

2018 Agency Board Highlights

ADMINISTRATION

- **Executive Director Announcement of Envision Adirondacks Intern Appointment** – Chad Greveling (January 2018)
- **Executive Director Announcement of Staff Retirements** – Suzanne McSherry, Environmental Program Specialist 2 and Ed Snizek, Supervisor, Natural Resource Analysis (May 2018)
- **Earth Day/ Arbor Day Tree Dedication** – Tree dedication in honor and remembrance of John Collins, Jr. (May 2018)
- **Executive Director Announcement of Staff Retirements** – Steven Brewer, Senior Attorney and John Barge, Mapping Technologist 3 (June 2018)
- **Executive Director Announcement of Staff Appointment** – Mathew Brown, Environmental Program Specialist (July 2018)
- **Tour of the Olympic Ski Jump Complex and Mt. Van Hoevenburg Olympic Sports Complex** (August 2018)
- **Executive Director Announcement of Staff Appointments** – Molly Jordan, Mapping Technologist 1 and Kathy Regan, Supervisor, Natural Resource Analysis (November 2018)

- **Executive Director Announcement of Staff Appointment**
– Rick Weber, Deputy Director, Planning (December 2018)

FULL AGENCY

- **Chairman Sherman Craig Announcement of Resignation as of July 31** – Names Karen Feldman Acting Chair as of August 1 (July 2018)
- **Local Government Review Board Executive Director, Fred Monroe Announcement of Retirement** – Names Jerry Delaney as new Executive Director (September 2018)

ECONOMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

- **Adirondack Watershed Institute Business Community Outreach Program** – Tom Williams presented on the AWI invasive species Business Community Outreach Program (April 2018)
- **Ward Lumber Presentation** – Jay Ward discussed his forest products business (June 2018)

LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES

- **Town of Caroga Approved Local Land Use Program Amendment** - Presentation by Kate-Lyn Knight. The Board unanimously approved the repeal and replacement of the Town of Caroga, Fulton County, Land Use Code

PARK ECOLOGY

- **Lake Champlain Basin Program Overview** – Presentation by Dr. Eric Howe, Program Director (May 2018)
- **Little Moose Field Station** – Presentation by Dan Josephson, Cornell University (December 2018)

PARK POLICY AND PLANNING

- **Renewable Energy Production, Supply and Conservation** – Presentation by Dr. Chad Dawson, Member (September 2018)
 - The Board authorized the policy to proceed to public comment on the update (November 2018)
 - Discussion of the Agency draft policy (December 2018)
- **Wind and Solar Flyer, DAP Energy Guidance** – Presentation by Jennifer Hubbard (September 2018)

PUBLIC AWARENESS AND COMMUNICATIONS

- **Incubator Space to Nurture Adirondack-oriented Entrepreneurs** – Presentation by Jeff Allott (January 2018)
- **Adirondack Diversity Initiative** – Presentation by Peter Nelson and Melanie Reding (March 2018)
- **J&L Presentation** – Presentation by Gary McCullouch, DEC (July 2018)
- **NYSDEC Overview of Adirondack Park Conservation Easements** – Presentations by Rob Davies, Jim Sessions, Sean Reynolds, Peter D’luhosch, DEC (November 2018)

- **Perspectives from Private Forest Landowners –** Presentation by John Bartow, Empire State Forest Products Association and Tim Burpoe, Molpus Woodlands Group (December 2018)

REGULATORY PROGRAMS

- **2017-216-NYS DEC –** Ariel Lynch presented a project involving a new universally- designed accessible campground to be known as the Frontier Town Campground, Equestrian and Day Use Area, Town of North Hudson, Essex County. The Board unanimously approved the project. (January 2018)
- **2016-58-NYSEG –** Tom Saehrig presented a project involving the rebuild of the 46kV transmission line running from Kent Falls substation to High Falls substation, Town of Saranac, Clinton County. The Board unanimously approved the project. (February 2018)
- **Report on Variances for Delegated Approval, Variance Application Update, and Large-scale Subdivision Application Update –** Report by Rick Weber (March 2018)
- **P2017-0211 – Adirondack Treetop Adventure –** Devan Korn presented a project in the Town of Lake Luzerne, Warren County involving a new treetop adventure course tourist attraction consisting of 36 platforms and 44 obstacle features suspended from mature trees within the existing forest. The Board unanimously approved the project (April 2018)

