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DRAFT RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE ADIRONDACK PARK AGENCY WITH RESPECT TO THE 2022 UNIT MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE SHARP BRIDGE CAMPGROUND AND DAY USE AREA

February 9, 2023

WHEREAS, Section 816 of the Adirondack Park Agency Act (APA Act) directs the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) to develop, in consultation with the Adirondack Park Agency (Agency), individual management plans for units of land classified in the Adirondack Park State Land Master Plan (APSLMP) and requires such management plans to conform to the guidelines and criteria of the APSLMP; and

WHEREAS, in addition to such guidelines and criteria, the APSLMP prescribes the contents of unit management plans (UMPs) and provides that the Agency will determine whether a proposed individual UMP complies with such guidelines and criteria; and

WHEREAS, in August 1990, the DEC adopted the Final Generic UMP and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for campgrounds and day-use areas (1990 Generic UMP/EIS) which provides information on the environmental setting, inventory of facilities, organizational structure, issues, constraints, management objectives, and effects for campgrounds and day-use areas in both the Adirondack and Catskill Parks; and

WHEREAS, in 2010, the DEC amended the 1990 Generic UMP/EIS to authorize firewood storage buildings in campgrounds and day-use areas; and

WHEREAS, in 2018, the DEC amended the 1990 Generic UMP/EIS to authorize electric vehicle charging stations at campgrounds and day-use areas; and

WHEREAS, in 2022, the DEC amended the 1990 Generic UMP/EIS to authorize watercraft decontamination facilities at campgrounds and day-use areas; and

WHEREAS, on November 17, 2022, DEC presented the Draft 2022 Unit Management Plan to the Agency and the Agency authorized a joint public comment period on the Draft 2022 Unit Management Plan from November 17, 2022, through December 19, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the DEC and Agency received no written comments during its public comment period and received thirty-four responses to the online feedback survey; and

WHEREAS, the Proposed Final 2022 Unit Management Plan proposes to replace the caretaker cabin, rehabilitate roads, replace the trailer dumping station, rehabilitate the water system, bury overhead electric lines, and restore campsites; and

WHEREAS, the Proposed Final 2022 Unit Management Plan proposes activities consistent with those contemplated in the amended 1990 Generic UMP/EIS such that no further SEQRA steps are needed; and

WHEREAS, on February 9, 2023, the DEC presented the Proposed Final 2022 Unit Management Plan to the Agency and Agency staff made a presentation recommending that the Proposed Final 2022 Unit Management Plan conforms with the guidelines and criteria of the APSLMP; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has considered the Proposed Final 2022 Unit Management Plan, the November 17, 2022, and February 9, 2023, staff presentations, comments received by the public, and the deliberations of Agency Board Members and designees at the Agency's February 9, 2023 meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 816 of the Adirondack Park Agency Act, the Agency finds that the Proposed Final Unit Management Plan for the Sharp Bridge Campground and Day-Use Area, dated February 2023, conforms with the guidelines and criteria of the APSLMP; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Agency authorizes its Executive Director to advise the Commissioner of Environmental Conservation of the Agency's determination in this matter.

Ayes:		
Nays:		
Abstentions:		
Absent:		