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New Jersey Pinelands Commission launches review of the Pinelands Comprehensive Management Plan

NEW LISBON – The New Jersey Pinelands Commission has launched an in-depth review of its Comprehensive Management Plan (CMP), and has slated a series of meetings to gather public comment.

"The Plan review process provides us with a great opportunity to step back and evaluate how we can better meet the Commission's goals," said Nancy Wittenberg, the Commission's Executive Director.

The Commission has implemented the Pinelands Comprehensive Management Plan (CMP), the rules that govern land-use and development in the million-acre Pinelands Area of southern New Jersey, since it took effect in 1981. This is the Commission's fourth review of the Plan.

A Plan Review Committee composed of five Commission members has been formed, and it has set the following schedule of meetings to gather input from the public on the Commission's implementation of the CMP:

- Friday, August 10th, at 11 a.m., in the Richard J. Sullivan Center on 15 Springfield Road in Pemberton, NJ;
- Wednesday, August 22nd, at 7 p.m. in the Hamilton Township Town Hall on 6101 Thirteenth Street in Mays Landing, NJ;
- Friday, September 14th, at 11 a.m., in the RJS Center; and
- Monday, September 24th at 7 p.m. in the RJS Center.

The Commission will accept public comments from July 16 to September 28. Comments can be sent by e-mail to info@njpines.state.nj.us or to P.O. Box 359, New Lisbon, NJ 08064. All comments will be posted on a new Plan Review web page on the Commission's website (<http://www.nj.gov/pinelands/cmp/planreview/index.html>).

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As part of the CMP review, the Commission will produce a report that charts the agency's actions taken in support of the goals of the CMP since the last Plan Review. Three such reports have been issued to date, and they are available on the Commission's website.

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