- **P2017-228 – ORDA and Town of Johnsbury** – Tom Saehrig presented a project in the Town of Johnsbury, Warren County, involving extending and re-aligning Lift 13 (the Village Chair), creating a short new Alpine Trail (12N) to connect the new top of Lift 13 with Moxham ski trail, installing new lighting at the top of Lift 13, Trail 12N and Moxham Trail between Trail 12N and the Village Slopes and converting the current Half and Half glades to an alpine trail. ORDA will also install a high ropes course, a non-linear zip coaster, a miniature golf course and a summer tubing hill having a footprint of approximately 22,500 square feet. Additional lighting will also be installed for parking, safety and security. The village will acquire approximately 3.85 acres from FrontStreet Mountain Development, LLC to undertake the project. Art Lussi recused himself. The Board unanimously approved the project. (May 2018)
- **P2018-25 – ORDA 814 Order** – Tom Saehrig presented a project in the Town of North Elba, Essex County, involving improvements to the ORDA Olympic Jumping Complex to include: construction of a new K64/HS70 jump; removal of the K48 and K20 jumps and replace them with K37 and K19 jumps; replace the existing chair lift with a new chair lift in a new location; re-grade outruns for the K90 and K120 jumps; construct a new tubing hill; construct a zip line; construct a 20 foot by 20 foot refrigeration building; install an entry plaza to the lodge, add two shooting lanes to the biathlon shooting range, add new permanent lighting for events; and construct a 70 foot by 138 foot garage. Art Lussi recused himself. The Board unanimously approved the project. (June 2018)
- **P2017-189 – Robert and Donna Adams** – Tom Saehrig presented a project in the Town of Long Lake, Hamilton

County, involving a 12 site RV campground with individual water, electric and sewage hook-ups. The Board unanimously approved the project. (June 2018)

- **P2015-20- Larry Koller** – Tom Saehrig presented a project in the Town of North Hudson, Essex County, involving A new 12.7± acre mineral extraction for the mining of consolidated bedrock at a previously authorized sand and gravel mine. The mining operation, to occur from March 1 through December 31, will include blasting, hauling, screening and crushing to produce crushed granular, stone and rip rap materials. Access to the mine will be over an existing sand and gravel mine haul road to Pepper Hollow Road with up to 20 loaded trucks leaving the site daily. The 12.7± acre mine will be undertaken in six phases with an estimated total of 1.4 million cubic yards of available bedrock reserves. The Board unanimously approved the project. (July 2018)
- **P2018-21 – Herkimer County Office of Emergency Services** – Ariel Lynch presented a project in the Town of Webb, Herkimer County, involving Construction of a new 90-foot-tall self-supporting lattice tower on McCauley Mountain with three di-pole antennas and one microwave dish on the tower for emergency services communication. The tower will be approximately 300 feet from and 30 feet higher in elevation than an existing tower, which will remain. An existing ski mountain maintenance work road will be used to access the tower site, which will be extended by a new 230-foot-long access drive. The Board unanimously approved the project. (July 2018)

- **P2015-159 – Fawn Ridge, LLC/Bissell** – Devan Korn presented a project in the Town of North Elba, Essex County, involving "Trailside at Fawn Ridge," a proposed 43-lot residential subdivision of 192 acres partially located within the Village of Lake Placid creating 40 building lots and 3 vacant lots. The building lots will range in size from approximately 1± acre to 8± acres with one single family dwelling proposed for each lot. Of the 40 proposed building lots, 35 are located within an area classified as Moderate Intensity Use, and 5 are located within an area classified as Rural Use on the Adirondack Park Land Use and Development Plan Map. The Board unanimously approved the project. (July 2018)
- **P2014-13 – Lake George Riverview RV Park, LLC** – Tom Saehrig presented a project in the Town of Lake George, Warren County, involving the expansion of a pre-existing campground on Resource Management lands from 94 sites to a total of 167 sites. All sites will be designed to accommodate recreational vehicles. A bathhouse, pavilion, and game-room will be constructed. The expansion will be served by municipal water supply, underground utilities and community on-site wastewater treatment systems. The Board unanimously approved the project. (August 2018)
- **P2018-24 – Charles and Lori Anders** – Virginia Yamrick presented a project in the Town of Black Brook, Clinton County involving a variance request to expand a single-family dwelling located within the shoreline setback. The Board unanimously approved the project. (September 2018)
- **P2018-73 – Christmas and Associates** – Ariel Lynch presented a project in the Towns of Russia and Ohio,

