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Date: 9/27/2017 1:15 PM
Subject: Re: PUBLIC COMMENT ON NJ REGISTER pinelands commission nj register 9/18/17 prn 49 njr 3075

I AM VERY DISAPPOINTED IN THE LATEST NEWS I HEAR ON THE PINELANDS COMMISSION AND ITS ALLOWANCE OF SO MUCH DEVELOPMENT INT HE PINELANDS SO THATITS PRIMARY FOCUS OF TRYING TO KEEP NJ CLEANER IS BEING LOST DAY BY DAY DUE TO ANTI ENVIRONMENTAL DECISIONS COMNG THICK AND FAST IMO.

I THINK ALL FEEES FOR ANY DEVELOPMENT OF ANY KIND PROPOSED SHOULD BE INCREASED BY ONE THOUSANDPERCENT IMMEDIATELY. IT IS CLEAR THAT THE PROFITEERS IN THIS STATE ARE IN CLOSE COMMUNICATINO WITH OUR POLITICAL LEADERS AND THE PINELANDS ARE IN IMMEDIATE DANGER OF BEING LOST FOREVER.THE AMOUNT OF DEVELOPMENT THAT THIS COMMISSION IS ALLOWING IS FAR FAR TOO MUCH FOR ANY ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION TO EXISTS AT ALL.

I AM VERY DISAPPOINTED TO SEE THIS ENVIRONMENT HAMMERED BY THESE AWFUL DEVELOPMENT POLLUTING DEVELOPMENTS ALLOWED IN THIS AREA THAT IS NECESSARY TO KEEP NJ CLEAN AND PEOPLE LIVING HEALTHFULLY IN THIS STATE.

NO PRESCRIBED BURNING SHOULD BE ALLOWED AT ANY TIME SINCE IT POLLUTES THE AIR WITH FINE PARTICULATE MATTERS THAT BRING ON ASTHMA, ALELRGIES, CARDIOVASCULAR DEATHS, AND OTHER HEALTH DISEASES. THE POLLUTION TO THE AIR FROM THIS LAZY WAY OF CREATING FIRE BREAKS, WHICH CAN BE ACHIEVED WITH MECHANICAL EFFORT IS DISGUSTING. NO CONCERN FOR HEALTH IS SHOWN WITH THESE PRESCRIBED BURNS. THEY NEED TO BE ELIMINATED. AND THOSE WHO DIE FROM PINELANDS AUTHORIZAOITN OIF POLLUTING THE AIR SHOULD BE IN JAIL IMO.

ALL OFF ROAD VEHICLES EVENTS SHOULD NOT BE HELD INT HE PINELANDS AT ANY TIME. THIS POLUTUION IS IMMENSE, THE SCARING OF ANY WILDLIFE AND BIRDS IS OVERWHELMING AND IT REPRESENTS A DEPARTURE FROM THE IDEA OF WHAT THE PINELANDS WAS CREATED FOR. STOP THIS HORROR OF OFF ROAD VEHICLLE ROAD RACES IN THIS DELICATE SITE. SOLARS MUST BE ON ROOFS OF BUILDINGS, NOIT COVERING LAND. THE LAND AS IT EXISTS NATURALLY MUST BE ALLOWED TO BE RETAINED. AND THE INTENT OF THE FORESTRY PROFITEERS TO KEEP LOGGING IN THIS SITE MUST BE CONSIDERED AS THE ENVIRONMETNAL DESTRUCTION THAT IT IS.

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RULE PROPOSALS

Betsy Piner - CMP amendments - don't block the public

From: Nancy Klein <nancyrklein@gmail.com>
To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Wednesday, October 25, 2017 4:27 PM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission,

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From: John Swanson <feedback@lcv.org>
To: Pinelands Commission <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
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John Swanson

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PROTECT the Pinelands.

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From: Susan Terris <feedback@lcv.org>
To: Pinelands Commission <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
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Betsy Piner - CMP amendments - don't block the public

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To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Wednesday, October 25, 2017 5:34 PM
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It's really sad this attempt to hide

Thank you,
Robert

Robert Bennett
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Nancy Feldman

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Mary Loielo

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From: James Merlo <feedback@lcv.org>
To: Pinelands Commission <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: 11/15/2017 1:28 PM
Subject: I oppose the amendments to the Comprehensive Management Plan

Nov 15, 2017

Pinelands Commission

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Sincerely,

James Merlo

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Sincerely,

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From: Joseph Attamante <feedback@lcv.org>
To: Pinelands Commission <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: 11/15/2017 1:57 PM
Subject: I oppose the amendments to the Comprehensive Management Plan

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Sincerely,

Joseph Attamante

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Betsy Piner - CMP amendments - don't block the public

From: cheryl Baysal <cherylhudak@yahoo.com>
To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Wednesday, October 25, 2017 5:34 PM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission,

As a resident of New Jersey and someone who greatly appreciates the Pinelands, I am concerned about several of the proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Management Plan. The Comprehensive Management Plan is the heart of the protection of the Pinelands - and an essential part of that is public involvement.

I am concerned about the amendment that seeks to eliminate the requirement to provide notice to individuals who participated in the local approval process. As an individual, I don't have a lot of time to monitor activities at the Pinelands Commission, which meets during the day and is difficult to get to. By comparison, if an issue is important to me, I am able to voice that with my town officials. I understand that the Pinelands towns have essentially incorporated the Comprehensive Management Plan into their code. The town approvals are really the first line of defense for the Pinelands. That you notify the individuals who participated in the local approval process is reasonable and helpful to the Pinelands Commission in gathering all the information.

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Thank you,

cheryl Baysal
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From: Dale Smith <feedback@lcv.org>
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Sincerely,

Dale Smith

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Robert Rader

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From: Arlene Aughey <feedback@lcv.org>
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Sincerely,

Arlene Aughey

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Sincerely,

Dorothy Jackson

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Sincerely,

Jay Hendra

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Jane Dineen

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Sincerely,

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From: Jeanne Out <feedback@lcv.org>
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Sincerely,

Jeanne Out

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From: Tara Cruser-Moss <feedback@lcv.org>
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Nov 15, 2017

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Sincerely,

Tara Cruser-Moss

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Sincerely,

Ae Petrilla

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Betsy Piner - CMP amendments - don't block the public

From: Jeri Mower <jeri95@hotmail.com>
To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Wednesday, October 25, 2017 8:19 PM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission,

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Thank you,

Jeri Mower
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From: Jenny Ludmer <feedback@lcv.org>
To: Pinelands Commission <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: 11/15/2017 2:27 PM
Subject: I vehemently oppose the amendments to the Comprehensive Management Plan

Nov 15, 2017

Pinelands Commission

Dear Commission,

I am writing to express my concern about the proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Management Plan (CMP), which is the heart of the protection of the Pinelands. The Commission's proposed changes to this plan would suppress public involvement, an essential part of the CMP.

As a resident of New Jersey who greatly appreciates the Pinelands and other open spaces, I am worried about the amendment that seeks to eliminate the requirement to keep individuals who have weighed in on proposed developments updated throughout the approval process. It is important for me to be able to voice my concerns with my town officials, as I don't have a lot of time to monitor the activities of the Pinelands Commission. Additionally, I believe the changes in definition and application of "interested person" to "interested party" limit home- and business-owners' rights in the Pinelands. The current definition allows for individuals whose property or activities would be greatly impacted by a Commission's action to intervene, whereas the proposed change would severely limit who can request a hearing.

And let's not forget that transparency is important at all levels of government. A flagrant disregard will not go unnoticed.

Because these two amendments contradict the mandate that the Pinelands Commission must encourage maximum public participation, I ask that you rescind them. Thank you for considering my views.

Sincerely,

Jenny Ludmer

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From: Chris Scholl <feedback@lcv.org>
To: Pinelands Commission <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: 11/15/2017 2:27 PM
Subject: I oppose the amendments to the Comprehensive Management Plan

Nov 15, 2017

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Sincerely,

Chris Scholl

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From: Barbara Darvin <feedback@lcv.org>
To: Pinelands Commission <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: 11/15/2017 2:27 PM
Subject: I oppose the amendments to the Comprehensive Management Plan

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Sincerely,

Barbara Darvin

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From: Guy Harris <feedback@lcv.org>
To: Pinelands Commission <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: 11/15/2017 2:27 PM
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Sincerely,

Guy Harris

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From: Louis Dallara <feedback@lcv.org>
To: Pinelands Commission <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
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Louis Dallara

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Rozina Barker

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To: Pinelands Commission <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: 11/15/2017 2:27 PM
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“Gateway to the Pines”

November 15, 2017

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**Re: Tabernacle Township, Burlington County, New Jersey
Resolution 2017-86 – A Resolution Expressing Opposition to Proposed Rule Changes to the
Pinelands Comprehensive Management Plan Regarding the Maintenance of Fire Breaks**

Dear Ms. Grogan:

Enclosed please find a copy of the Tabernacle Township, Burlington County, New Jersey Resolution 2017-86 - A Resolution Expressing Opposition to Proposed Rule Changes to the Pinelands Comprehensive Management Plan Regarding the Maintenance of Fire Breaks, which has been signed and dated on November 13, 2017 by Stephen V. Lee, IV., Mayor of Tabernacle Township.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,
La Shawn R. Barber /s/
La Shawn R. Barber
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Enclosures

Cc: Tabernacle Township Committee
Peter C. Lange, Jr., Esquire, Solicitor Tabernacle Township

**TABERNACLE TOWNSHIP NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION 2017-86**

**A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING OPPOSITION TO PROPOSED RULE CHANGES TO
THE PINELANDS COMPREHENSIVE MANAGEMENT PLAN REGARDING THE
MAINTENANCE OF FIRE BREAKS**

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Pinelands Commission has proposed to amendments to N.J.A.C.7:50-4.1(a) which includes a list of activities that do not require application to the Commission; and

WHEREAS, the rules on exemptions as they concern the maintenance of fire breaks include an exemption for prescribed burning and clearing and maintaining of fire breaks at N.J.A.C. 7:50-4.1(a)17; and

WHEREAS, the term “fire break” is proposed to be replaced with a quantitative standard exempting the linear clearing of vegetation of up to six feet in width and the maintenance of such cleared areas and vegetation from application requirements; and

WHEREAS, in the agricultural areas of the Pinelands, existing fire breaks which are greater than six feet in width are maintained regularly; and

WHEREAS, the Committee finds that the revised regulation would result in significant financial, administrative and undue safety burdens on stakeholders; and

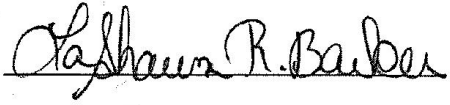
WHEREAS, the unpermitted and unregulated fire breaks provided for under the proposed changes are unduly limited and inadequate and would pose a risk to Tabernacle residents and property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Tabernacle Township Committee that the Pinelands Commission is strongly urged to reject the proposed rule changes concerning the maintenance of fire breaks.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the New Jersey Pinelands Commission for its records.

I certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at a regular meeting of the Committee of the Township of Tabernacle held on the 13th day of November, 2017.

Date: November 13, 2017

Handwritten signature of La Shawn R. Barber in cursive script.

La Shawn R. Barber, RMC

Township Clerk

Handwritten signature of Stephen V. Lee, IV in cursive script.

Stephen V. Lee, IV, Mayor

**TOWNSHIP OF TABERNACLE
BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

CERTIFICATION

**TOWNSHIP OF TABERNACLE
RESOLUTION 2017-86**

I, **La Shawn R. Barber**, Township Clerk of the Township of Tabernacle hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Township Committee on November 13, 2017

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the official seal of the Township of Tabernacle this 13 day of November 2017.



**La Shawn R. Barber, RMC
Township Clerk**

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Kevin Sparkman
128 Bracken Road
Medford, NJ 08055



**P.O. Box 423
Chatsworth, NJ 08019**

November 16, 2017

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Pinelands Commission
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Re: Proposed Change to N.J.A.C. 7:50-4.1(a)17

On behalf of the membership of the American Cranberry Growers Association, I would like to express our serious concerns and reservations regarding the proposed elimination of the exemption for the construction and maintenance of fire breaks that are wider than six feet.

For more than a century, our members have been careful stewards of our bogs and the many thousand acres of land and water resources that we have traditionally maintained to protect our water supply. That water supply requires a healthy forest, and a healthy forest requires management which can include thinning or prescribed burning to reduce the risk of wildfire which could damage a watershed for decades or directly impact our bogs.

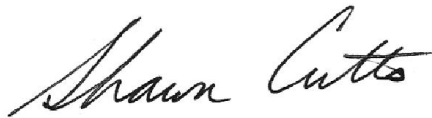
To conduct prescribed burns, we need fire breaks that are appropriately sized and constructed, taking into consideration the soils, vegetation and nearby hazardous fuel conditions. Just as Pinelands Commission regulations currently require appropriate fire breaks around new development, we require appropriate fire breaks around our existing homes, bogs or buildings. As conditions change, or in response to past controlled or uncontrolled fires, we continue to need the ability to construct or modify fire breaks that take into account specific conditions that exist in the many different types of habitat that we own or manage. Sometimes, the construction of a new fire break can be necessary to protect our own property from hazardous vegetation that develops on an adjacent parcel.

We are very concerned that this proposed rule will invariably result in the construction of fire breaks that are woefully inadequate for the NJ Pinelands – just to avoid an application process. We note that there are existing guidelines for the construction fire breaks that vary widely depending on the unique circumstances

of the parcel including wind conditions contemplated during controlled burns. The Natural Resources Conservation Service publishes Firebreak Design Procedures (394DP) that requires a firebreak that generally ranges between 20 and 300 feet, depending on vegetation and contemplated wind conditions. Please see and incorporate into our comments the NRCS document: <https://efotg.sc.egov.usda.gov/references/public/NE/NE394DP.pdf>

We were disappointed to learn that the Pinelands Commission had published this significant proposed rule without first discussing the potential impacts with farmers and other stewards of land in the area. Since there has been little or no previous public discussion of this new concept for mini fire breaks, we must ask that this rule proposal be rejected by the Pinelands Commission.

In the event that the Commission wishes to set standards for the construction for fire breaks, we suggest that there first needs to be a clearly articulated objective followed by extensive discussion with and between experts in the field as well as landowner groups such as the ACGA, New Jersey Audubon and the New Jersey Farm Bureau. Our association has always been willing to participate in discussions about strategies for the long term protection of our land and water resources. We stand ready to work with the Commission at any time, but this present ill-considered proposal must be rejected.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Shawn Cutts". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name and title.

