

DRAFT RESOLUTION OF THE ADIRONDACK PARK AGENCY WITH RESPECT TO THE 2024 UNIT MANAGEMENT PLAN AMENDMENT FOR THE CRANBERRY LAKE PUBLIC CAMPGROUND INTENSIVE USE AREA

September 12th, 2024

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 March 1993, the DEC adopted the Cranberry Lake Public Campground Final UMP; and

WHEREAS, in September 2016, the DEC adopted the Cranberry Lake Public Campground UMP superseding the Cranberry Lake Public Campground Final UMP dated March 1993; and

WHEREAS, the APSLMP identifies Cranberry Lake Public Campground as an existing intensive use area campground; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project conforms to the basic guidelines for Intensive Use Areas and will avoid material alteration of wetlands, minimize extensive topographic alterations, limit vegetative clearing, and preserve the scenic, natural and open space resources of the intensive use area; and

WHEREAS, the plan proposes the use of natural materials to the fullest extent possible so as to blend with the relatively wild and undeveloped character of the Adirondack Park; and

WHEREAS, on May 16th, 2024, DEC presented the Draft 2024 UMP Amendment to the Agency and the Agency authorized a joint public comment period on the Draft 2024 UMP Amendment from May 17th, 2024, through June 17th, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the DEC and Agency received three written comments during its public comment period; and

WHEREAS, the 2024 UMP Amendment proposes to construct a rustic playground; and

WHEREAS, the 2024 UMP Amendment proposes activities consistent with those contemplated in the amended 1990 Generic UMP/Environmental Impact Statement; and

WHEREAS, on September 12th, 2024, the DEC presented the 2024 UMP Amendment to the Agency and Agency staff made a presented the recommendation that the 2024 UMP Amendment conforms with the guidelines and criteria of the APSLMP; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 7 of New York State's Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA), the Agency has considered climate change and the state's climate goals and finds that the Proposed Final 2024 Unit Management Plan Amendment (2024 UMP Amendment) is not inconsistent with, and will not interfere with, the attainment of the state's greenhouse gas emissions limits; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has considered the 2024 UMP Amendment, the May 16th, 2024, and September 12th, 2024 staff presentations, comments received by the public, and the deliberations of Agency Board Members and designees at the Agency's September 12th, 2024 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 Amendment for the Cranberry Lake Public Campground Intensive Use Area, dated August 2024, 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 the Department of Environmental Conservation of the Agency's determination in this matter.

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