Herkimer County, involving a subdivision of 416 acres into 15 lots ranging in size from 10 acres to 75 acres. The Board unanimously approved the project. (September 2018)

- **P2017-149 - Daren and Peter Fardelmann** – Ariel Lynch presented a project in the Town of Franklin, Franklin County, involving a variance request to replace/ expand a single-family dwelling located within the shoreline setback. The Board unanimously approved the project. (November 2018)
- **P2015-119 - K&C Land Holding, LLC** – Devan Korn presented a project in the Town of Fort Ann, Washington County, involving the establishment of a new commercial use excavation contracting business, including the construction of a new 6,000 square foot building with on-site wastewater treatment system and well water supply, use of an existing storage building, storage of construction equipment and materials, and site improvements for stormwater management, noise control and mitigation of off-site visual impacts. The Board unanimously approved the project. (November 2018)
- **P2018-153 – Lyme Timber Company** – Aaron Ziemann presented a project in the Town of Tupper Lake, Franklin County, involving a proposed timber harvest on a 643-acre portion of a 4,656-acre parcel in Rural Use and Resource Management land use areas. The Board unanimously approved the project. (December 2018)

STATE LAND

- **Black River Wild Forest UMP Amendment**

- Public Draft/For Information – Michael Marsh, DEC (February 2016)
 - Proposed Final Amendment – Michael Marsh, DEC (April 2018)
 - The Board unanimously authorized the UMP to proceed to public comment for SLMP conformance (April 2018)
 - Final Draft – Walt Linck, APA (June 2018)
 - Unanimous Board adoption of Resolution on APSLMP conformance (June 2018)
- **Mount Van Hoevenberg UMP Amendment**
 - Public Draft – Kris Alberga, DEC (August 2016)
 - The Board unanimously authorized the UMP to proceed to public comment simultaneously with DEC (August 2016)
 - Public Draft – Mike Pratt, ORDA (May 2018)
 - Proposed Final – Mike Pratt ORDA (July 2018)
 - Mr. Lussi recused himself. The Board unanimously authorized the UMP to proceed to public comment on APSLMP conformance (July 2018)
 - Proposed Final – Kevin Prickett, APA (August 2018)
 - Mr. Lussi recused himself. The Board unanimously adopted the resolution on APSLMP Conformance (August 2018)
- **2016-2017 Classification Package**
 - Presentation of the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (DSEIS) without the Boreas Tract Alternatives and approval of the public hearing schedule – Kathy Regan October 2016)

- The Board unanimously accepted the DSEIS without the Boreas Tract Alternatives and public hearing schedule and authorized staff to proceed to public comment (October 2016)
- Presentation of the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (DSEIS) of the Boreas Tract Alternatives with Mr. Ernst recused – Kathy Regan (October 2016)
- The Board approved the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (DSEIS) of the Boreas Tract Alternatives with ten in support, one recused (October 2016)
- Elements of the 2016/17 Classification Package With No Action By the Board (February 2017)
- Overview of the 2016/17 Classification Process and Review Criteria - Kathy Regan (February 2018)
- Mapbook Appendix A – Kathy Regan (February 2018)
- Board Consideration of Resolution on SEQRA and APSLMP Determinations for the 2016/17 Classification Package (Excluding the Boreas Ponds Tract) (February 2018)
- The Board unanimously approved the 2016/17 Classification Package Resolution on SEQRA and APSLMP Determinations (excluding the Boreas Ponds Tract) (February 2018)
- The Boreas Ponds Tract Overview with Mr. Ernst recused – Kathy Regan (February 2018)
- Board Consideration of Resolution on SEQRA and APSLMP Determinations for the Boreas Ponds Tract (February 2018)
- The Board approved the Boreas Ponds Tract Resolution on SEQRA and APSLMP Determinations

with 8 ayes, one nay, one recusal, one absent
(February 2018)