Shawn Cutts
President

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To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Wednesday, October 25, 2017 9:05 PM
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Maria Scotto di Carlo
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The proposed changes go in the wrong direction. They suppress transparency and reduce the opportunity for interested people to be involved in the fate of a great state resource.

Sincerely,

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November 16, 2017

Pinelands Commission
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Dear Ms. Grogan and Pinelands Commission staff and Commissioners,

We are writing on behalf of the Pinelands Preservation Alliance with regard to the proposed Comprehensive Management Plan Amendments. Of particular interest to PPA are several procedural changes and the changes related to fire break management.

The National Parks and Recreation Act of 1978, Title V, Subtitle A, Section 502(f)7 states that the Pinelands Comprehensive Management must enable: “a program to provide for the maximum feasible local government and public participation in the management of the Pinelands National Reserve.” Several of the proposed procedural amendments run counter to this mandate – particularly the changes to notice requirements and the changes from interested person to interested party.

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Regarding the proposed changes to fire management, while PPA agrees that it is important for the Commission to have the ability to review large scale thinning and clearing projects, we are concerned that the proposed permit requirement for clearings associated with fire safety over 6 feet in width will ultimately promote greater use of “plow lines”, which while under 6’ in width often create much more soil disturbance than what is typical of fire breaks. It is important that the Commission address where preemptive plow lines are suitable while allowing the use of plow lines and other clearing methods to continue during emergencies. Typical firebreak plow lines are always less than 6 feet wide, but they are highly intrusive, essentially remain forever, and eventually become dirt-bike trails. They should not be encouraged. Firebreaks that do not involve soil disturbance, but rather involve thinning of the canopy and removal of mid-story fuels are wider than six feet, but have little negative habitat impact, and do not lead to long-term degradation. They should be encouraged. Please see attached photographs to illustrate this practice.

A second point that requires clarity regarding the language under the section of wildfire threat, is that the proposed language does not appear to explicitly prevent the maintenance of “fire breaks” over 6’ in width without a development application. As the language reads it appears to be possible to maintain wider breaks without being permitted if any single maintenance activity is kept under 6’ width at a time. The Commission’s intent on this issue may need further clarification.

Thank you,



Katherine Smith
Policy Advocate



Ryan Rebozo, Ph.D.
Director for Conservation Science



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Fig. 1: Example of thinned area serving as fire break, Chatsworth



Fig. 2: Nearby non-thinned forest, Chatsworth

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Sincerely,

Ruth Boroshok

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From: Michael Mcfadden <mmmickeee@gmail.com>
To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Thursday, October 26, 2017 12:24 AM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission,

As a former resident of New Jersey and someone who greatly appreciates the Pinelands, I am concerned about several of the proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Management Plan. The Comprehensive Management Plan is the heart of the protection of the Pinelands - and an essential part of that is public involvement.

I am concerned about the amendment that seeks to eliminate the requirement to provide notice to individuals who participated in the local approval process. As an individual, I don't have a lot of time to monitor activities at the Pinelands Commission, which meets during the day and is difficult to get to. By comparison, if an issue is important to me, I am able to voice that with my town officials. I understand that the Pinelands towns have essentially incorporated the Comprehensive Management Plan into their code. The town approvals are really the first line of defense for the Pinelands. That you notify the individuals who participated in the local approval process is reasonable and helpful to the Pinelands Commission in gathering all the information.

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Thank you,
Michael McFadden

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To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Thursday, October 26, 2017 7:25 AM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission,

I am a resident of PA but an avid lover of the pine barrens.

I am writing to say that the pine commission needs to continue to hold public hearings. The pines are not only a NJ resource for clean air and water but a regional concern too. We are all concerned and all need to take interest in nature and the future.

Thank you

Kate Pourshariati

Kate Pourshariati
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Richard Kelly

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The commission has only one real purpose, TO PRESERVE THIS UNIQUE NATURAL RESOURCE. It is NOT a resource for periodic exploration. Not a single person that we have spoken with in our community of Medford is in favor of this amendment!!!

Sincerely,

Glenn and Meg Turner

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Pinelands Commission
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Re: Proposed Amendment to CMP Plan

Dear Mrs. Grogan,

On behalf of Buena Vista Township Committee, please accept this letter as positive interest in the proposed amendment to the CMP Plan, more specifically N.J.A.C. 7:50-6.84 "Minimum standards for point and non-point source discharges".

Buena Vista Township supports programs that would further help our businesses either expand or improve. Proposed amendments like this would be beneficial to existing businesses in the Township and we would like to explore further interest in reviewing this proposed rule.

Thank you for allowing Buena Vista Township to submit this letter of positive interest.

Sincerely,

Mayor Chuck Chiarello
Buena Vista Township

Betsy Piner - CMP amendments - don't block the public

From: Cathy Patsco <cathpp33@gmail.com>
To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Thursday, October 26, 2017 9:44 AM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

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Cathy Patsco
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I am a tax payer. I demand my right to be informed!

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Richard Riggs

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Betsy Piner - CMP amendments - don't block the public

From: Alina Taylor <ataylor59@comcast.net>
To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Thursday, October 26, 2017 12:53 PM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

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Alina Taylor
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Toms River, NJ 08757

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karen hauck

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Betsy Piner - CMP amendments - don't block the public

From: Clayton Gashlin <claygashlin@gmail.com>
To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Thursday, October 26, 2017 7:47 PM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission,

As a resident of New Jersey and someone who greatly appreciates the Pinelands, I am concerned about several of the proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Management Plan. The Comprehensive Management Plan is the heart of the protection of the Pinelands - and an essential part of that is public involvement.

I am concerned about the amendment that seeks to eliminate the requirement to provide notice to individuals who participated in the local approval process. As an individual, I don't have a lot of time to monitor activities at the Pinelands Commission, which meets during the day and is difficult to get to. By comparison, if an issue is important to me, I am able to voice that with my town officials. I understand that the Pinelands towns have essentially incorporated the Comprehensive Management Plan into their code. The town approvals are really the first line of defense for the Pinelands. That you notify the individuals who participated in the local approval process is reasonable and helpful to the Pinelands Commission in gathering all the information.

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As these changes are contrary to the mandate that the Pinelands Commission must encourage maximum public participation, I ask that you rescind these two amendments.

Thank you,

Clayton Gashlin
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Date: 11/15/2017 3:27 PM
Subject: I STRONGLY FAVOR TRANSPARENCY. YOU SHOULD TOO!!!!!!

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From: georgina shanley <shanleyg2001@yahoo.com>
To: <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: 10/30/2017 11:32 AM
Subject: Planning and Conformance Submissions

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by georgina shanley (shanleyg2001@yahoo.com) on Monday, October 30, 2017 at 11:31:49

email: shanleyg2001@yahoo.com

subject: Planning and Conformance Submissions

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Name: georgina shanley

Affiliation: Citizens United for Renewable Energy (CURE)

Mailing Address: 2117 bay ave

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Message: Re: CMP amendments

1. I disagree with the change in wording from "interested person" to "interested party". "Interested person" should remain.

Existing:

"Interested person" means any persons whose right to use, acquire, or enjoy property is or may be affected by any action taken under this Plan, or whose right to use, acquire, or enjoy property under this Plan or under any other law of this State or of the United States has been denied, violated or infringed upon by an action or a failure to act under this Plan.

Proposed:

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2. The Pinelands Commission should notify persons who participated in a local review process. To remove this or change it means less public education and participation.

Submit: Submit

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Betsy Piner - CMP amendments - don't block the public

From: Greg Gates <ggates57@comcast.net>
To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Saturday, October 28, 2017 8:37 AM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

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Betsy Piner - CMP amendments - don't block the public

From: Lisa Kruczek <lisakruczek4@gmail.com>
To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Sunday, October 29, 2017 9:47 PM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

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Lisa Kruczek
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Brooke Harris

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Re: Comments to the proposed Pinelands
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Dear Ms. Grogan,

Please note the comments below pertaining to the proposed amendments to the Pinelands Comprehensive Management Plan (CMP):

SUBCHAPTER 4. DEVELOPMENT REVIEW: 7:50-4.1 (page 55)

Applicability:

(a) For the purposes of this subchapter only, the following shall not be considered development except for development of any historic resource designated by the Pinelands Commission pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:50-6.154:

17. To control and reduce the threat of wildfire:
 - i. Prescribed burning; and [the]
 - ii. Linear clearing [and maintaining of fire breaks] of vegetation, including subsequent maintenance of that cleared area and vegetation, provided the linear clearing does not exceed six feet in width;

This proposed amendment would require the maintenance of a *firebreak* greater than six (6) feet in width to submit to the Pinelands Commission for a permit by designating such work "development". The mere use of the term *firebreak* (which may be used incorrectly here) means that every firebreak in the Pinelands would require a permit, just to maintain it. The width of a firebreak is determined pursuant to current science at a distance of 1.5 times the height of the fuel in question. For a *firebreak* with a width of 6 feet only vegetation with a maximum height of 4 feet would not be subject to obtaining a permit to maintain.

There are thousands of miles of firebreaks in the Pinelands and this proposed amendment would require a permit for nearly all of them. This would place an impossible workload on Pinelands staff and would slow much needed maintenance work that reduces the risk of wildfire to the residents you serve. It would slow down firebreak maintenance to a fraction of current efforts and increase the hazard of wildfire to residents and firefighters.

In light of recent events in Napa and Sonoma Counties in California a proposed rule amendment that may significantly increase the risk of the effects of wildfire in the Pinelands is not a wise choice.

Perhaps the correct term you meant to use in the proposed amendment is *fireline*.

Should you have any questions or require any additional information do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Betsy Piner - Proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Plan

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The NJ Fire Safety Council's has provided comments to the Pinelands Commission on the proposed amendment to their Comprehensive Management Plan designating firebreak maintenance work in excess of 6' to be considered "development" and subject to a permit.

We believe very strongly that the implementation of this proposed amendment could reduce much needed firebreak maintenance work in the Pinelands through regulatory delay's and costs for permits not currently in place. These delays and costs would unnecessarily increase the wildfire risk to residents in the Pinelands

Please note the article below is an evaluation from the White Mountain Independent, a newspaper in AZ looking back at the death of 19 firefighters in Yarnell, AZ. Many experts believe that these firefighters would still be with us today if they believed Yarnell was sufficiently protected through wildfire preparedness efforts that included defensible space, and firebreaks. This knowledge of preparedness efforts by the town of Yarnell would have kept the firefighters safely "in the black" without the need to expose themselves to the wind shifted flames because they would believe the town was secure and not at risk.

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A poorly proposed amendment that puts both firefighters and residents at increased risk at a time when fire behavior is more erratic and climate change suggests this trend will get worse.

Do not place the maintenance of important firebreaks in a category of development or require a permit. It's not prudent and flies in the face of climate change trends.

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The forest condundrum

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Four years ago, 19 firefighters died in terror and agony trying to save Yarnell.

We were horrified to think of their courage and desperation – huddled in their fire shelters, waiting for the 2,000-degree flames to sweep over them. They remained disciplined and determined to the very end. And it broke our hearts.

We attended the funerals.

We grieved for their families.

We agonized at how it could have happened.

And we resolved that they should not have died in vain.

We resolved that we would finally learn the lessons their deaths contained.

We resolved to make sure that no firefighters ever die because we had not done our best to ensure Payson or Show Low or Pine or Greer or Springerville or Star Valley or Gila, Navajo and Apache counties were ready for the inevitable fire. We resolved to learn from the tragic mistakes — not of the hotshots, but of the residents of Yarnell and the elected officials sworn to protect them.

Investigators and second-guessers may say the hotshots made a mistake. They shouldn't have left the black. They should have realized the gathering thunderstorms could radically change the behavior of the fire. The incident commanders should have kept better control.

But that's not the point.

You can't throw 1,000 firefighters at an explosive crown fire bearing down on an unprepared town and

not have someone eventually make a fatal mistake.

However, we're convinced to a moral certainty that those 19 heroes would not have died if the state had cleared a buffer zone in scrub growth that hadn't burned in 50 years.

We're convinced in our wounded hearts that those 19 young men would have gone home to their families if Yavapai County had adopted a Wildlands Urban Interface building code and Yarnell had set up an effective Firewise program.

We're heartbroken but nonetheless convinced those 19 firefighters — and many of the 209 wildlands firefighters who died between 2000 and 2015 — would still be with us had people in places like Payson and Show Low taken action years ago.

So the *Roundup* and the *White Mountain Independent*, under the leadership of Publisher Brian Kramer, resolved to document the problem and the solutions in this unprecedented five-month effort involving both newspaper staffs.

However, this series represents only the down payment on the commitment of both newspapers to keep writing about wildfires. We have a sacred obligation to both educate our readers and put all the pressure we can on the public officials who must make the hard decisions necessary if we are to live here in this terrible new era of megafires.

So here's what we gleaned from the series:

1) We created the mess:

We created the current crisis through a century of mismanagement. Grazing, logging and fire suppression guaranteed that fuel densities on millions of acres of federal forested land would increase from 100 trees per acre to 800 trees per acre. This makes crown fires and community-devouring megafires inevitable without dramatic changes in forest management.

2) It's going to get worse:

Projections of rising temperatures and deeper droughts almost guarantee the problem will get much worse in coming decades. But even if you dismiss the weight of the scientific evidence as some strange conspiracy, the crisis will remain urgent even if the planet cools and weather returns to normal.

3) Firefighters can't stop the big fires:

The federal government is spending billions annually and has assembled the most sophisticated, expensive, effective firefighting organization in the history of the planet. But no conceivable firefighting force can keep monsters like the Wallow Fire from bursting out of control. The millions of tons of dried fuel piled up across the forest after a century of mismanagement will burn. It's just a question of who dies when it does.

4) Only massive forest restoration can help in the long term:

The federal government has finally realized the scope of the problem. Wildfires now swallow up half the Forest Service budget and wildfires consume millions of acres and hundreds — or thousands of homes — every year. Projects like the Four-Forests Restoration Initiative finally aim to operate on a landscape scale. However, the project has lagged many years and hundreds of thousands of acres behind schedule.

5) Even massive thinning efforts take too much time:

So let's assume that 4FRI and its offspring gear up to thin 50,000 acres annually. This would represent a huge accomplishment. However, at that pace it would take about 40 years to thin the roughly 2 million acres of ponderosa pine forest in Arizona. Mind you, after about six years, you need to go in and thin again to maintain a fire buffer — unless you return low-intensity ground fires.

6) We must reinvent the timber industry:

We probably can't afford to thin more than a fraction of the necessary land without help from a reinvented timber industry. We must provide the kind of consistency and efficiency necessary to convince investors to build new mills and power plants. The local officials, environmentalists and loggers to who developed 4FRI found common ground when they focused on removing the plague of small trees. That's essential. Efforts in Congress to use the crisis to gut environmental laws will only shred that consensus and prevent a solution.

