



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to Section 816 (2) of the Adirondack Park Agency Act and the Adirondack Park State Land Master Plan, the Adirondack Park Agency will hold public hearings regarding the classification of lands owned by the State of New York.

The action involves the proposed classification and reclassification of State lands and waters in the vicinity of Lows Lake and the Five Ponds Wilderness Area in St. Lawrence and Hamilton Counties within the Adirondack Park. The action involves five State land classification proposals that include recently acquired State lands and the lake bed and waters of Lows Lake, totaling approximately 4,384 acres, to Wilderness. This action also involves four State land reclassifications proposals, totaling an estimated 8,161 acres, from Primitive to Wilderness. Total acreage involved in the proposal is approximately 12,545 acres. One additional alternative under consideration would include the proposed classification of the lake bed and waters of Bog Lake, with an estimated area of 221 acres, to Wilderness. This action only involves the classification and reclassification of State lands according to the provisions of the Adirondack Park State Land Master Plan.

The purpose of the hearings is to afford an opportunity for public comment. Any person may present an oral or written statement in regard to the proposed reclassifications. Written comments will be accepted through August 28, 2009.

Public hearings will be held on the following dates and locations:

Date: Monday, July 13, 2009 **Time:** 11:00 AM
Location: SUNY ESF Ranger School
257 Ranger School Road
Wanakena, NY 13695

An informal information session will begin at 11:00 AM and the formal public hearing will begin at 11:30 AM.

Date: Monday, July 13, 2009 **Time:** 5:30 PM
Location: Long Lake Town Hall
1204 Main Street
Long Lake, NY 12847

An informal information session will begin at 5:30 PM and the formal public hearing will begin at 6:30 PM.

Date: Monday, July 20, 2009 **Time:** 12:00PM
Location: NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation
Room PA 129B
625 Broadway
Albany, New York 12233

An informal information session will begin at 12:00 PM and the formal public hearing will begin at 12:30 PM.

Description of the proposed action can be found on the Adirondack Park Agency's website at www.apa.state.ny.us or at the Adirondack Park Agency's headquarters in Ray Brook. For further information regarding the proposed classification, contact Rick Weber, Adirondack Park Agency, PO Box 99, Ray Brook, New York 12977; Telephone (518)891-4050