- **Saranac Lake Wild Forest UMP**
 - Public Draft – Steve Gugliemli, DEC (June 2017)
 - Proposed Final – Steve Gugliemli, DEC (June 2018)
 - The Board unanimously authorized the UMP to proceed to public comment on APSLMP conformance (June 2018)

- **Siting, Construction and Maintenance of Singletrack Bicycle Trails on Forest Preserve Lands in the Adk Park**
 - Public Draft – McCrea Burnham, DEC, Matt McNamara, APA (August 2017)
 - The Board unanimously authorized the guidance to proceed to public comment simultaneously with DEC. (August 2017)
 - The Board unanimously adopted the Resolution for bicycle trails (March 2018)
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- **Sentinel Range Wilderness UMP**
 - Public Draft – Steve Guglielmi, DEC (November 2017)

- **Primitive Tent Site Guidance**
 - For Information – Walt Linck, Keith Rivers, DEC (October 2015)
 - Guidance Presentation – Kevin Prickett (December 2015)
 - The Board unanimously authorized the guidance to proceed to public comment. (December 2015)

- Public Draft – McCrea Burnham, DEC and Kevin Prickett (November 2017)
- The Board unanimously authorized the guidance to proceed with simultaneous public comment with DEC (November 2017)

- **Whiteface Mountain UMP Amendment**

- For Information – Mike Pratt, ORDA and Karyn Richards, DEC (January 2018)
- Mr. Lussi was recused. The Board unanimously authorized the UMP amendment to proceed to public comment regarding conformance with the APSLMP (March 2018)
- Proposed final UMP amendment – Walt Linck (April 2018)
- Mr. Lussi was recused. The Board adopted the resolution on APSLMP conformance (April 2018)

- **Gore Mountain UMP Amendment**

- For Information – Mike Pratt, ORDA and Karyn Richards, DEC (January 2018)
- Mr. Lussi was recused. The Board unanimously authorized the UMP amendment to proceed to public comment regarding conformance with the APSLMP (March 2018)
- Mr. Lussi was recused. The Board unanimously adopted the Resolution on APSLMP conformance. (May 2018)
- Mr. Lussi was recused. Unanimous Board acceptance of DSEIS and authorization to proceed to public hearing and public comment on APSLMP conformance of the UMP (June 2018)

Gore Mountain Reclassification and UMP Amendment

- Presentation of the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (Kathy Regan, APA and Josh Clague, DEC) (June 2018)
 - Mr. Lussi recused himself. The Board accepted the DSEIS and authorized the reclassification to proceed to public hearing and the UMP amendment to proceed to public comment on APSLMP conformance of the UMP. (June 2018)
 - Presentation of the Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (Kathy Regan, APA)
 - Mr. Lussi recused himself. The Board accepted the FSEIS and adopted the resolution on reclassifications and APSLMP conformance. (August 2018)
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- **Inter-Agency Guidelines for Implementing Best Management Practices to Control Invasive Species on DEC Administered Lands of the Adirondack Park**
 - Public Draft/ For Action – Peter Frank, DEC and Ed Snizek, APA (January 2018)
 - The Board authorized the Guidelines to proceed to public comment simultaneously with DEC (January 2018)
 - The Board unanimously adopted the Resolution for the Inter-Agency Guidelines (March 2018)
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- **Amendments to the Adirondack Park State Land Master Plan (APSLMP) Involving Clarification of the Travel Corridors Classification Category Definition and Guidelines for Management and Use, and Amendment of Related Provisions**

- Draft SEIS/ For Action - Kathy Regan (March 2018)
 - The Board unanimously accepted the DSEIS for the amendment and authorized it to proceed to public comment and public hearings (March 2018)
 - Proposed Final/ For Action – Kathy Regan (December 2018)
 - The Board unanimously adopted the resolution to accept the FSEIS and recommended APSLMP revisions to the Governor (December 2018)
- **Cranberry Lake Boat Lunch UMP Amendment**
 - Public Draft – Richard McDonald, DEC (April 2018)
 - The Board unanimously authorized the UMP to proceed to public comment concurrently with the Department (April 2018)
 - Unanimous Board adoption of Resolution on APSLMP conformance (June 2018)
- **Lake George Beach and Battlefield Park UMP Amendment**
 - Public Draft – Dave Wick, LGPC (April 2018)
 - The Board unanimously authorized the UMP to proceed to public comment (April 2018)
 - Unanimous Board adoption of Resolution on APSLMP Conformance (June 2018)
- **Vanderwhacker Wild Forest UMP Amendment**
 - Public Draft – Rob Ripp, DEC (May 2018)
 - Mr. Ernst recused himself. The Board authorized the UMP amendment to proceed to public

comment simultaneously with DEC to determine APSLMP conformance (May 2018)