7) Even with massive thinning, we must live with fires:

Just do the math. We can't afford to thin two or three million acres every six years indefinitely. Once we get the forest thinned and returned to a natural, healthy condition, we're going to have to return natural fire frequencies and intensities to the system. So we're going to have to live with fire — either regular, low-intensity fires that come up to the edge of town or the eventual mega-fire that will take

everything we've built.

So where does this leave us?

What should we do?

The answer's simple, but painful.

We have to adapt our communities to wildfire, just as evolution adapted the ponderosa pine forest to fire.

Fortunately, we can do that right here at home if we have discipline, good-sense and persistence.

So by all means, write angry letters to your congressman because Congress has ignored this problem for decades.

And show up at the seemingly endless Forest Service town halls and study sessions to demand action. You can cite as an example the bold, visionary, tough-minded job the Payson Ranger District fire managers have done in thinning 50,000 acres worth of buffer zones around Rim Country communities in the past decade as an example.

But mostly, you need to insist the town council and the board of supervisors protect our communities.

Our fire series documented the abject failure of every single elected body in Rim County and the White Mountains to take meaningful, sustained action to confront the single greatest threat facing us all.

We must insist that every single county and town in this region follow the lead of Prescott and Flagstaff. Both of those communities faced potentially devastating fires and drew the necessary lesson.

Both adopted tough Wildlands Urban Interface (WUI) building codes. A massive body of research shows that such a code will dramatically reduce the odds the rain of embers from an approaching wildfire will set the whole town ablaze. Even if the Forest Service and other land management agencies clear the kind of buffer zone that saved Alpine, a hailstorm of burning coals can still set half the town on fire before firefighters can react.

Both Prescott and Flagstaff also established brush-thinning operations connected to their fire

departments. Those crews work ceaselessly to protect the community, as well as protecting the forest from a fire that starts in town and spreads outwards.

So here's what you should demand from every county and town:

- **Change the building code:** Adopt a version of the international WUI code adopted to local conditions. If that sounds too complicated for supervisors and council members, they should just copy the Prescott or Flagstaff code word for word.
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- **Go regional:** We need a regional fire district to coordinate efforts and raise money to tackle the problem at the right scale. Flagstaff voters approved a \$10 million bond issue supported by property taxes, which helped that city go to the front of the line of forest thinning projects. Officials here must come up with a regional mechanism to do the same thing.

Now, all those efforts won't guarantee a megafire won't come sweeping out of the forest in a blaze of death and destruction.

Quite aside from the terrible human loss suffered this year in places like Santa Rosa, such a fire will devastate our economy for decades to come. We'll have to hope and pray that 4FRI works, along with the new Forest Service willingness to let naturally sparked fires burn in a large, defined area when conditions allow. If they push forward with those efforts for the next 20 or 30 years, we may regain the healthy, fire-adapted forest that existed here before we messed everything up.

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From: John Comella <john.comella1@gmail.com>
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Date: Thursday, November 02, 2017 11:11 AM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

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Betsy Piner - CMP amendments - don't block the public

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Sincerely,

sue vanleeuwen

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From: Shawn Liddick <feedback@lcv.org>
To: Pinelands Commission <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: 11/15/2017 3:57 PM
Subject: I oppose the amendments to the Comprehensive Management Plan

Nov 15, 2017

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Sincerely,

Shawn Liddick

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Paul Lucas

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Sincerely,

Sandra Gordon

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Betsy Piner - CMP amendments - don't block the public

From: Holly McDonald <mcdonalddh@optonline.net>
To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Thursday, November 02, 2017 11:18 AM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission,

As a resident of New Jersey and someone who greatly appreciates the Pinelands, I am profoundly concerned about several of the proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Management Plan. The Comprehensive Management Plan is the heart of the protection of the Pinelands - and an essential part of that is public involvement.

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Sincerely,

Holly McDonald
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From: Kevin Kimmel <feedback@lcv.org>
To: Pinelands Commission <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
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Kevin Kimmel

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Sincerely,

michele Richards

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Sincerely,

Elsie Polsenski

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Barbara Nyce

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Charles Avatar

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John Schreiber

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Margaret Yelenik

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Betsy Piner - CMP amendments - don't block the public

From: Connie Herman <conlyn1@gmail.com>
To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Wednesday, October 25, 2017 1:34 PM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission,

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Connie Herman
22 Branin Road
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From: Chuck Graver <cgraver@msn.com>
To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Thursday, November 02, 2017 11:22 AM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

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Chuck Graver
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To: Pinelands Commission <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
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George Hurst

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Steven Villani

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To: Pinelands Commission <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
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Michael DiGiore

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Linda Franklin Dreker

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To: Pinelands Commission <planning@njpinelands.state.nj.us>
Date: 11/15/2017 4:27 PM
Subject: I oppose the amendments to the Comprehensive Management Plan!! THEY CANNOT DO THIS! IT IS ILLEGAL!!

Nov 15, 2017

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David Caccia

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Carl Casella

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Betsy Piner - CMP amendments - don't block the public

From: Hilary Persky <hpersky@ets.org>
To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Thursday, November 02, 2017 11:20 AM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

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Hilary Persky
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Betsy Piner - CMP amendments - don't block the public

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To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
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Patricia Mathis
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Kathleen Maher

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Francie Goldstein

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Date: 11/15/2017 4:57 PM
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Nov 15, 2017

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Nicholas Homyak

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Sally Warner

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Sincerely,

Matthew Franck

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MaryJo Kenny

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Betsy Piner - CMP amendments - don't block the public

From: tom harris <mchazy77@hotmail.com>
To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Thursday, November 02, 2017 11:11 AM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

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tom harris
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William Diviney

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Robert Veralli

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Charissa Murray

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Lynnette Krueger

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Betsy Piner - CMP amendments - don't block the public

From: Frank DiDonato <newhipshere@aol.com>
To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Thursday, November 02, 2017 2:20 PM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

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Frank DiDonato
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Sincerely,

Leslie Lanphear

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From: Eileen Corbett <feedback@lcv.org>
To: Pinelands Commission <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: 11/15/2017 4:58 PM
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Eileen Corbett

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From: Susan Godoy <feedback@lcv.org>
To: Pinelands Commission <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: 11/16/2017 8:29 AM
Subject: I oppose the amendments to the Comprehensive Management Plan

Nov 16, 2017

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November 15, 2017

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Via email to: planning@njpines.state.nj.us

Re: Proposed Change to N.J.A.C. 7:50-4.1(a)17

We are writing to indicate our serious opposition to the proposed CMP amendment that eliminates the current exemption for fire breaks. While it may sound like a simple change to only exempt linear clearing that is less than six feet in width, we are convinced that this change would be extraordinarily devastating to the continued preservation and maintenance of the Pinelands ecology.

Our family has been an active steward here in the core of the Pines since 1868 – as residents who cultivate native blueberries and cranberries, conduct forestry, hunting and fishing activities – always with an objective of preserving and enhancing the land and water resources in our care. For nearly 150 years we have lived with the ever-present threat of forest fires by taking appropriate steps to reduce the potential scope and impact on our homes and business.

As we learn more about managing our forests our techniques have evolved from simple controlled burns to careful, prescribed and approved management of unique stands of timber. As we have invested to harvest, prepare, replant, thin and improve our forest, the health and value of the resource has significantly improved – but the payback period will span many more decades. Although continuing to allow access around and through our property presents some danger to the resource, the greatest threat comes from the potential for uncontrolled fire on adjacent property – whether in private or public ownership.

A significant amount of land near our farm has not been as well-managed over the years, resulting in high and extreme fire hazard areas. While there have been recent efforts by NJDEP and others to better manage adjacent forests, much more work needs to be done. But that work will require careful planning for the construction and maintenance of additional fuel breaks, each appropriate for the surrounding land and fuel loads, followed by prescribed burning and/or thinning.

If anything, the region needs more and better fuel breaks to properly protect the resources of the Pinelands. Adding an additional regulatory burden (and potential fees) to the ongoing process will only serve as a disincentive to land owners and managers at the very time that additional work needs to be done. We are certain that other concerned stewards of land will comment about the unreasonableness of this proposed rule, but we would like to quantify the impact of the proposal by looking at a fire incident that occurred on our property in February 2017:

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The learning from this incident is simple. While a six-foot plow line might be employed as part of an emergency containment process, it is woefully inadequate to either control or reduce the threat of future wildfires. It does not provide for routine maintenance and emergency vehicle access yet may serve to make certain parcels more susceptible to future damage by two-wheeled recreational vehicles. Six feet of fire break is inadequate, in nearly every case, for long-term management of the resources of the Pinelands.

In the name of true protection and preservation of the resources of the Pinelands, we ask you to **abandon** this proposed change. In the future, if there is interest among members of the Commission for discussing the design of appropriate firebreaks in the Pinelands, then perhaps the first step should be a study by qualified forestry professionals, land owners, stewards and emergency response agencies. We appreciate the opportunity to comment on the proposal and strongly urge its rejection by the Commission.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Stephen V Lee III".

Stephen V. Lee, III
President

Attachments: 3 photographs showing a plow line, dirt road and maintained fire break

Six-foot emergency plow line constructed to contain nearby semi-controlled burn in Feb 2017



27-foot perimeter fuel break used by neighbor for setting backfire Feb 2017



Appropriately maintained shoulders of 18th-century dirt road (Harris Station – Speedwell)



The CMP at 7:50-6.124 requires that the rights of way of all roads be maintained to provide an effective fire break in moderate fire hazard areas.

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From: David Steinberg <steinberg.david07@comcast.net>
To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Thursday, November 02, 2017 3:24 PM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

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While I live in Haddon Heights, my water comes from the Cohansey underground reservoir in the Pinelands, the purest water on the east coast! I must have a say in what goes into my body. I am vitally interested in what happens in the Pinelands and so is everyone else who gets their water from there. I am concerned about the amendment that seeks to eliminate the requirement to provide notice to individuals who participated in the local approval process. I thought the Pinelands is for all of us in New Jersey to enjoy, not just those who own property there. It is my understanding that the Pinelands charter seeks to protect this unique asset.

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The USA preaches democracy to the rest of the world. Lets not start legislating in secrecy back home. If you've nothing to hide, why try to keep citizens out of the loop?

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Jill Arbuckle

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From: Michael Gallaway <feedback@lcv.org>
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Thank you,

Michael Gallaway

Sincerely,

Michael Gallaway

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ROBERT GARCIA

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Betsy Piner - CMP amendments - don't block the public

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Date: Friday, November 03, 2017 6:54 AM
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Lynn Roberts

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Sincerely,

Richard Reeves

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Betsy Piner - CMP amendments - don't block the public

From: James Adams <jjadam415@gmail.com>
To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Friday, November 03, 2017 11:28 AM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

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Sincerely,

Mark van Rossen

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Martin Judd

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Helen Schafer

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Betsy Piner - CMP amendments - don't block the public

From: Amy Hansen <pittle.r.us@gmail.com>
To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Friday, November 03, 2017 3:09 PM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

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Amy Hansen
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To: Pinelands Commission <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
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Debra Miller

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Thomas Koven

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Roger Johnson

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Elizabeth Bates

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Melanie Murphy

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Betsy Piner - CMP amendments - don't block the public

From: Melissa Kendall <melisskendall@gmail.com>
To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Saturday, November 04, 2017 12:33 AM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

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Dr. Melissa A. Kendall

Melissa Kendall
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Florence Wohl

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Daniel Weinberger

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Betsy Piner - CMP amendments - don't block the public

From: Roger Bynum <r_bynum@yahoo.com>
To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Wednesday, October 25, 2017 1:31 PM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission,

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Roger Bynum
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Medford, NJ 08055

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From: Joseph McConnell <jmccconnell909@comcast.net>
To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Saturday, November 04, 2017 8:54 AM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

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I feel that in the past few years the Commission has lost focus on the job and responsibility they are tasked with. Just in the last decade I've seen the Sanctuary be built in Evesham and the endangered Pine Barren Rattler pretty much eliminated. The new owner of the Atco Raceway tore down thirty acres of trees. There has been several rumors as to why, but the area stays bare. Also, another area was cleared out across the street from the track for a cell tower when there was plenty of space to build it at the facility.

Thank you,

Joseph McConnell
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atco, NJ 08004

From: Donald Widmyer <feedback@lcv.org>
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Betsy Piner - CMP amendments - don't block the public

From: Steven Fenster <sjfenster@gmail.com>
To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Saturday, November 04, 2017 11:27 AM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission,

As a resident of New Jersey and someone who greatly appreciates the Pinelands, I am concerned about several of the proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Management Plan. The Comprehensive Management Plan is the heart of the protection of the Pinelands - and an essential part of that is public involvement.

I am concerned about the amendment that seeks to eliminate the requirement to provide notice to individuals who participated in the local approval process. As an individual, I don't have a lot of time to monitor activities at the Pinelands Commission, which meets during the day and is difficult to get to. By comparison, if an issue is important to me, I am able to voice that with my town officials. I understand that the Pinelands towns have essentially incorporated the Comprehensive Management Plan into their code. The town approvals are really the first line of defense for the Pinelands. That you notify the individuals who participated in the local approval process is reasonable and helpful to the Pinelands Commission in gathering all the information.

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As these changes are contrary to the mandate that the Pinelands Commission must encourage maximum public participation, I ask that you rescind these two amendments.

Thank you,

Steven Fenster
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Janice Dlugosz

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Meredith Kates

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From: <ajr1102@aol.com>
To: <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: 11/4/2017 10:50 PM
Subject: Proposed Pinelands CMP ammendment

November 4, 2017

Susan R. Grogan, P.P., AICP
Chief Planner
Pinelands Commission
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New Lisbon, New Jersey 08064

Dear Ms. Grogan;

I live in Tavistock, an Active 55+ Adult Community in MaysLanding New Jersey off Route 40.

We have 192 homes in our community and we are nestled in thePinelands.

We have very recently had our first Firewise event as we aregoing to be applying for community status.

People here love this area and we greatly respect andprotect our wildlife and forestry.

We have been notified on the proposed Pinelands CMPamendments and we are encouraged to comment.

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Sincerely,

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Nicole Scott-Harris

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Betsy Piner - CMP amendments - don't block the public

From: Jacob Pease <greenlegumes@gmail.com>
To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Thursday, October 26, 2017 11:32 AM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission,

As a resident of New Jersey and someone who greatly appreciates the Pinelands, I am concerned about several of the proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Management Plan. The Comprehensive Management Plan is the heart of the protection of the Pinelands - and an essential part of that is public involvement.

