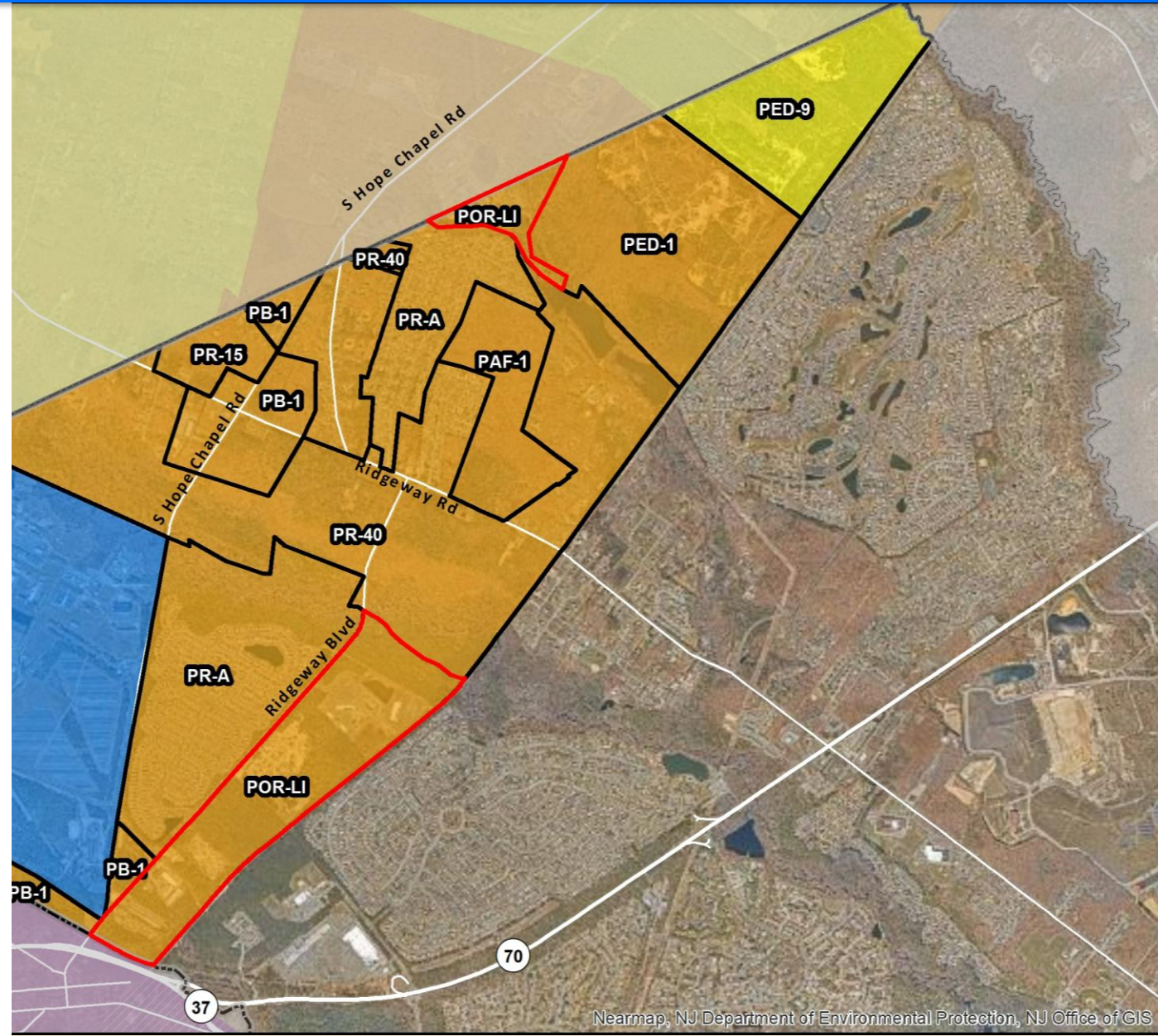
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Manchester Regional Growth Area



