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Chairman

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Executive Director

MEMORANDUM

TO: Kathleen Regan
FROM: Matt Kendall
DATE: July 7, 2016
RE: MA2016-02 (Minerva)

The Adirondack Park Agency received application for an amendment to the Official Adirondack Park Land Use and Development Plan Map (the Official Map) from a landowner in the Town of Minerva. The request is for an approximately 1.4 acre parcel to be reclassified from its current classification, Low Intensity Use, to Hamlet.

This month's mailing includes a Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (DSEIS). Agency staff expanded the requested area to approximately 6 acres to be consistent with land use area boundary requirements. This 6 acre area is referred to in the DSEIS as the Proposed Map Amendment Area.

In 2006, the Town of Minerva requested a series of 15 map amendments in conjunction with the Town's comprehensive plan. One of the 15 proposed amendments was a request to reclassify the Proposed Map Amendment Area as Hamlet. The Town subsequently withdrew all 15 of its requested map amendments after receiving public feedback. On February 4, 2016, the Minerva Town Board passed a resolution in support of the current requested map amendment. A copy of the resolution is included in Appendix A of the DSEIS.

Staff are requesting that the Board accept the DSEIS and authorize staff to proceed to public review of the request. The public review will include a 30 day comment period and a public hearing in the Town of Minerva. After the comment period concludes, staff will incorporate substantive comments and any new information obtained into a Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement and bring the matter back before the board for a decision.