I am concerned about the amendment that seeks to eliminate the requirement to provide notice to individuals who participated in the local approval process. As an individual, I don't have a lot of time to monitor activities at the Pinelands Commission, which meets during the day and is difficult to get to. By comparison, if an issue is important to me, I am able to voice that with my town officials. I understand that the Pinelands towns have essentially incorporated the Comprehensive Management Plan into their code. The town approvals are really the first line of defense for the Pinelands. That you notify the individuals who participated in the local approval process is reasonable and helpful to the Pinelands Commission in gathering all the information.

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As these changes are contrary to the mandate that the Pinelands Commission must encourage maximum public participation, I ask that you rescind these two amendments.

Thank you,

Jacob Pease
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Jerry Rivers

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Sandra garcia

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November 5, 2017

Susan R. Grogan, P.P., AICP

Chief Planner

Pinelands Commission

P.O. Box 359

New Lisbon, New Jersey 08064

Dear Ms. Grogan;

I live in Tavistock, an Active 55+ Adult Community in Mays Landing New Jersey off Route 40.

We have 192 homes in our community and we are nestled in the Pinelands.

We have very recently had our first Firewise event as we are going to be applying for community status.

People here love this area and we greatly respect and protect our wildlife and forestry.

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C. Ortiz

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Thomas Cahill

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Adam Gross

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Phyllis Fast

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Kenneth Maskell

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Amy Steinberg

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Heidi M. Hess

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Erica Johanson

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**COUNTRY WALK OF LAKE RIDGE
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November 6, 2017

Susan R. Grogan, P.P., AICP
Chief Planner
Pinelands Commission
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Dear Ms. Grogan,

Please note the comments below pertain to the proposed amendments to the Pinelands Comprehensive Management Plan (CMP):

SUBCHAPTER 4. DEVELOPMENT REVIEW: 7:50-4.1 (page 55)

Applicability:

(a) For the purposes of this subchapter only, the following shall not be considered development except for development of any historic resource designated by the Pinelands Commission pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:50-6.154:

17. To control and reduce the threat of wildfire:
 - i. Prescribed burning: and [the]
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Thank you for your consideration in this very serious matter.

Sincerely,

Judith Kuhmichel, Chairperson
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Susan R. Grogan, Chief Planner - Pinelands Commission

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Re: CMP Amendment Proposal – Firebreaks

Dear Ms. Grogan:

As a practitioner of prescribed burning as permitted by NJDEP for hazard reduction, by the Pinelands Commission as exempt from review, as a professional forester with over 50 years of experience in the Pine Barrens, as a local emergency responder with over 40 years of experience in Fire emergencies and also as a retired Firewarden of the Forest Fire Service; I am expressing my opposition to the proposal to needlessly and dangerously amend the CMP to provide for the bureaucratic miss-regulation of “firebreaks” by the Commission. The CMP has rightly recognized the value and need for prescribed burning not only for management of the pinelands ecosystem, but more importantly to protect life and property from wildfires. Prescribed burning has been exempted from review by the Commission and its staff, which has not regulated the technical details and procedures – whether it be the width and alignment of fuelbreaks, or the times of year or day, weather conditions, fire behavior or equipment utilized.

One needs only to have seen the accounts of both multiple fatalities and property destruction most recently in the “wine country” of the West Coast, but also last fall in the Appalachian Mountains of the Southeast. Neither of these situations were in the remote wilderness of Yellowstone or the Rockies, or the Wildland-Urban Interface of the South Jersey Pinelands, but nonetheless occurred with devastating losses. And neither of these were expected at their place and time, but were the re-occurrence of a prehistoric and historic pattern of wildfires on a longer term and return interval than typical human perception and remembrance. And further, neither of these were controllable or defensible by the responsible emergency agencies or by the citizens whose lives and property were at risk – and also lost. Most people do not know or remember the scale and losses of the historic 1963 conflagrations, which have been considered to be a benchmark in the Pine Barrens for fire hazards and prevention. However, greater acreages were burned previously in 1930 conflagrations that are now overlooked and forgotten – and were overshadowed by the concurrent beginning of the Great Depression and its impact on society. While the recent scale of wildfires has been considerably diminished across the Pinelands by modern firefighting technology and resources, as well as the human replacement with development of the historic forest cover; the risks have considerably increased with the expansion of human uses and property into the remaining fire hazard areas. Much greater losses to life and property can occur today, although on a smaller scale of wildfire spread. And this may occur infrequently on a return-interval of decades – beyond normal human recollection of the hazards and risks.

Wildfires are natural hazards that are comparable to the coastal storms that also have affected South Jersey – most recently Hurricane Sandy of 2012. But that was preceded by the March Storm of 1962, and other previous hurricanes and nor’esters – including the Great Atlantic Hurricane of 1944 which was overshadowed by World War II. Coincidentally, the fire disasters of 1963 followed the prior year’s coastal disaster of 1962 due to a nor’easter. Both wildfire conflagrations and major storms comparably occur due to climate and weather conditions on relatively long intervals, but also lead to loss of life and property due increasingly to incursion of human use and development into natural hazard areas. In the intervals, we can only exercise awareness and precautions – whether it now is in the form of the mandated regulatory flood-damage prevention, or the application of fire management standards for fire prevention and hazard mitigation.

Prescribed burning has been practiced for almost 100 years by both private and public land owners and forest managers, and is recognized as the most cost-effective means to prevent disastrous losses from wildfires that do not respect political jurisdictions, property ownership or the hazard to either human life or improved property. As a user of such burning on my family farm, within my Pinelands community and in my career as a Forest

Firewarden, I am aware of the existing procedures for safe and appropriate treatments – and equally aware of the established regulatory and procedural safeguards of the State Forest Fire Service. This already is subject to oversight from NJDEP through the various natural resource agencies that provide reviews. Most recently, the Forest Fire Service has established qualification procedures for private-lands burners; as well as updated procedures for the Service to perform prescribed burning on private as well as public forests. In the recent mandated training as well as my prior professional education, there was nothing that indicated that fuelbreaks were a problem requiring regulatory oversight by a non-fire agency with respect to either width or alignment. Irrespective of where and by whom, prescribed burning must be performed safely and controllably – involving the firelanes and firelines that would now be termed regulatory “firebreaks” requiring review and approval by the Commission and its staff.

Geographically, burn units are defined by the cover of fuel hazards, as well as the system of firelanes and firelines which might be termed “firebreaks” by the Commission for review and approval - but are necessary for the safe control of the fire to achieve the prescribed results. Physically, these fuelbreaks may range from a leaf-blown path or raked trail, to a disked field edge, to a plowed line of several feet, to a vehicular lane of a dozen feet – which may be necessary to accommodate either wheeled vehicles such as Fire Engines, privately-operated trucks/farm equipment or tracked resources of Tractor-Plows or Bulldozers. Without such provisions for access and fuelbreaks, it is impossible to assure safe control of a burn for either personnel or public safety. Ultimately, firelines and firelanes are established and maintained to cost-effectively contain the outer perimeter and to perform the interior ignitions to safely achieve the burn prescription. Also and ultimately, prescribed (AKA “controlled”) burning within forests is still fire within the forest, which must always pose the risk of a wildfire escape – and must be subject to the appropriate and necessary professional planning, preparation, techniques and application.

Such firelanes and firelines by necessity tend to be straight or “linear firebreaks” – as they follow straight/linear fuelbreaks of roadways, properties, fields and other suitable landscape features. From the perspective of prescribed burning, fire application and control must respect wind direction in relation to the direction and alignment of the firelines and fuelbreaks. Winding, curving or twisting fuelbreaks pose the inherent risks of variable behavior for the perimeter or interior of the prescribed burn. And variable behavior poses the risks of erratic or uncontrolled burn behavior that exceeds not only burn prescription, but also burn control – with the potential for a prescribed burn escaping control to become a wildfire.

The proposed numerical specification of 6 feet of width after which formal application and review by the Commission is required, circumvents the professional planning and permitting process that currently exists. It must certainly curtail and bureaucratically stymie an effective prevention tool for fire management in the Pine Barrens. When such Commission approval would be necessary, it must add to the review burden for the understaffed agencies that are involved – whether it be review by Pinelands staff or applications by initiating NJDEP agencies. Private landowners also would be subject to the application burden, including any necessary professional planning and consultation – which in-turn may involve Forest Fire Service personnel when that agency performs the burning of private forest lands. With due respect to the technical expertise of the Pinelands Commissioners and development review staff, I must also question their respective knowledge, expertise and qualifications to consider the technical details of fire behavior, management and prescribed burning.

I would suggest that if the Pinelands Commission is truly concerned as to the environmental consequences of “firebreaks” that are necessary for prescribed burning, it must also address the consequences for illicit and impacting off-road traffic that is attracted to and use legally/illegally the passageways that were established not as public byways or for off-road pleasure, but as necessary firelanes and firelines. It is noteworthy that beyond such illegal and environmentally-damaging activities, such traffic is in fact permitted and encouraged when ATV and event routing use firelanes and firelines with the approval of the Commission and State Park Service.

These comments and observations are respectively submitted for due consideration by the Commissioners and agency staff, with the recommendation that the proposed amendment pertaining to “firebreaks” be deleted.

Very truly,

Horace A. Somes, Jr., B.A., M.F.

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Sincerely,

Justin Powell

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Sincerely,

Debbie Smith

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November 4, 2017

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Susan R. Grogan,
P.P., AICP Chief Planner Pinelands Commission
P.O. Box 359 New Lisbon, NJ 08064

Dear Ms. Grogan,

Please note the comments below pertaining to the proposed amendments to the Pinelands Comprehensive Management Plan (CMP): SUBCHAPTER 4. DEVELOPMENT REVIEW: 7:50-4.1 (page 55) Applicability: (a) For the purposes of this subchapter only, the following shall not be considered development except for development of any historic resource designated by the Pinelands Commission pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:50-6.154: 17. To control and reduce the threat of wildfire: i. Prescribed burning; and [the] ii. Linear clearing [and maintaining of fire breaks] of vegetation, including subsequent maintenance of that cleared area and vegetation, provided the linear clearing does not exceed six feet in width;

I am the former State Forest Fire Warden. I am expressing my concerns about the proposed changes to the Pinelands Comprehensive Management Plan(CMP) referenced above.

When the CMP was initially implemented it wisely excluded fire control efforts from the category of development. This exempted the Forest Fire Service and others interested in prescribed fire from requiring permits, associated fees and review from the Pinelands Commission in order to carry forth their important public safety related activities.

State Forest Fire Wardens already are subjected to a comprehensive internal process while planning prescribed burning projects. The process for private burners has also been recently redone and requires better planning, review and oversight.

I know by personal experience that the Forest Fire Service is much more environmentally conscious when planning prescribed burning projects and works well with environmental groups and concerns.

Requiring Pineland review of the construction and maintenance of fire breaks would cause an unnecessary, redundant and potentially expensive layer of process that would impede and delay prescribed burn projects. Prescribed fire is our best tool to help us protect our residents against a wildfire disaster.

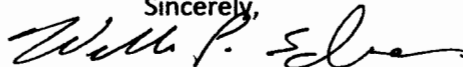
Even though the rule change would still exempt fire breaks under six feet in width it could be argued that even single plowed lines disturb surface fuels beyond that width. It may also encourage burners to keep all of their lines less than six foot in order to stay under the threshold to avoid review. Having personally burned over 10,000 acres of NJ Pinelands and controlled hundreds of wildfires I can personally state that there are times fire breaks need to be over six-foot-wide in order to safely hold fire

in these extremely hazardous fuels. Again this rule change will make an already potentially hazardous process more dangerous.

Recently steps have been made to help increase the amount of prescribed fire that can be accomplished. (Long term planning, proposed legislation, improved private burning policy and equipment purchases) Please do not implement this counterproductive rule change that will only decrease the ability for prescribed burn projects to occur.

Thank you for your attention and consideration to my concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William P. Edwards". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

William P. Edwards

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Sincerely,

John Pasqua

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From: Pat Foltz <feedback@lcv.org>
To: Pinelands Commission <planning@njpinelands.state.nj.us>
Date: 11/15/2017 8:28 PM
Subject: As a concerned South Jersey resident, I strongly oppose the amendments to the Comprehensive Management Plan

Nov 15, 2017

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As a South Jersey resident who is concerned about our environment, I have valued my experiences with the NJ Pinelands all my life. I am deeply concerned about the amendment that seeks to eliminate the requirement to keep individuals who have weighed in on proposed developments updated throughout the approval process. It is vital for me to be able to voice my concerns with my town officials, as I don't have a lot of time to monitor the activities of the Pinelands Commission. Additionally, I believe the changes in definition and application of "interested person" to "interested party" limit home- and business-owners' rights in the Pinelands. The current definition allows for individuals whose property or activities would be greatly impacted by a Commission's action to intervene, whereas the proposed change would severely limit who can request a hearing.

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Jack Schwartz

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Betsy Piner - CMP amendments - don't block the public

From: Anne Carroll <anne_carroll@comcast.net>
To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Monday, November 06, 2017 8:02 PM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission,

As a resident of New Jersey and someone who greatly appreciates the Pinelands, I am concerned about several of the proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Management Plan. The Comprehensive Management Plan is the heart of the protection of the Pinelands - and an essential part of that is public involvement.

I am concerned about the amendment that seeks to eliminate the requirement to provide notice to individuals who participated in the local approval process. As an individual, I don't have a lot of time to monitor activities at the Pinelands Commission, which meets during the day and is difficult to get to. By comparison, if an issue is important to me, I am able to voice that with my town officials. I understand that the Pinelands towns have essentially incorporated the Comprehensive Management Plan into their code. The town approvals are really the first line of defense for the Pinelands. That you notify the individuals who participated in the local approval process is reasonable and helpful to the Pinelands Commission in gathering all the information.

Additionally, the changes in definition and application of "interested person" to "interested party" limit home and business-owners' rights in the Pinelands. The existing definition of interested person allows for individuals whose "right to use, acquire, or enjoy property... has been denied, violated, or infringed upon by an action or a failure to act under this Plan." This limited definition allows for intervention by individuals who are genuinely impacted by a Commission action, and should remain as is. The proposed new definition fails to actually describe who is actually considered an interested party - the definition states that an interested party is any person who has a particularized property interest sufficient to require a hearing, but the hearing request requirement is only that an interested party makes the request.

As these changes are contrary to the mandate that the Pinelands Commission must encourage maximum public participation, I ask that you rescind these two amendments.