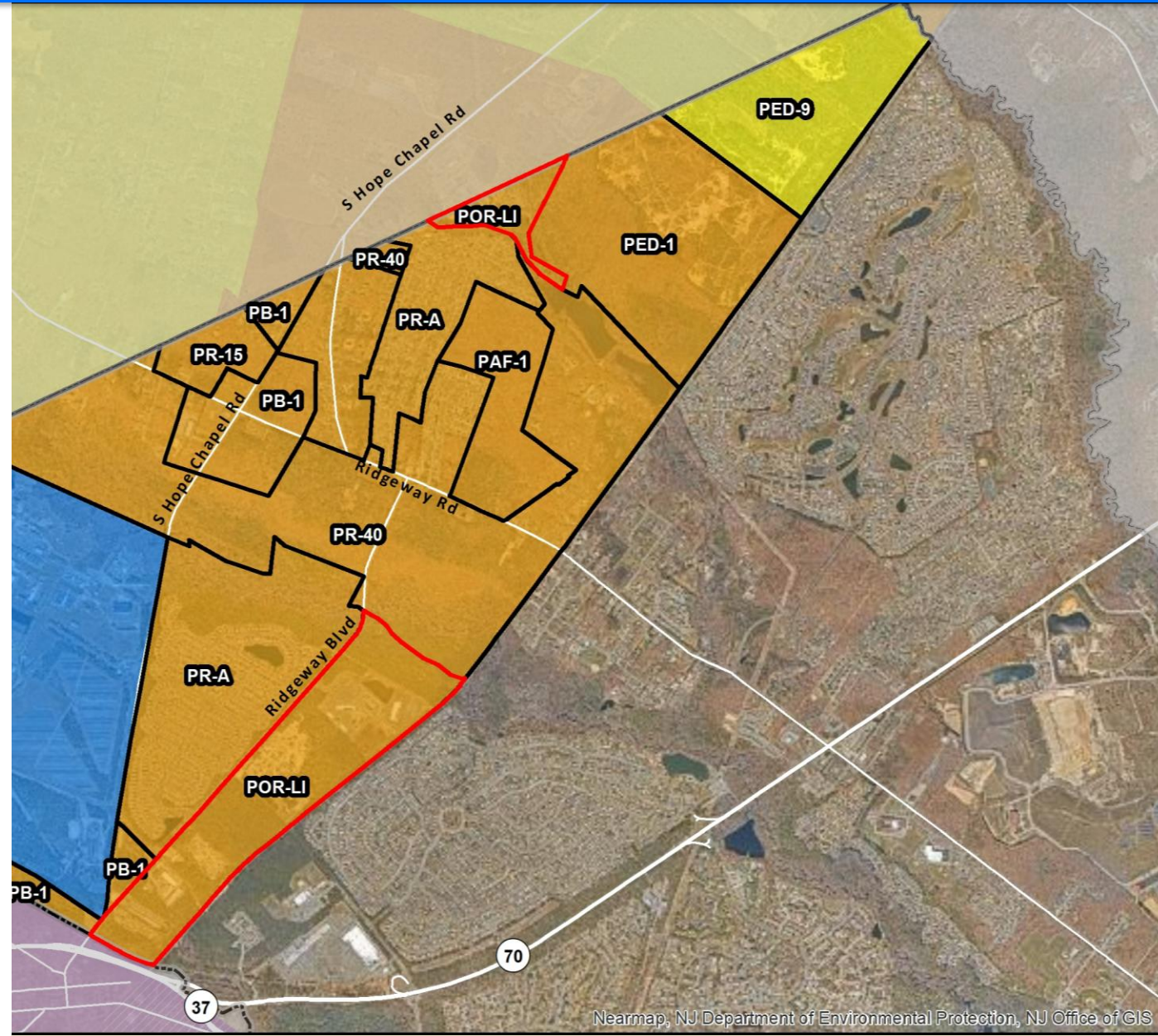
Manchester POR-LI Zoning

- **November 2024:** Manchester Township adopted Ordinance 24-40 eliminating Townhouse development (8 du/acre) as a permitted use in the POR-LI Zone
- **December 2024:** Commission staff finds Ord. 24-40 raises a substantial issue due to the reduction in residential zoning capacity and PDC redemption potential
- **Winter - Summer 2025:**
 - Commission staff held multiple meetings with Township representatives
 - Staff analyzed Manchester's RGA and finding little to no opportunity to shift residential density and PDC opportunities to other areas of its RGA



