



Adirondack Park Agency

KATHY HOCHUL

Governor

BARBARA RICE

Executive Director

January 23, 2026

Dear Judge Greenwood,

On January 20, 2026, Matthew D. Norfolk, the attorney for the project sponsor submitted a partial appeal of your ruling on party status with respect to Adirondack Wild: Friends of the Forest Preserve. The appeal was addressed to Agency Executive Director, Barbara Rice. Pursuant to 9 N.Y.C.R.R. 580.7(f)(1), the appeal will be decided by the agency board at its next regular meeting on February 19, 2026. The APA hearing staff request that parties who wish to submit briefs in support or opposition of the decision file those briefs with you by 5 P.M. on Thursday, January 29, 2026. All materials submitted in connection with this partial appeal should be sent to the attached service list pursuant to 9 N.Y.C.R.R. 580.7(f)(2).

This matter will then be referred to the agency board for a vote at the February 19, 2026 board meeting. The board decision will be based on the papers which will include:

- (1) Adirondack Wild: Friends of the Forest Preserve Petition for Party Status
- (2) Sponsor's Opposition to the Petition to Intervene Filed by Adirondack Wild – Friends of the Forest Preserve
- (3) APA P2021-0276 Ruling on Petitions for Party Status
- (4) Sponsor's Appeal of the Ruling Granting Adirondack Wild: Friends of the Forest Preserve Party Status
- (5) Any responding briefs

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Grace Sullivan".

Grace Sullivan, APA Hearing Staff - Attorney

SO ORDERED:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David J. G." followed by a vertical line.

ALJ Greenwood

DATED: 01/23/2026



Public Hearing Service List

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This service list includes all parties to the abovementioned proceeding as of January 21, 2026. This list will be updated as parties join the proceeding. Please continue to check the Agency's website for the most updated list of parties.