Thank you,

Anne Carroll
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From: Daniel D'Auria <feedback@lcv.org>
To: Pinelands Commission <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
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Sincerely,

Daniel D'Auria

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From: Scott Bruinooge <feedback@lcv.org>
To: Pinelands Commission <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: 11/15/2017 8:58 PM
Subject: I oppose the amendments to the CMP

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Scott Bruinooge

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Kathleen Metzger

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From: Lara Richards <feedback@lcv.org>
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Lara Richards

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To: Pinelands Commission <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: 11/15/2017 9:27 PM
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Betsy Piner - CMP amendments - don't block the public

From: Stephen Marshall <stephenmarshall40@comcast.NET>
To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Monday, November 06, 2017 9:26 PM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission,

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Sincerely,

Heather Bollwark

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From: "Linda Mack, Trustee Monmouth County Audubon Society" <feedback@lcv.org>
To: Pinelands Commission <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
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John Bryans

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From: Barbara Milloy <geraldine2@comcast.net>
To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Tuesday, November 07, 2017 2:47 AM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

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Barbara Milloy
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sean derman

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Sincerely,

Curt Baker

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From: Marya Parral <feedback@lcv.org>
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Marya Parral

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David Hubbard

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Betsy Piner - CMP amendments - don't block the public

From: Laura Nesbitt <bikechick18@yahoo.com>
To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Wednesday, October 25, 2017 2:21 PM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission,

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Laura Nesbitt
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Please remember these are Public lands and you are the acting custodians for the public. Any amendment that limits public participation in critical Pinelands decisions is a breach of your custodial trust.

Thank you,

Janet Fair
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Community Safety Committee

Firewise Committee
Four Seasons at Mirage
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November 7, 2017

Susan R. Grogan, P.P., AICP
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Pinelands Commission
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Dear Ms. Grogan:

Re: Pinelands Comprehensive Management Plan (CMP)
Comments Regarding Proposed Amendments

In regard to the following proposed amendment,

"Subchapter 4. Development Review: 7:50-4.1

(a) For purposes of this subchapter only, the following shall not be considered development except for development of any historic resource designated by the Pinelands Commission pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:50-6.154:

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 - i. Prescribed burning; and [the]
 - ii. **Linear clearing [and maintaining of fire breaks] of vegetation, including subsequent maintenance of that cleared area and vegetation, provided the linear clearing does not exceed six feet in width;"**

The Four Seasons at Mirage active adult community is located in Barnegat, New Jersey. Barnegat is located in Ocean County and is approximately 33 square miles in area surrounded by woodlands in both Ocean and Burlington Counties. The Mirage was impacted by the Warren Grove Gunnery Range Wildfire in 2007 which began our efforts to protect the 1,204 homes from potential wildfires. Our Community Safety Committee was asked to research ways in which we could protect our homes and surrounding land from potential wildfires.

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In advance, thank you.

Sincerely,



Moira Flynn
Chairperson, Community Safety Committee

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Richard Watson

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Christine Mueller

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Jean Parsons

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Betsy Piner - CMP amendments - don't block the public

From: Denise Mackey <dennymac621@gmail.com>
To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Tuesday, November 07, 2017 9:24 PM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission,

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I am concerned about the amendment that seeks to eliminate the requirement to provide notice to individuals who participated in the local approval process. As an individual, I don't have a lot of time to monitor activities at the Pinelands Commission, which meets during the day and is difficult to get to. By comparison, if an issue is important to me, I am able to voice that with my town officials. I understand that the Pinelands towns have essentially incorporated the Comprehensive Management Plan into their code. The town approvals are really the first line of defense for the Pinelands. That you notify the individuals who participated in the local approval process is reasonable and helpful to the Pinelands Commission in gathering all the information.

Additionally, the changes in definition and application of "interested person" to "interested party" limit home and business-owners' rights in the Pinelands. The existing definition of interested person allows for individuals whose "right to use, acquire, or enjoy property... has been denied, violated, or infringed upon by an action or a failure to act under this Plan." This limited definition allows for intervention by individuals who are genuinely impacted by a Commission action, and should remain as is. The proposed new definition fails to actually describe who is actually considered an interested party - the definition states that an interested party is any person who has a particularized property interest sufficient to require a hearing, but the hearing request requirement is only that an interested party makes the request.

As these changes are contrary to the mandate that the Pinelands Commission must encourage maximum public participation, I ask that you rescind these two amendments.

Thank you,

Denise Mackey
101 4th St
Brooklawn, NJ 08030

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From: Heidi West <heidwest@gmail.com>
To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Monday, October 30, 2017 3:56 PM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission,

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**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER,
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TO THE PINELANDS COMPREHENSIVE MANAGEMENT PLAN (CMP)**

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Pinelands Commission has proposed changes to Subchapter 4. Development Review: 7:510-4-1 of the Pinelands Comprehensive Management Plan (CMP); and,

WHEREAS, the amendments read as follows:

(a) for the purposes of this subchapter only, the following shall not be considered development except for development of any historic resource designated by the Pinelands Commission pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:50-6.154:

17. To control and reduce the threat of wildfire:

i. Prescribed burning; and [the]

ii. Linear clearing [and maintaining of fire breaks] of vegetation, including subsequent maintenance of that cleared area and vegetation, provided the linear clearing does not exceed six feet in width; and,

WHEREAS, this proposed amendment would require the maintenance of a firebreak greater than six (6) feet in width to submit to the Pinelands Commission for a permit designating such work "development". The mere use of the term firebreak means that every firebreak in the Pinelands would require a permit, just to maintain it; and,

WHEREAS, there are thousands of miles of firebreaks in the Pinelands and this proposed amendment and would require a permit for nearly all of them; and,

WHEREAS, this would place an impossible workload on Pinelands staff that would slow much needed maintenance work to reduce the risk of wildfire to the residents it serves; and,

WHEREAS, in light of recent events in California, a proposed rule amendment that may significantly increase the risk of the effects of wildfire in the Pinelands is not a wise choice.


NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of Manchester strongly encourages the New Jersey Pinelands Commission to reconsider the proposed changes to the Pinelands Comprehensive Management plan.

NOW BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a certified copy of this resolution be sent to the following:

1. New Jersey Pinelands Commission
P.O. Box 359
New Lisbon, NJ 08064
2. New Jersey Wildfire Safety Council
5 Wildwood Way
Freehold, NJ 07728

CERTIFICATION

I, Sabina T. Skibo, Clerk of the Township of Manchester, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Township Council at a meeting held on the 13th day of November 2017.


Sabina T. Skibo, RMC
Municipal Clerk

From: G Derner <feedback@lcv.org>
To: Pinelands Commission <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
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G Derner

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This is all a giveaway by the Bridge-Closer-In-Chief, Master of his own beach!

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Kenneth T. Palmer
Mayor

November 6, 2017

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Chief Planner
Pinelands Commission
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As requested above, please reconsider the proposed change.

Respectfully,

Kenneth T. Palmer

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November 1, 2017

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Re: Comments to the proposed Pinelands
CMP amendments

Dear Ms. Grogan,

Please note the comments below pertaining to the proposed amendments to the Pinelands Comprehensive Management Plan (CMP):

SUBCHAPTER 4. DEVELOPMENT REVIEW: 7:50-4.1 (page 55)

Applicability:

(a) For the purposes of this subchapter only, the following shall not be considered development except for development of any historic resource designated by the Pinelands Commission pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:50-6.154:

17. To control and reduce the threat of wildfire:
 - i. Prescribed burning; and [the]
 - ii. Linear clearing [and maintaining of fire breaks] of vegetation, including subsequent maintenance of that cleared area and vegetation, provided the linear clearing does not exceed six feet in width;

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There are thousands of miles of firebreaks in the Pinelands and this proposed amendment would require a permit for nearly all of them. This would place an impossible workload on Pinelands staff and would slow much needed maintenance work that reduces the risk of wildfire to the residents you serve. It would slow down firebreak maintenance to a fraction of current efforts and increase the hazard of wildfire to residents and firefighters.

In light of recent events in Napa and Sonoma Counties in California a proposed rule amendment that may significantly increase the risk of the effects of wildfire in the Pinelands is not a wise choice.

Perhaps the correct term you meant to use in the proposed amendment is *fireline*.

Should you have any questions or require any additional information do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Aglio
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Dear Ms. Grogan,

Please note the comments below pertain to the proposed amendments to the Pinelands Comprehensive Management Plan (CMP):

SUBCHAPTER 4. DEVELOPMENT REVIEW: 7:50-4.1 (page 55)

Applicability:

(a) For the purposes of this subchapter only, the following shall not be considered development except for development of any historic resource designated by the Pinelands Commission pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:50-6.154:

17. To control and reduce the threat of wildfire:

i. Prescribed burning: and [the]

ii. Linear clearing [and maintaining of fire breaks] of vegetation,

including subsequent maintenance of that cleared area and vegetation, provided the linear clearing does not exceed six feet in width;

Country Walk of Lake Ridge (CW), a recognized Firewise Community since 2013, is located in the Whiting section of Manchester Township. Although CW was touted as a community "nestled" in the pristine Pinelands National Reserve, we are very cognizant of the high risk potential for a devastating wildfire that could not only destroy our community, but could potentially result in the loss of life.

Our community, plus Pine Ridge at Crestwood, Crestwood Village 5 and Crestwood Village 6 are surrounded by the 2,948 acres of the Crossley Preserve, the 1,206 acres of the Whiting Wildlife Management area; which in turn, border acres of the densely forested Pine Barrens.

The New Jersey Forest Fire Service (NJFFS) is a trusted and dedicated agency that follows safety and procedural protocols not only to fight wildfires, but to reduce the wildfire risk for all NJ residents. CW and the residents of Whiting depend on the NJFFS to mitigate the wildfire potential in our area. PLEASE do not complicate the current prescribed burning and firebreak maintenance procedures with unnecessary rule changes and "red tape" that could only slow down the NJFFS efforts.

Thank you for your consideration in this very serious matter.

Respectfully,

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Re: Comments from NJDEP, Natural and Historic Resources
Proposed Amendments to the Pinelands Comprehensive Management Plan
Rule Proposal 49 NJR 3075

Dear Ms. Grogan:

The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Natural and Historic Resources, respectively submits the following comments to the proposed rule amendments to Comprehensive Management Plan which appeared in the New Jersey Register on September 18, 2017.

Comments to Subchapter 4 Development Review: N.J.A.C. 7:50-4.1(a)17

Comment #1

We do not agree that the amendments to the existing exemption to control and reduce the threat of forest fires codifies current practice or clarifies existing standards. The amendment eliminates a critical, existing exemption to control and reduce the threat of forest fires and creates new application processes and administrative reviews.

The summary at page 49 NJR 3075 states the amendments are to "... *codify current practice, clarify existing standards and requirements, increase the efficiency of the Commission and its staff, eliminate unnecessary application requirements, simplify procedures for the Commission, Pinelands municipalities and applicants...*" The language in the summary later states that the exemption for maintaining fire breaks is being clarified and "[b]oth activities will remain exempt provided they are conducted to control wildfire" 49 NJR 3078.

The existing regulation states:

7:50-4.1 Applicability

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- i. Prescribed burning; and
- ii. clearing and maintaining of fire breaks

The existing standard and practice is that the creation, maintenance and clearing of firebreaks by the Forest Fire Service for prevention of forest fires is exempt from regulation. The Forest Fire Service does not apply to the Commission for permits to create or maintain firebreaks. This has been the standard practice since the inception of the Commission rules.

The rule amendment eliminates the word “firebreak.” The language “clearing and maintaining of firebreaks” is being replaced with “linear clearing of vegetation including subsequent maintenance of that cleared area and vegetation, provided the linear clearing does not exceed six feet in width.” A firebreak has been defined in literature as being any natural or constructed discontinuity in potential fuels that segregates or acts as a barrier, that may be used to stop, check and/or control the spread of fire (Helms 1998; Brown and Davis 1973). Department of Environmental Protection, Forest Fire Service Guidance document 2016 suggests a firebreak should be a minimum of 1.5 times the height of fuels available to burn directly adjacent to the object.

Quantifying firebreak width is difficult because the effectiveness of a firebreak in stopping or controlling fire spread is directly related to the size of the firebreak and the type, size and abundance of adjacent fuels. Therefore, it does not lend itself to a six-foot definition. Additionally, firebreaks that are primarily used for prescribed burning are different in size than firebreaks that are planned for wildfire control. For example, low intensity prescribed fires using a backing fire require a much smaller firebreak (3 to 8 feet) as compared to a high intensity wildfire with high and extreme vegetation classifications (50 to 100 feet) located throughout the Pinelands. We estimate there are approximately 2,970 miles of unimproved roads which act as fire breaks in the Pinelands in addition to 1,700 miles of plough lines.

An increased width is required to provide effective defense in the case of a wildfire as a result of convective heat transfer from the flaming front. This is because the convective heat transfer substantially increases the distance from the flaming front that ignitions will occur, even in the absence of firebrands associated with spotting (Byram et. Al., 1963; Anderson 1969). Hence, the minimum width of a firebreak should be based on function, wildfire control versus prescribed fire management, that is required to prevent ignition of vegetation by direct radiation produced from specified type of fire the firebreak is designed to help control.

Another purpose of a firebreak is to furnish access to fire managers and their fire management equipment. Virtually all constructed firebreaks serve this function to some degree. Where firebreaks are used to control a prescribed fire, a fireline is the appropriate term for what is required in this case. But even a fire line will need a minimum width of at least 8 feet, which reflects the approximate width necessary for a Type 6 wildland engine and Type 5 tractor plow to construct and patrol a perimeter firebreak, while interior firelines on prescribed burn units may only require a 6 feet minimum width.

The rule amendment serves to eliminate the exemption that has been in operation for the creation and maintenance of firebreaks and have those firebreaks subject to full permit review. It is a major program change. In addition, it does not simplify procedures for permit applicants or the Commission. The Commission is making a determination for the first time that firebreaks of a certain size constitute "development" and are subjecting the creation and maintenance of those firebreaks to permitting whether through individual permits or an MOA. Since there are no rules defining these types of forest fire measures, they would be determined case by case without standards and ultimately determined by the Commission through permitting and not by the Forest Fire Service.

Comment #2

The Legislature established the Forest Fire Service as the entity responsible for the protection of forests, and property adjacent thereto N.J.S.A. 13:9. The statute at N.J.S.A. 13:9-2c, states, in part, that

The department, through its agents, shall have the power to:

- a. Determine forest fire hazards and
- b. Remove or cause to be removed brush, undergrowth or other material which contributes to forest fire hazards;
- c. Maintain or cause to be maintained fire breaks...