Manchester POR-LI Zoning

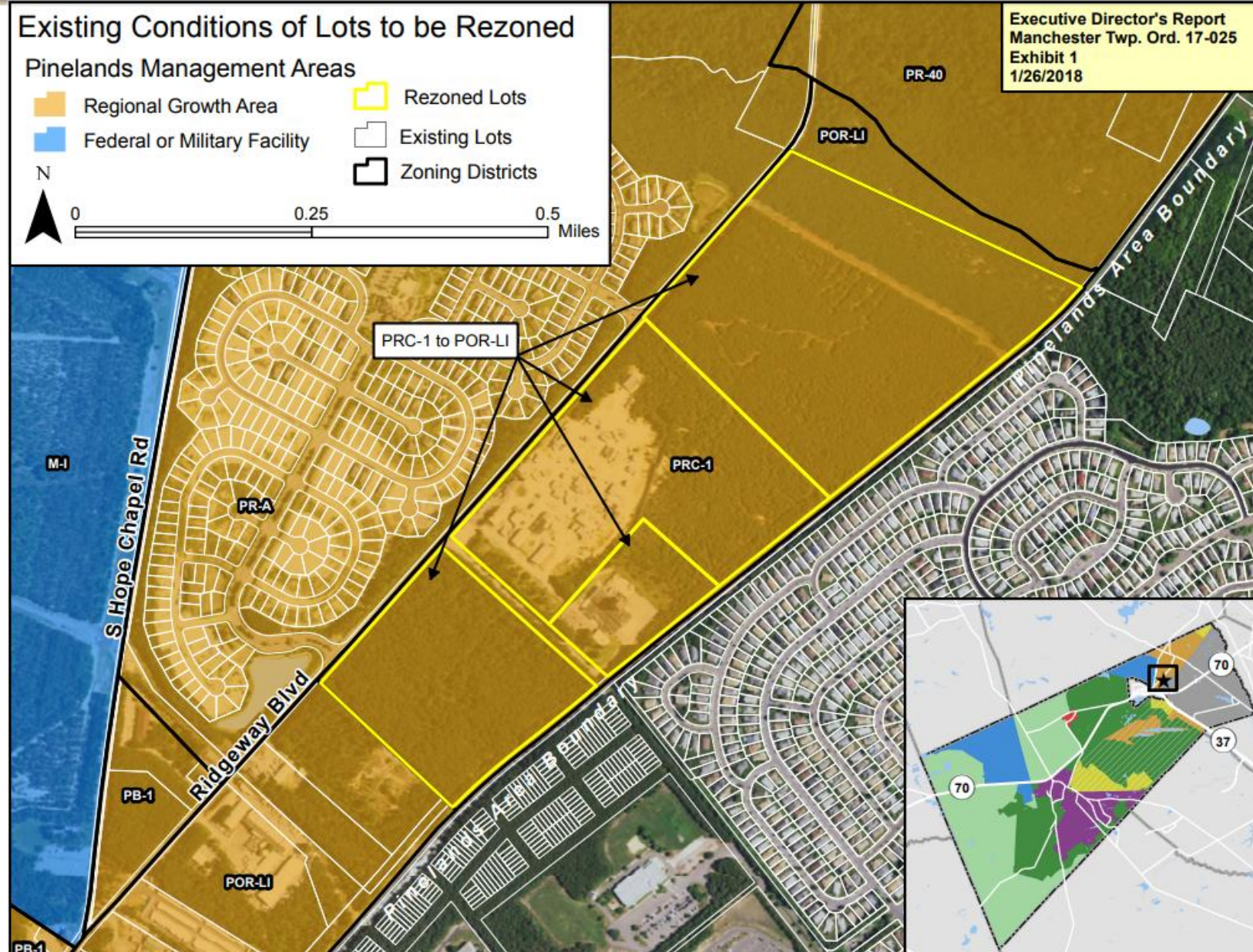
- **January – March 2026:**
 - Manchester introduced Ord. 26-9, repealing Ord. 24-40
 - Township public hearing scheduled 3/23
 - Manchester in the process of amending it's HE&FSP to include two inclusionary housing sites in the POR-LI Zone
 - 531 units total (107 units affordable)



Manchester POR-LI Zoning

Key considerations:

- In 2007, sites currently proposed for inclusion in the HE&FSP were rezoned for residential development based on a builder's remedy settlement agreement
- In 2017, the Township sought to rezone the area back to POR-LI. Township was required to maintain residential development in order to meet CMP density/PDC requirements
- The POR-LI Zone accounts for 1/3 of the Township's RGA residential zoning capacity and PDC potential
- To date, there have been no redemptions of PDCs in Manchester's RGA



Manchester POR-LI Pending Applications



**37TH Annual
Pinelands
Short Course
Stockton
University**

March 7, 2026





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**37th Annual
Pinelands Short Course**

**Campus Center
Parking Lots 1-4**

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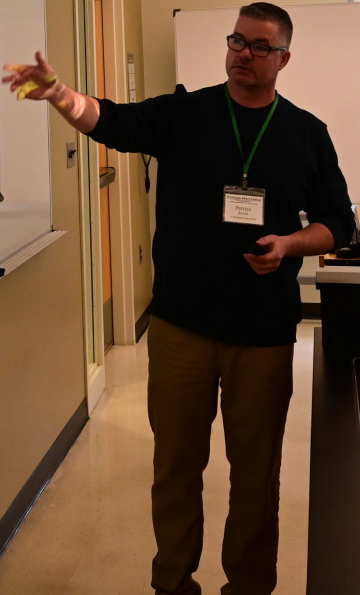




