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MEMORANDUM

TO: Megan Phillips, Deputy Director of Planning

FROM: Dan Kelleher, Special Assistant-Economic Affairs

Matt Kendall, EPS 2

DATE: March 2, 2022

RE: Town of Warrensburg Map Amend Requests, MA 2021-01

The Adirondack Park Agency (Agency) received an application for two Amendments to the Official Adirondack Park Land Use and Development Plan Map in the Town of Warrensburg, Warren County pursuant to Section 805(2)(c)(1) of the Adirondack Park Agency Act. Area 1 is approximately 21.9 acres and currently classified as Low Intensity Use. Area 2 is approximately 65.9 acres in size and currently classified as Rural Use. The Town has requested that these two areas be reclassified as Hamlet.

The Agency published a Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (DSEIS) on December 16, 2021, accepted public comments until February 4, 2022, and held a combined public hearing on both the proposed map amendment and the DSEIS on January 19, 2022. The Agency received written comments from five individuals and organizations. Four people spoke or asked questions during the public hearing.

Staff prepared a response to public comments which is a component of the attached Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (FSEIS). The FSEIS includes a preferred alternative which proposes:

Reclassification of Area 1 from Low Intensity Use to Moderate Intensity Use.
Staff have reviewed the character of Area 1 and relevant land use classification determinants and determined that this area meets the character description,

purposes, policies, and objectives of the Moderate Intensity Use classification

under Section 805 of the APA Act.

2. <u>Denial of the Request to Reclassify Area 2 from Rural Use to Hamlet</u>. This

recommendation is based on the application and the record, including the public

hearing record and the written public comments received. The applicant has not

established that Area 2 meets the character description, purposes, policies, and

objectives of the Hamlet classification under Section 805 of the APA Act. This

denial would be without prejudice to the applicant to refile the application if new

or additional information is available.

Attached are the FSEIS, a Draft Findings Statement and a Draft Order. If the Agency

accepts the FSEIS, the Executive Director may adopt the Findings Statement and the

Deputy Director of Planning may execute the Order after notice of the acceptance of the

FSEIS.

Attachments: FSEIS

Draft SEQR Findings Statement

Draft Order

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