Therefore, the Forest Fire Service has been established by statute as the entity with primacy to determine forest fire hazards and maintain fire breaks. The Department recognizes the Commission's authority and jurisdiction within the Pinelands. However, we believe the previous exemption recognized the Forest Fire Service knowledge and primacy in this area. We note that there are no standards within the current CMP for reviewing firebreaks established for protection of forest fires by the Forest Fire Service. And, definitions related to prevention of forest fires should be accomplished by or, certainly, in consultation with, the Forest Fire Service.

Comment #3

This rule amendment will impact public and fire fighter safety and the protection of natural resources. The elimination of the exemption will slow the process of the creation and maintenance of necessary and appropriate fire breaks for the control of forest fires. If the process is delayed and firebreaks are not created or maintained, or only lines of six-feet are created, it will likely result in larger wildfire and lessen the ability to effectively control those fires. Any benefit of the added bureaucracy is not warranted against the protection of the public, fire fighters, and property. Although it has been stated that the permit process could be accomplished within 30 days, given the lack of definition of fire break and, as noted above, the factors unique to each situation to be discussed in the review of each permit application, it will be a lengthy process.

Conclusion:

For the reasons referenced above, we request that the amendment to N.J.A.C. 7:50-4.1(a)17 not be adopted and the original language remain. We would work with the Commission staff to develop any new definitions needed.

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Betsy Piner - CMP amendments - don't block the public

From: Patrick Lenaghan <patricklenaghan1411@gmail.com>
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Date: Friday, November 10, 2017 7:50 PM
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RE: Proposed Amendments to Pinelands Comprehensive Management Plan

Dear Ms. Grogan:

The New Jersey Builders Association (NJBA) submits the following comments regarding the proposed amendments to the Pinelands Comprehensive Management Plan (CMP). Overall, the NJBA supports the proposed amendments as they would streamline the application process and increase efficiency. The Association notes that the Commission indicates “analysis of other substantive issues raised during the plan review public comment process will continue over the next year and may lead to the proposal of additional CMP amendments.” NJBA looks forward to participating in further discussion of these issues, such as our concerns with review of individual plot plans that were reviewed already with the overall subdivision plan and permitting submission of development applications to other reviewing entities simultaneously with the Commission.

NJBA strongly supports the proposed amendments enhancing the use of advanced treatment technologies, particularly the adoption of the FAST as a permanent technology available beyond the pilot program at N.J.A.C. 7:50-6.84(a)5.iv.(2):

“In 2016, the Commission decided to release the only remaining original pilot program technology (FAST) from the pilot program and authorize it for permanent use on parcels of at least 1.4 acres in size, subject to the provisions of N.J.A.C. 7:50-6.84(a)5iv(3).”

We note the proposed amendment at N.J.A.C. 7:50-6.84(a)5.iv.(2)(B) requires that in order for residential developments to use the FAST system, the parcel should be:

“a. least 1.4 acres for each individual single family residential dwelling unit or the system or systems for multi-family developments will be located on a parcel with an overall density equal to or greater than one residential unit per acres of land”.

NJBA also notes that proposed amendments at N.J.A.C. 7:50-6.85 provide that owners and operators of a Pinelands alternate design wastewater treatment system shall “comply with the

maintenance and monitoring requirements of N.J.A.C. 7:9A-8.3 and 12.3”.

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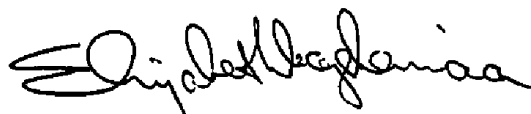
However, NJBA opposes the proposed amendments regarding the application fee for a Certificate of Filing or Certificate of Completeness, in terms of the pre-application conferences. NJBA recommends that a specific amount or cap for a pre-application conference be set.

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Please contact NJBA with any questions.

Sincerely,



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New Jersey Pinelands Commission
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Re: Proposed Amendment N.J.A.C 7:50-4.1

Dear Chairman and Committee Members:

The proposed amendment of N.J.A.C.7:50-4.1(a) severely reduces the exemption of fire breaks from review, which logically and rightly exists in the current regulations. The proposed amendment will require application and review for firebreaks wider than six feet. We oppose this amendment. The following issues and questions have not yet been thoroughly addressed.

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2. This amendment will reduce fire safety by imposing a costly and time consuming administrative process between the property owner's recognition of the need for a fire break and its actual construction.
3. The six foot dimension is significantly smaller than other standards for fire safety. The Pinelands Commission's publication "Protecting Your Home from Wildfire," recommends fuel breaks of 30, 75 and 100 feet depending on the hazard area. The NJ Forest Fire Service, on its homepage asks "Do You Have What it Takes? 100 Feet of Defensible Space" Six feet is also too small to maneuver fire or emergency equipment.
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subject, did not meaningfully contribute to the development of this proposed rule. Did NJFFS meaningfully contribute to this proposal and if so, what was its comments?

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- h. Are properties under farmland assessment subject to the proposed amendment?
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- k. How will the regulation be enforced?
- l. What are the fees for a fire break ("linear clearing of vegetation") application?

Thank you for the opportunity to submit these comments and questions.

Sincerely,

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The Pinelands belong to all of New Jersey. These amendments would seem to aim to prevent New Jersey citizens not immediately and monetarily affected by a proposal from speaking up in defense of the Pinelands.

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Sincerely,

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To: Pinelands Commission <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: 11/16/2017 12:30 PM
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Dan Vitelli

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**Horizons at Barnegat Firewise Committee
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Susan R. Grogan, P.P., AICP
Chief Planner Pinelands Commission
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Re: Comments to the proposed Pinelands CMP amendments

Dear Ms. Grogan,

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SUBCHAPTER 4. DEVELOPMENT REVIEW: 7:50-4.1 (page 55)

Applicability:

(a) For the purposes of this subchapter only, the following shall not be considered development except for development of any historic resource designated by the Pinelands Commission pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:50-6.154:

- 17. To control and reduce the threat of wildfire:
 - i. Prescribed burning; and [the]*
 - ii. Linear clearing [and maintaining of fire breaks] of vegetation, including subsequent maintenance of that cleared area and vegetation, provided the linear clearing does not exceed six feet in width;**

Our community is in the heart of the Pinelands. During the 2007 Warren Grove Fire we were evacuated from our homes twice. Wildfire has directly impacted us as a community and individuals. Prescribed burns implemented by the Forest Service are important to us. The NJ Forest Fire Service has done an excellent job of keeping us safe. The above amendment will put an unnecessary burden on their efforts to maintain forest health and make the adjacent forest safer for us. Please do not make it more difficult by passing the above amendment. It will impose extra time, work and money on a process that is currently working well.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Nancy Reid, Chair

Robert Reid

Richard Villani

Ronald Ackerman

William Thompson

Frank Perry, Board of Trustees Liaison

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Jean Strickholm

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Katherine Yvinskas

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Betsy Piner - CMP amendments - don't block the public

From: Alice Edgerton <alice.edgerton@gmail.com>
To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Thursday, November 16, 2017 2:12 PM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

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Mary Ann Cernak

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From: Charlotte Tomaszewski <charlotte7140@mac.com>
To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Wednesday, October 25, 2017 1:21 PM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

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Charlotte Tomaszewski
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Medford, NJ 08055

From: Diane Schlagel <dianels49@yahoo.com>
To: "planning@njpines.state.nj.us" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: 11/12/2017 4:44 PM
Subject: Comments to the proposed Pinelands CMP amendments
Attachments: CMP Proposed amendment comments.pdf

Dear Ms. Grogan, As a resident and president of our Firewise Board of Brighton @ Barnegat I'm in full agreement with Bill Bush in his comments on the CMP Amendments. This development was burned by the 2007 fire and has worked for the past year to become a Firewise community. The perimeter around Brighton @ Barnegat has 10 years of regrowth and needs to be mitigated. It needs to be cut back greater than 6 feet. We are at ground zero for the next fire that will come through. We have started working on this project. Residents and Hometown America (owners of the development) have/are clearing around their properties. We are cooperating with the Pinelands Commission and other perimeter owners to reduce the risks of damage to the development. Please reconsider these amendments for the protection of the communities in the Pinelands. Please read the attachment.

Thank you, Diane Schlagel Brighton @ Barnegat Firewise MHOA Regional Representative
32 Kimberly Drive, Barnegat, NJ 08005 609-607-1375 dianels49@yahoo.com

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Bill Simmons

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Rita Thompson

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To: Pinelands Commission <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: 11/16/2017 4:00 PM
Subject: I oppose the amendments to the Comprehensive Management Plan

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November 16, 2017

Susan R. Grogan,
P.P., AICP Chief Planner Pinelands Commission
P.O. Box 359 New Lisbon, NJ 08064

Dear Ms. Grogan:

The Township of Ocean, Ocean County is sending you this letter regarding the proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Management Plan (CMP): SUBCHAPTER 4. DEVELOPMENT REVIEW: 7:50-4.1 (page 55). Firebreaks are an integral part of

(CMP): SUBCHAPTER 4. DEVELOPMENT REVIEW: 7:50-4.1 (page 55) Applicability: (a) For the purposes of this subchapter only, the following shall not be considered development except for development of any historic resource designated by the Pinelands Commission pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:50-6.154: 17. To control and reduce the threat of wildfire: i. Prescribed burning; and [the] ii. Linear clearing [and maintaining of fire breaks] of vegetation, including subsequent maintenance of that cleared area and vegetation, provided the linear clearing does not exceed six feet in width;

The Township of Ocean agrees that Firebreaks are an integral part of Wildfire planning. The Township does not agree with the added requirement that construction and maintenance of any firebreak over six feet wide would need a permit before any work commences. There have been times fire breaks need to be over six-foot-wide in order to safely hold fire in these extremely hazardous fuels.

The Township of Ocean has just been selected to participate in the Community Planning Assistance for Wildfire program (CPAW). This is the first community on the east coast to apply and be selected. The Township of Ocean is working on becoming a Fire Wise community and including the fire breaks as part of the plan.

When the CMP was initially implemented it wisely excluded fire control efforts from the category of development. This exempted the Forest Fire Service and others interested in prescribed fire from requiring permits, associated fees and review from the Pinelands Commission in order to carry forth their important public safety related activities.

Requiring Pineland review of the construction and maintenance of fire breaks would cause an unnecessary, redundant and potentially expensive layer of process that would impede and delay prescribed burn projects. Prescribed fire is our best tool to help us protect our residents against a wildfire disaster.

Please do not implement this counterproductive rule change that will only decrease the ability for prescribed burn projects to occur. Thank you for your attention and consideration to my concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Denise B. Ambrosio, RMC". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "D".

Denise B. Ambrosio, RMC
Administrator/Municipal Clerk

Cc:
Township Committee

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Planning Assistance for Wildfire

NOV - 9 2017

November 8, 2017

Attn: Laurie Klune
Zoning Officer, Township of Ocean
Township of Ocean, New Jersey

cc: Chief Brent Cunningham

Re: Community Planning Assistance for Wildfire – Welcome Package

Dear Ms. Klune,

Congratulations! On behalf of the Community Planning Assistance for Wildfire (CPAW) team, we are delighted to inform you that the Township of Ocean was selected as one of eight new recipients for 2017-2018 CPAW assistance. Our CPAW team was highly impressed with your application and we believe the opportunity to provide assistance is well-timed with your community's goals.


The Township of Ocean will receive full assistance over the course of one year, which includes in-person stakeholder meetings, capacity-building opportunities, and other assistance activities as described in the program overview (attached). The planning process will culminate with the CPAW team providing a final report outlining findings and recommendations to improve community wildfire resilience through planning.

Immediate next steps in the CPAW process include:

- CPAW team member Kelly Johnston will be your primary CPAW contact (email: kelly@wildlandprofessional.ca, phone: 250-319-0494). Kelly will be reaching out with more information to get you and your colleagues engaged in CPAW, including an invitation to Basecamp (an online project management tool for team communications).
- Kimiko Barrett and Kelly Pohl (Headwaters Economics) will be coordinating with you or one of your designated colleagues to invite your participation at the CPAW Land Use Planning and Wildfire Forum on January 24-25, 2018 in Boulder, CO. You will be receiving an email this week with more details.
- Finally, we hope you share the news with others! We have attached a media release template that you are welcome to use and modify accordingly.

Again, congratulations and we are looking forward to working with you and other community members as part of CPAW!

Best regards,



Molly Mowery, AICP
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Sincerely,

Bethany Sattur

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Kim Sellon

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Betsy Piner - CMP amendments - don't block the public

From: P Mondelli <ptrish1202@gmail.com>
To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Sunday, November 12, 2017 6:51 PM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission,

As a resident of New Jersey and someone who greatly appreciates the Pinelands, I am concerned about several of the proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Management Plan. The Comprehensive Management Plan is the heart of the protection of the Pinelands - and an essential part of that is public involvement.

I am concerned about the amendment that seeks to eliminate the requirement to provide notice to individuals who participated in the local approval process. As an individual, I don't have a lot of time to monitor activities at the Pinelands Commission, which meets during the day and is difficult to get to. By comparison, if an issue is important to me, I am able to voice that with my town officials. I understand that the Pinelands towns have essentially incorporated the Comprehensive Management Plan into their code. The town approvals are really the first line of defense for the Pinelands. That you notify the individuals who participated in the local approval process is reasonable and helpful to the Pinelands Commission in gathering all the information.

Additionally, the changes in definition and application of "interested person" to "interested party" limit home and business-owners' rights in the Pinelands. The existing definition of interested person allows for individuals whose "right to use, acquire, or enjoy property... has been denied, violated, or infringed upon by an action or a failure to act under this Plan." This limited definition allows for intervention by individuals who are genuinely impacted by a Commission action, and should remain as is. The proposed new definition fails to actually describe who is actually considered an interested party - the definition states that an interested party is any person who has a particularized property interest sufficient to require a hearing, but the hearing request requirement is only that an interested party makes the request.

As these changes are contrary to the mandate that the Pinelands Commission must encourage maximum public participation, I ask that you rescind these two amendments.

Thank you,

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Sincerely,

Dawn Canna

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Sincerely,

Ruby Weeks

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Patricia Guida

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I thought that the Pinelands Commission's mission was to protect this national treasure, not give it away to the highest bidder. I am aware that Governor Christie is responsible for the change in the make-up the board, and power has been given away to suit him and his interests. He has single-mindedly ridden over all the environmental protections throughout the state. Don't give away your original mission for this deeply unpopular governor. Move away from him and his dictums and don't betray your mission.