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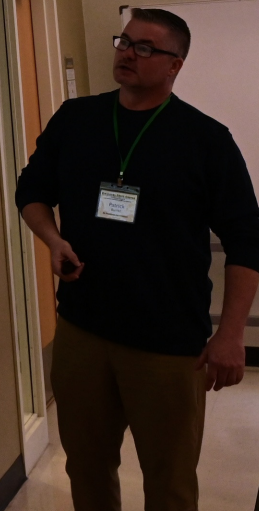
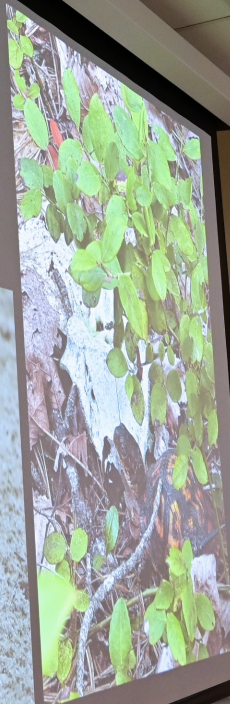
Males are either looking to fight or mate.

The slide features a large photograph of a turtle in a natural, leafy environment. The text is positioned to the right of the main image, with a small inset image showing a different scene.



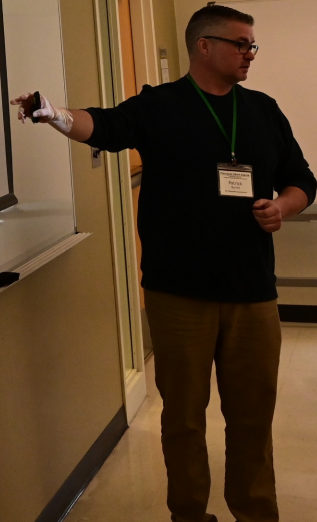
ANYTHING IS ON THE MENU!

- Juvenile eating a deer skull
- Adult female eating a dead baby eastern painted turtle



RADIO TELEMETRY

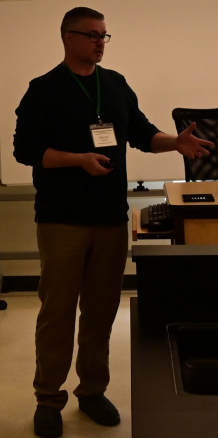
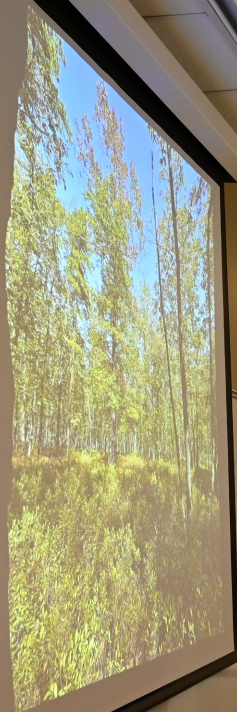
- VHF (very high frequency) transmitters emit a unique pulsed radio signal picked up by the antenna and receiver





USE OF HABITATS

- Box turtles use a very broad range of habitat types.
- Ranging from maple and cedar swamps to pine upland forests.
- Often associated within close proximity to areas with dense shrubs.
- Will use open areas to bask and nest.