- Proposed Final – Rob Ripp, DEC and Matt McNamara, APA (July 2018)
- Mr. Ernst recused himself. The Board unanimously adopted the Resolution on APSLMP conformance (July 2018)

- **High Peaks Wilderness UMP Amendment**

- Public Draft – Tate Connor, DEC (May 2018)
- Mr. Ernst recused himself. The Board authorized the UMP amendment to proceed to public comment simultaneously with DEC to determine APSLMP conformance (May 2018)
- Proposed Final – Tate Connor, DEC and Kevin Prickett, APA (July 2018)
- Mr. Ernst recused himself. The Board unanimously adopted the Resolution on APSLMP conformance (July 2018)

- **Grass River UMP Amendment**

- Proposed Final – Aaron Graves, DEC (June 2018)
- Unanimous Board authorization to proceed to public comment on APSLMP conformance (June 2018)
- Unanimous Board adoption of resolution on APSLMP conformance (November 2018)

- **Travel Corridor UMP Generic**

- Proposed Final – Ed Frantz, DOT (July 2018)

- Unanimous Board authorization to proceed to public comment on APSLMP conformance (July 2018)
- **Brown Tract Pond Public Campground UMP**
 - Public Draft UMP – Josh Houghton, DEC (September 2018)
 - Unanimous Board authorization to proceed to public comment (September 2018)
 - Unanimous Board adoption of the resolution on APSLMP conformance (November 2018)
- **Eagle Point Public Campground UMP**
 - Public Draft UMP – Josh Houghton, DEC (September 2018)
 - Unanimous Board authorization to proceed to public comment (September 2018)
 - Unanimous Board adoption of the resolution on APSLMP conformance (November 2018)
- **Generic Campground UMP Amendment**
 - Public Draft UMP Amendment – Josh Houghton, DEC (September 2018)
 - Unanimous Board authorization to proceed to public comment (September 2018)
 - Unanimous Board adoption of the resolution on APSLMP conformance (November 2018)
- **Hammond Pond Wild Forest UMP**
 - Public Draft UMP – Corrie Magee, DEC (November 2018)

- **Blue Ridge Wilderness UMP Amendment**
 - Public Draft UMP Amendment - Nick Addison, DEC (November 2018)

- **Ski Trail Guidance**
 - Draft Guidance – Kevin Prickett, APA and Eric Kasza, DEC (December 2018)
 - The Board authorized the guidance to proceed to public comment for APSLMP conformance (December 2018)

**Public Hearings on Matters
That Came or Will Come Before the Agency in 2018**

Subject	Date(s)	Location(s)
Parent, Todd & Audra	1/18/18	Town of Bellmont
Kleug, Christian	3/7/18	Town of Northampton
SLMP Travel Corridor Amendment	4/11/18	Ray Brook
SLMP Travel Corridor Amendment	4/24/18	Old Forge
SLMP Travel Corridor Amendment	4/25/18	Albany
Gore Mountain Reclassification and UMP Amendment	6/27/18	Albany
Gore Mountain Reclassification UMP Amendment	6/28/18	North Creek
Willis	7/27/18	Black Brook
Anders, Charles and Lori	8/15/18	Black Brook
Fardelmann	10/18/18	Franklin
McClure/ Adk League Club	10/23/18	Old Forge
Dodge, Nelson	12/18/18	Lake Pleasant
Town of Westport Map Amendment	12/20/18	Westport

Agency Meetings Held in 2018

January 11*
February 1-2
March 8*
April 12
May 10
June 7*
July 12-13
August 9*
Sept 13
Nov 8-9*
Dec 13-14

*Reports Included