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Sincerely,

Dionne Polk

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From: Jay Mounier <jemounier@outlook.com>
To: "planning@njpines.state.nj.us" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: 11/13/2017 10:23 AM
Subject: Comment on September 2017 revised rule proposal

Susan R. Grogan, P.P., AICP
Chief Planner, Pinelands Commission

Susan,

I want to comment on N.J.A.C. 7:50-4.1(a)17 proposed for clarification in this proposal. I agree that the proposed exemption of linear clearing of vegetation, up to six feet in width would be easier to administer but it would be woefully inadequate as a firebreak. A firebreak up to six feet wide would control and reduce the threat of only the most minimal wildfire under only the very best of weather conditions.

At N.J.A.C. 7:50-6.121 through 6.125, the Pinelands Plan (CMP) lays out a Fire Management Plan that establishes minimum widths of firebreaks between thirty and one hundred feet depending on forest conditions. This Fire Management Plan suggests that minimum firebreak widths in the Pinelands must be much more than six feet wide. Furthermore, these firebreaks must be maintained annually according to the Plan. The proposed clarification would require an application to the Commission for the mandated annual maintenance of firebreaks throughout the region.

I suggest that the proposed amendment to N.J.A.C. 7:50-4.1(a)17 be deleted from this rule proposal.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this proposal.

Jay E. Mounier
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Franklinville, NJ 08322

From: Jay Mounier <jemounier@outlook.com>
To: "planning@njpines.state.nj.us" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
CC: Nancy Wittenberg <nancy.wittenberg@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: 11/17/2017 2:04 PM
Subject: Further comment on November 2017 amendment proposal

More on the proposed amendment to N.J.A.C. 7:50-4.1(a)17:

It almost looks like the Commission is trading fire safety for increased income from fees! Bad bargain; right on the edge of malfeasance! No landowner or public agency is going to spend the money to build and maintain fire breaks just for the fun of cutting trees down and running a bulldozer in the woods. As I thought the Commission was well aware, wildfire is a serious threat to the natural and built resources of the Pines but this proposed amendment is putting administrative (applications and long reviews) and financial (fees) impediments in the way of the very improvements that are desperately needed to improve forest safety.

Who is behind this amendment, some frustrated arsonist who is tired of his work going nowhere, or some greedy bureaucrat hungering for more income? The worst that can be said about building firebreaks in the Pines is that it creates habitat for rare and endangered plants and animals that need an open canopy.

I ask (pleading this time) again that this amendment be deleted from the proposal.

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Sincerely,

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From: Galen <darilyn.galen@yahoo.com>
To: "planning@njpines.state.nj.us" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: 11/16/2017 9:31 PM
Subject: Proposed Changes to N.J.A.C. 7:50-4.1(a)(17)(ii)

Whiting Village at Crestwood (aka Village 7) is in the process of setting up the Firewise program for our community. This program's goal is to reduce the probability of homes in our village being burned if there is a wildfire in the pinelands adjacent to our village. We feel that the proposed changes to the N.J.A.C., expressly restricting a firebreak to 6 feet in width and, also, the restriction of not removing plants over 4 feet in height unless a permit is obtained, would make it very difficult to carry out the means of making our community as fire-resistant as possible. The permits required to exceed the proposed limits would add expense and time to the implementation of the Firewise program.

We strongly urge you not to implement the propose changes as it would greatly add to the difficulty of protecting our homes. You do from time to time approve the development of villages of homes within the Pinelands. Please also make the protection of these homes as easy to do as well. The removing of flammable material around these villages does not encroach upon the Pinelands as much as a development of buildings does.

I urge you again, as spokesman for our Village, to not make the proposed restrictive changes to the code.

Respectfully,
Galen Preble Trustee and Treasurer
Whiting Village at Crestwood 1 Falmouth Avenue Whiting, New Jersey 08759

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To: Pinelands Commission <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
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Dear Pineland Commission:

November 16, 2017

Tall Timbers Research Station and Land Conservancy in Tallahassee Florida is a highly regarded information and educational resource in the areas of fire ecology, game bird management, vertebrate ecology and forestry. **The Research Station** is recognized as the foremost researcher of fire ecology and is a supporter of the right to use prescribed fire for land management. **The Land Conservancy** is noted to be one of the nation's leading land trusts, due to having protected traditional land uses in north Florida and south Georgia by preserving more than 128,000 acres through conservation easements.

Dr. Theron Terhune, Game Bird Program Director of Tall Timbers is an instrumental member of the team responsible for the reintroduction of Bobwhite Quail to the Pine Island Cranberry Company lands in Chatsworth, NJ. Pine Island owner, Bill Haines, Jr. was the recipient of New Jersey's first ever National Bobwhite Conservation Initiative's (NBCI) National Fire Bird Conservation Award in September of this year.

The "Fire Bird" award symbolizes the reliance of Bobwhites on fire which preserves their habitat in the "early successional" stage which includes native grasses, wildflowers, scrub brush and young forest. The term "Fire Bird" was first coined by Herbert Stoddard, whose research with bobwhites has been influential in establishing criteria and standards towards the restoration of bobwhite habitat.

The Fire Ecology Program enlisted by Tall Timbers Research Station and Land Conservancy promotes the use of prescribed fire or controlled burning as an indispensable instrument for managing natural environments. Fire-dependent ecosystems include the habitat required by bobwhite quail. Prescribed fire is used to manage for bobwhite, who require an open savannah landscape, as do other upland game and non-game wildlife, pollinators and plant species. Numerous native plants and a suite of animals whose survival hinges on fire to maintain their habitat, have become rare and in some areas threatened, because of the lack of fire use.

We want to protect the characteristic, rural landscape as well as the residents who make their homes adjacent to these environments. Tall Timbers works collaboratively with the Coalition of Prescribed Fire Councils. These Councils, comprised of private citizens, and government employees, advocate for prescribed burning as a benign tool which applies a natural method to sustain ecosystem health and diminish wildfire risks. It has been proven through the research of Tall Timbers that ecosystems are healthiest when small fires periodically burn off underbrush and debris. These materials act as tinder and fuel for wildfires.

Preparing communities which are adjacent to wildlands so they can take actions to prevent loss and damage from wildfires can be obtained through public information and education. Community





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preparedness programs and wildfire mitigation actions, of which fire breaks are a necessary part, and which should be able to be instituted without stipulations.

Trustees from the South Jersey Quail Project personally visited Tall Timbers on 11/10/17 where they were given a guided tour of the property by Dr. Theron Terhune, Game Bird Program Director. Included in the tour was reclaimed forestry, controlled burn plots in various stages of regrowth, and pristine upland game habitat perfect for bobwhite quail propagation. We were able to see firsthand the beneficial effects of prescribed fire, and the differences in land management properties, when it is used as an essential tool vs. when the forest is allowed to grow unchecked.

The South Jersey Quail Project, being stewards of the environment, and advocates for the private land owners, agencies and youth who we partner with, believe the public at large needs to know of these benefits, and at the same time be able to protect themselves from wildfires. Wildfires which can be prevented through prescribed fires. Therefore, private land owners need to be able to freely enlist the use of firebreaks.

If private land owners are made to require permits for the construction of firebreaks, the firebreaks may not be created. This would place landowners, homeowners, communities, and children as well as wildlife and property in jeopardy with the possibility of damage, and loss of life.

Please note the many wildfires which have occurred could have been mitigated and the amount of damage they caused prevented if firebreaks were used throughout the communities. And, if they had been prepared through education and planning, there could have been much less destruction and death.

Please consider our stance prior to making your decision regarding the rule proposals within the comprehensive Management Plan. We are in agreement with the exemption of applications for those firebreaks up to six feet. Although, we believe the firebreak language should also include the ability of private land owners to maintain a cleared and defensible buffer around their homes and other structures. As well as construction of firebreaks for the intention wildfire mitigation when prescribed fire is used for wildlife and land management with the intention of habitat reclamation.

Respectfully submitted,

The South Jersey Quail Project
Terry Hider, President
Valerie Hider, Secretary
Al Dolce, Trustee
William Cooper, Trustee
Joseph Matter, Trustee



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D. Janszky

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Cedar Glen Lakes, Inc.

AN ADULT RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITY

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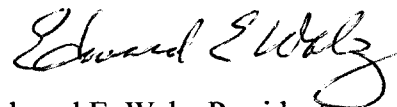
Ms. Susan Grogan
Chief Planner
Pinelands Commission
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Dear Ms. Grogan:

On behalf of the 2000 residents of Cedar Glen Lakes, we ask that you and the Pinelands Commission reconsider the proposed change to N.J.A.C. 7:50-4.1 (a) (17) (ii). Requiring a permit for creating and maintaining firebreaks more than 6 feet is imposing unnecessary regulatory obligations on this town, our residential communities and the forest fire prevention services. The proposed rule would require a permit for every shrub, tree or bush that is over four feet tall. Imposing such a requirement in the process of creating or maintaining firebreaks would absolutely impede the process of maintaining the firebreaks and increase the risk of wildfires. The people who maintain and create these firebreaks are protecting our residents and their homes. The proposed added layer of bureaucratic process will only slow their work and put our residents at risk if these firebreaks are not adequately maintained.

As requested above, please reconsider the proposed change.

Respectfully,



Edward E. Walz, President
Board of Directors

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Dear Ms. Grogan,

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We are currently a participant of the Firewise Program and have an excellent rapport with the Forest Service and specifically regarding the firebreaks that are essential for the safety of our and adjacent communities.

To impose additional and we feel unnecessary, more restrictive requirements in creating and maintaining firebreaks would interfere and delay the process along with increasing the risk of spreading wildfires, thereby affecting the safety of all the residents and their homes.

Thank you for your time and we ask that you please reconsider the proposed changes by keeping in mind the safety of everyone involved.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Albert R. McComas". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Albert R. McComas, Board President
Country Walk of Lake Ridge

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Betsy Piner - CMP amendments - don't block the public

From: Barbara Trought <barbaratrought@gmail.com>
To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Monday, November 13, 2017 8:49 PM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission,

As a resident of New Jersey and someone who greatly appreciates the Pinelands, I am concerned about several of the proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Management Plan. The Comprehensive Management Plan is the heart of the protection of the Pinelands - and an essential part of that is public involvement.

I am concerned about the amendment that seeks to eliminate the requirement to provide notice to individuals who participated in the local approval process. As an individual, I don't have a lot of time to monitor activities at the Pinelands Commission, which meets during the day and is difficult to get to. By comparison, if an issue is important to me, I am able to voice that with my town officials. I understand that the Pinelands towns have essentially incorporated the Comprehensive Management Plan into their code. The town approvals are really the first line of defense for the Pinelands. That you notify the individuals who participated in the local approval process is reasonable and helpful to the Pinelands Commission in gathering all the information.

Additionally, the changes in definition and application of "interested person" to "interested party" limit home and business-owners' rights in the Pinelands. The existing definition of interested person allows for individuals whose "right to use, acquire, or enjoy property... has been denied, violated, or infringed upon by an action or a failure to act under this Plan." This limited definition allows for intervention by individuals who are genuinely impacted by a Commission action, and should remain as is. The proposed new definition fails to actually describe who is actually considered an interested party - the definition states that an interested party is any person who has a particularized property interest sufficient to require a hearing, but the hearing request requirement is only that an interested party makes the request.

As these changes are contrary to the mandate that the Pinelands Commission must encourage maximum public participation, I ask that you rescind these two amendments.

Thank you,

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From: Chris Arney <feedback@lcv.org>
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>>> "Connors, Sen. D.O." <SenConnors@njleg.org> 11/17/2017 1:21 PM >>>

For your review and response. Thank you.

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November 17, 2017

Nancy Wittenberg, Executive Director
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via e-mail transmission

RE: Proposed Regulations, Elimination of Exemption for Fire Breaks

Dear Executive Director Wittenberg and Commission Members:

Recently, our Office has received several communications from various parties, including governmental entities, farmers, first responders and business groups, deeply concerned over and adamantly opposed to the proposed rule changes to the Pinelands Comprehensive Management Plan regarding the Maintenance of Fire Breaks. Enclosed, for your review and convenient reference, are copies of correspondence received by our Office.

Over the years, our Delegation has had the opportunity to work with certain of these interested parties which have felt compelled to engage in this matter. Frankly, we trust their judgement in light of their extensive experience and expertise in dealing with forest fires. Having reviewed the enclosed correspondence and considered the concerns made therein, our Delegation finds that these parties have cogently outlined a solid case for revisiting these proposed rules in the interest of public safety and protecting the economic viability to affected farming interests.

To that end, our Delegation is respectfully urging the Commission to consider the very serious concerns raised in opposition to proposed rules that would eliminate the current exemption for fire breaks, with the intent of opening a dialogue with the interested parties. Surely, a better way forward can be charted that is more inclusive, especially when considering the critical issues at stake. To assist in that effort, our Delegation would be more than willing to facilitate a meeting with the interested parties and members of the Commission to discuss the core issues of concern.

Thank you, in advance, for your immediate attention to this correspondence. As always, we look forward to working with the Commission and its dedicated staff in service to the people of the 9th Legislative District.

(w/enclosure)

Honorable Mayor Stephen Lee IV, Tabernacle Township and Township Committee

Stephen V. Lee, III, President, Lee Brothers, Inc. (s3@leecran.com)

Shawn Cutts, President, American Cranberry Growers Association

Susan R. Grogan, P.P., ACIP, Chief Planner, Pinelands Commission (planning@njpines.state.nj.us)

From: Douglas Cramer <cramerandson@gmail.com>
To: <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: 11/17/2017 2:28 PM
Subject: Opposition to the proposed rule changes to the CMP regarding Fire Breaks

Dear Ms. Grogan:

I wish to express my opposition to N.J.A.C. 7:50-4.1(a)17. The limiting of only exempting 6 foot of clearing for a Fire Breaks is an unrealistic width that can only be maintained by hand. I have narrow equipment that was used in the farming of blueberries and it would take more than 6 foot to operate in and maintain a Fire Break. I have two areas that I have maintain for more than 50 years that are over 20 feet wide. I consider these farm lanes, but you may consider them Fire Breaks. I think a more realistic width for a Fire Break exemption from a required permit would be 30 foot given the size of farm equipment today. I think a more balanced approach should be considered before moving forward with this amendment to the CMP with input from the NJ Forest Fire Service and NJ Department of Agriculture.