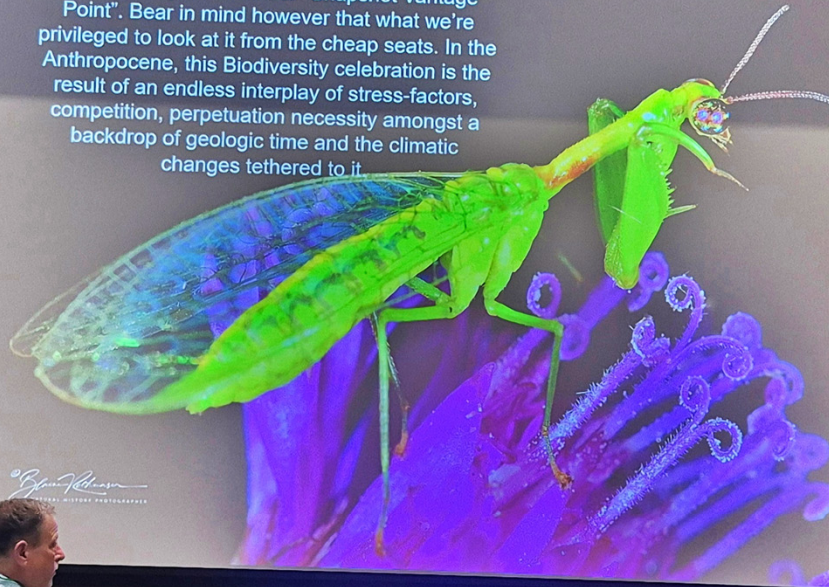








Relationships in the natural world have evolved to be what they are from our "Snapshot Vantage Point". Bear in mind however that what we're privileged to look at it from the cheap seats. In the Anthropocene, this Biodiversity celebration is the result of an endless interplay of stress-factors, competition, perpetuation necessity amongst a backdrop of geologic time and the climatic changes tethered to it.



Edwin R. Johnson
NATURE HISTORY PHOTOGRAPHERS



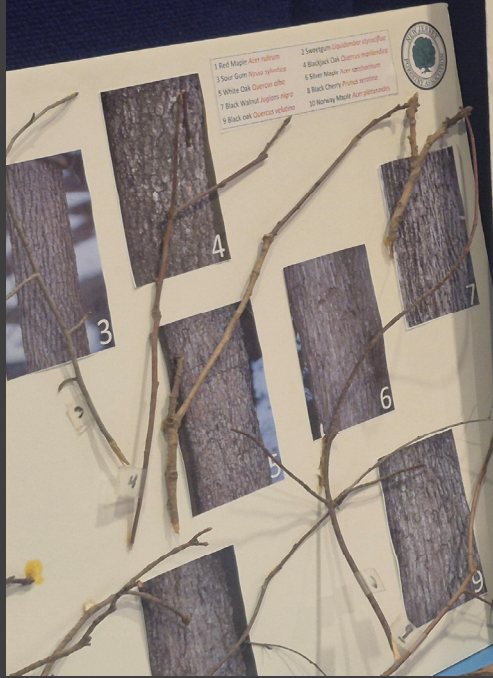






Supports Wildlife

Why manage a forest? A forest without management is like a person without a doctor or a car without a mechanic. It will do as for nature. At some point in time, it will start to become unhealthy, disease-ridden, support less wildlife. **Forestry is important for healthy woods!**



...in their estate plans, those who have
or more annually, those who have given for 15 or
consecutive years and those whose lifetime
contributions equal \$25,000 or more.

2025-26 Stockton Society Members

Gormley Family Foundation, Inc.

John Graham

Janet Gravitz

Joan Gravitz

Mr. Sander Greenberg

Roland Hagan, Sr.

Richard Hand '73

Edwina Hansen

Mary Hardeick

Glenn Herdeg

Robin Marie Hernandez-Mekonnen

Highland Resource Group, LLC

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Diane Holtzman

Donald & Colleen Hudson

Scott Huston '06

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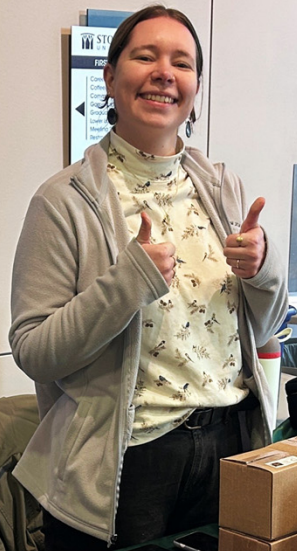


Table display with various items:

- Stacks of "Explore Pristine Nature" brochures.
- Stacks of "Pinelands Note Cards" with descriptive text: "Each box set includes 12 note cards (three illustrations per box) with 12 envelopes. The three cards - a Pinelands Mallard, a dwarf or 'pygmy' pine forest and a Pine Sayer parula - were illustrated by Glenn Marburg. \$12 per box set."
- Stacks of "Pinelands Magnets" with descriptive text: "These magnets feature nature-themed illustrations of Pinelands wildlife. The set includes three magnets and is available in two sizes. \$12 per magnet set box for four."
- Stacks of "Pinelands Paper Cards" with descriptive text: "These cards feature nature-themed illustrations of Pinelands wildlife. The set includes three cards and is available in two sizes. \$12 per card set box for four."
- Stacks of "Pinelands Summer Short Course" brochures.
- Two mugs on wooden blocks.
- Large stack of papers or brochures.
- Small informational cards.