Thank you for your consideration,
Douglas Cramer

Sent from my iPhone

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Re: Pinelands CMP Rule Proposal

Dear Ms. Grogan,

Please accept my comments below pertaining to the proposed amendments to the Pinelands Comprehensive Management Plan (CMP): SUBCHAPTER 4. DEVELOPMENT REVIEW: 7:50-4.1 Applicability: (a) For the purposes of this subchapter only, the following shall not be considered development except for development of any historic resource designated by the Pinelands Commission pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:50-6.154: 17. To control and reduce the threat of wildfire: i. Prescribed burning; and [the] *ii. Linear clearing [and maintaining of fire breaks] of vegetation, including subsequent maintenance of that cleared area and vegetation, provided the linear clearing does not exceed six feet in width.*

As you are aware the Pinelands consists of high to extreme high hazard vegetation and wildfire suppression techniques such as fire breaks are crucial to public safety and welfare. The minimum width of six feet is not sufficient for most areas of the Pinelands. The Forest Fire Service actually recommends a minimum of ten feet and up to one hundred feet in extreme high hazard areas as defensible space around structures. There are many types of fire breaks, including roads that are at a minimum ten feet wide. Additionally, the equipment used for fire break preparation and maintenance would typically create vegetation disturbances greater than six feet.

By quantifying the width of a fire break this rule change would be significant and the width proposed is inconsiderate of actual risk. We respectfully request that the Pinelands Commission review this with the appropriate Forest Fire Service and Emergency Management officials to determine the best practices for mitigation of forest fire hazards. If a standard width needs to be set then there should be an appropriate balance between regulation of development and the importance of fire safety.

Ocean County has significant areas of Pinelands and several areas which are vulnerable to


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wildfire. Every year County staff works with Forest Fire Officials on fire breaks and prescribed burning plans to ensure safety and forest health. The Fire Safety Initiative prepared in 2008 was an interagency action plan which created the Pancoast Road fuel break in Ocean and Barnegat Townships. It is a direct result of agencies working together, including the Pinelands Commission. This 200' break has scheduled maintenance to ensure the safety of our residents and the health of our forest. Plans like this should be used strategically and as guides for similar projects rather than creating new regulatory processes that require a new plan every time a break is perceived, especially when tied to necessary safety precautions.

Respectfully Submitted,



Mark A. C. Villinger
Supervising Planner

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cc: David J. McKeon, Ocean County Planning Director
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Re: Proposed Change to N.J.A.C. 7:50-4.1(a)17

Please accept this letter as our comments to the proposed CMP amendment that eliminates the current exemption for fire breaks.

Our family has owned farms in the Pinelands for well over 100 years, and has fought forest fires and engaged extensively in prescribed burning to protect our farms from wildfire.

Based on our experience and training, I submit that Six foot fire lanes are inappropriate and dangerous for the following reasons:

Although fire lanes may be used under ideal weather and fuel conditions, they can be woefully deficient if weather conditions deteriorate while a burn is in progress (which occasionally happens).

They do not allow access for emergency equipment to reach interior portions of the perimeter of a burn in cases of emergency. This is particularly important when burning larger tracts where burn lines may be away from roadways.

The equipment often used to prepare fire breaks is often wider than six feet. Limiting the width to six feet would in many cases necessitate hand preparation of fire breaks, which is not only labor intensive, but often results in a poorer quality (i.e. less safe) fire break.

Those of us that engage in prescribed burning do it to protect our own properties, but also to aid the Forest Fire Service in providing large areas of land protected by prescribed burns, which when pieced together with those areas burned by the Forest Fire Service creating barriers for large forest fires travelling long distances through the forest unimpeded.

Adoption of the proposed rule will diminish our ability to engage safely and effectively in prescribed burning, which is important not only to us as landowners but to the safety of the general public.

Thank you for considering our comments,

William J Cutts

Cutts Brothers, LLC and Wading River Cranberries, LLC



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To: Ms. Susan Grogan, chief planner
New Jersey Pinelands Commission

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P. Furey'.

From: Peter J. Furey, executive director

Re: Proposed CMP rule change –
Subchapter 4. Development Review (7:50-4.1)
fire breaks

As you probably know, Farm Bureau is the largest farmer membership organization in the state and nation. New Jersey Farm Bureau has 9,400 members, among whom are most of the commercial cranberry, blueberry, vegetable and tree fruit farmers in the Pinelands region.

We write in opposition to the above-noted plan amendment for the construction and use of fire breaks, and recommend that this entire subsection 17 dealing with wildfire threat be deleted.

We strongly dislike the idea of requiring a development application plus application fees for what would seem to be a normal land management practice in the Pinelands. We know of no justification for this extension of government regulation.

Fire safety and prescribed burning practices by farmers in the Pinelands are a longstanding management practice. It seems that there is a step missing in this rule-making process, that being an updated dialogue among the public and state/local officials about wildfires in general. Thereafter, recommendations could be considered for implementation based on consensus opinion.

Thank you for your consideration.

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cc: Agriculture Secretary Doug Fisher
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selected Pinelands farmers (Lee, Haines, Cutts)
Jay Mounier, Pinelands consultant

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Sincerely,

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Ms. Susan R. Grogan, P.P., AICP
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Re: Pinelands Comprehensive Management Plan – Proposed Rule Change
Subchapter 4. Development Review: 7:50-4.1 (page 55)

Dear Ms. Grogan:

I am writing as a professional forester with over 43 years of experience working with both wildfire and prescribed fire issues. I have read the Pinelands proposed rule change that suggests only a six foot wide fire break will continue to be exempt from a formal development review approval process.

First, I think we need to know how it was decided that six feet would be sufficient to stop a fire. What referenced standard was used? I am unaware that any such standard would be suggested. For a firebreak to be effective and actually work, its width is highly dependent upon the specific fuel conditions or vegetation structure that has the potential to burn.

Has the suggestion to use six feet taken into account things such as

1. A burn's window scenario?
2. Predicted flame length?
3. Rate of fire spread?
4. Probability of ignition runs?

If not, then what is the reality, cost and chance of success to contain a wildfire with a six foot firebreak?

In light of what we are seeing wild fires do across North American from Gatlinburg, Tennessee to Napa Valley, California, I urge you to rethink this silly standard and reconsider the idea that a fire break of six feet will make any difference in most wild fires. Understand that fire has crossed both lanes of the Garden State Parkway on more than one occasion as if the road wasn't even there.

Have the following been considered:

1. Any reference to potential ignition sources, i.e. roads, railroads, urban developments, recreational sites, utilities. Will six feet work for all of them?
2. Is six feet sufficient to contain or reduce a fire spread and intensity? United States Forest Service suggest 150 feet for cropland and 300 feet for forest lands.

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The width of a specific fire break needs to be site specific. The type and structure of the fuels are critical to how a fire behaves; thus will determine how a fire break needs to be maintained.

A limitation of six feet for fire breaks and requiring development application reviews for needed fire breaks will further impede and suppress the use of prescribed fire, as well as place life and property at grave risks from future wild fires that will occur.

Our Pinelands forests are in great need of increased prescribed fire acreages and we need to enhance rules that will encourage burning not discourage it. Limited use of fire has already had, and continues to have, extreme adverse impacts on the overall ecological integrity of Pinelands natural resources. It is difficult to understand the basis of such a proposed rule. Have there been many issues with fire breaks in terms of any negative impacts?

As our forests have matured and the fuel loads are back at historical levels, this certainly is not the time to be placing obstruction in front of concerned landscape managers who hope to protect extensive areas of urban development, agricultural assets, and ecological resources from uncontrolled wildfire.

I would suggest a better approach would be to engage the public and municipal leaders as to the concerns about wild fire and how policies can be imposed that will result in the use of more controlled fire as wildfire fuel management as opposed to this six foot rule that will only make matters worse in terms of elevating risks to life and property from catastrophic wildfire that occur much too frequently across our nation from coast to coast.

Sincerely,



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11/14/17

Nancy Wittenburg, Executive Director

NJ Pinelands Commission

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Re: Proposed Rule Changes

Dear Ms. Wittenberg:

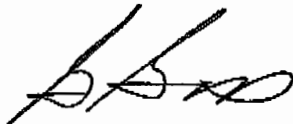
My name is Gordon Gross. I am the Emergency Management Coordinator for Maurice River Township (MRT). MRT is a 98.4 square miles township located in Cumberland County. Sixty-six (66%) of our township is in Wildfire Areas. The maintenance of our Fire Cuts, Breaks and Municipal Paper Roads are very important to our overall Forest Fire Prevention efforts. Our Wildfire Areas are constantly being maintained throughout the year and have been for many years. Without maintaining these Fire Cuts, Breaks and Paper Roads several of our communities would be placed in danger.

The Fire Cuts and Breaks are used for many reasons; such as search and rescue efforts for injured hunters, lost hikers, mountain bike injuries, horseback riders and animal rescues.

Should you stop us from maintaining the Fire Cuts, Breaks and Paper Roads, I feel you are making it very dangerous for our residents, visitors and rescue personnel. For these reason, I am very opposed to the CMP that would stop maintenance of the Fire Cuts, Breaks and Paper Roads. This proposed rule change would also require more permitting power to the Pineland Commission.

Please let the local Officials protect their residents and property.

Respectfully,



Gordon Gross, Emergency Management Coordinator

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I'd also urge you to consider the litigation and public response that would follow the proposed amendment. The notion that the public should be excluded from the commission process is a very easy one to mobilize around and may well trigger a backlash that puts burdensome public involvement requirements on the commission in a classic example of the policy pendulum. The current rules aren't that hard to manage and can be lived with, wiping them away may well create the overreach you're attempting to avoid. Otherwise thanks for creating an easy way to fundraise and raise to prominence issues I wouldn't be able to otherwise and I'll fundraise the court challenges and media blitz.

Dave

Sincerely,

Dave Maynard

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November 9, 2017

Susan Grogan, Chief Planner

Pinelands Commission

P.O. Box 7, New Lisbon NJ 08064

Re: CMP PROPOSED AMENDMENT – FIREBREAK

Dear Ms. Grogan

The Township of Washington, its citizens and landowners recognize the hazard of wildfires in the Pine Barrens, whether they occur on the predominant State-owned lands, the significant agricultural ownerships of berry farms or within the remaining private forests in and around the local communities, scattered hamlets, isolated cabins and recreational facilities. The Mayor and Committee have officially recognized the risks and necessary precautions for hazard mitigation, and these include a Community Wildfire Protection Plan as developed with the State Forest Fire Service, a Community Forest Management Plan developed with the State Forest Service, the Burlington County Hazard Mitigation Plan as developed for the municipality in cooperation with the County OEM and NJ State Police – Office of Homeland Security, the Emergency Operations Plan of the Local Emergency Planning Council and a *Firewise Community U.S.A.* designation for the municipality by the National Fire Protection Association.

Prescribed or controlled burning of hazardous forests is a recognized and necessary component for the prevention and mitigation of wildfire losses. It has been utilized for approximately 100 years on both the private forest lands and the public open space. It has been correctly exempted from review and approval by the Pinelands Commission, as recognized in the Comprehensive Management Plan for the Pine Barrens. It has contributed in recent decades to the management of the danger of the wildfire corridors that exist on the extensive and ever-expanding State ownership centered on the former Wharton Tract through the core of this municipality. This provides for the protection of both life and safety in the broader concept of the Nationally-recognized Wildland-Urban Interface, which locally

extends beyond remote Park lands to rural communities, agricultural assets and recreational facilities and areas.

Safe and effective burning under both prescription and control, entails the professional and expert planning and implementation of fuelbreaks in the form of firelanes and firelines. This has been routinely done for decades by the State Forest Fire Service on public lands and by landowners on private forest lands. These fuelbreaks are utilized as necessary for the safe control of the burning with respect to the specific hazard area and burn unit. They establish the outer perimeter for containment of the burning as well as provide interior ignitions so that the burn is completed in the prescribed and controlled manner. As the burn units are typically subject to re-treatment at varying return intervals to achieve the long-term goals of hazard reduction and fire management, both firelanes and firelines are subject to periodic maintenance to be effective in the next burn.

The Pinelands Commission has proposed to amend the CMP to provide for review, regulation and approval of "FIREBREAKS" that exceed 6 feet in width, are linear in alignment and include both new fuelbreaks as well as necessary routine maintenance. This apparently would apply to the systematic firelanes and firelines in both public and private forests and hazard areas. This is an unnecessary and dangerous over-regulation of an operational detail, that is apparently beyond the qualifications, training and expertise of the Commissioners and review staff. It would further add-to the existing procedures and regulations to safely perform prescribed burning with respect to site-specific burn units and the consideration of the specific local hazard area, exposure risks, fuel cover, fuelbreaks, weather conditions, seasonal/diurnal scheduling, burn prescription, fire behavior, ignition procedures and control safeguards.

After due consideration with the Office of Emergency Management, the Mayor and Committee request that the Commission delete the specific regulation of "firebreaks" from the proposed amendment to the CMP for prescribed burning – that is otherwise permitted and not subject to review.

Very truly,

The Hon. Dudley H.. Lewis, Mayor

Cc: Committee Members Cavileer and James
Hoffman RMC
B. Somes, OEM Coordinator

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Atul Bhankharia

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Betsy Piner - CMP amendments - don't block the public

From: Patricia Haines <dunwurkun2000@yahoo.com>
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Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission,

As a resident of New Jersey and someone who greatly appreciates the Pinelands, I am concerned about several of the proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Management Plan. The Comprehensive Management Plan is the heart of the protection of the Pinelands - and an essential part of that is public involvement.

I am concerned about the amendment that seeks to eliminate the requirement to provide notice to individuals who participated in the local approval process. As an individual, I don't have a lot of time to monitor activities at the Pinelands Commission, which meets during the day and is difficult to get to. By comparison, if an issue is important to me, I am able to voice that with my town officials. I understand that the Pinelands towns have essentially incorporated the Comprehensive Management Plan into their code. The town approvals are really the first line of defense for the Pinelands. That you notify the individuals who participated in the local approval process is reasonable and helpful to the Pinelands Commission in gathering all the information.

Additionally, the changes in definition and application of "interested person" to "interested party" limit home and business-owners' rights in the Pinelands. The existing definition of interested person allows for individuals whose "right to use, acquire, or enjoy property... has been denied, violated, or infringed upon by an action or a failure to act under this Plan." This limited definition allows for intervention by individuals who are genuinely impacted by a Commission action, and should remain as is. The proposed new definition fails to actually describe who is actually considered an interested party - the definition states that an interested party is any person who has a particularized property interest sufficient to require a hearing, but the hearing request requirement is only that an interested party makes the request.

As these changes are contrary to the mandate that the Pinelands Commission must encourage maximum public participation, I ask that you rescind these two amendments.

Thank you,

Patricia Haines
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To: "Dear Ms. Susan Grogan and Pinelands Commission" <planning@njpines.state.nj.us>
Date: Wednesday, October 25, 2017 4:10 PM
Subject: CMP amendments - don't block the public

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Date: Wednesday, October 25, 2017 4:19 PM
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