

Town of Dover Planning Board

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Town of Dover
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Proposed Lead Agency: Dover Planning Board
Name of Action/Project: OAK HILL SUBDIVISION- 7061-00-608644
Name of Applicant: Steven Vincent

**RESPONSE TO REQUEST THAT THE ABOVE NAMED AGENCY
SERVE AS LEAD AGENCY REGARDING THE ABOVE ACTION**

On behalf of Friends of the Great Swamp (involved agency), I acknowledge receipt of the lead agency notice in this matter.

The above named involved agency hereby: (Please check one)

CONSENTS that the above named agency serve as lead agency in this application, and requests that the undersigned continue to be notified of SEQR determinations, proceedings and hearings in this matter.

Enclosed you will find a letter of comment and additional letters and comments will be as our scientific review is completed.
() **DOES NOT CONSENT** to the above named agency serving as lead agency in this application and wishes that _____ serve as lead agency. To contest lead agency designation, the undersigned intends to follow the procedures outlined in 6 NYCRR 617.6 (e). JW

() **TAKES NO POSITION** on lead agency designation.

January 6, 2011
Date

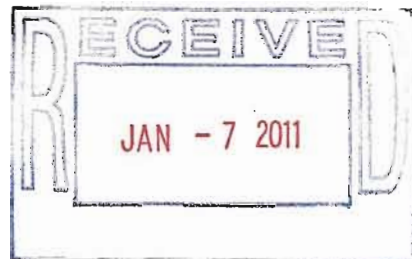
Loretta Wallace, Secretary/Treasurer
Signature

Friends of the Great Swamp
Agency Name

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Town of Dover Planning Board
% Planning Board Secretary, Betty-Ann Sherer
126 East Duncan Hill Road
Dover Plains, N.Y. 12522

January 6, 2011

RE: Proposed Lead Agency for Project---Oak Hill Subdivision---7061-00-608644

Dear Dover Planning Board,

Friends of the Great Swamp (FrOGS) appreciates the opportunity to comment on the Dover Planning Board's request to be named Lead Agency for SEQR for the Oak Hill Subdivision---7061-00-608644 Project. FrOGS has indicated our consent to the Dover Planning Board's assuming the lead agency designation on the enclosed returned form.

Friends of the Great Swamp would like to request that the Town of Dover Planning Board require that a Full Environmental Impact Statement for this subdivision proposal (Oak Hill Subdivision---7061-00-608644) be submitted by the applicant particularly in regard to topography of the parcel, soils, drainage, vegetation cover and type, watercourses, both permanent and seasonal, wetlands and underlying geology particularly as it impacts the underlying aquifer.

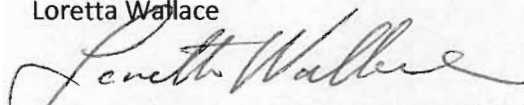
The appropriate time for review of potential environmental impacts and constraints re current and potential uses (based on current zoning regulations) of this large---334 acre parcel is now, before it is subdivided and segmented. The cumulative potential uses of all the lots comprising this large acreage parcel should be examined now. A complete environmental review now is especially important as land use changes of the current single parcel or the proposed six parcels will have a direct impact on the Great Swamp, the Swamp River and the aquifer that underlies both.

The time for a hard look at the potential uses of this proposal to subdivide into six lots is now---before they become divided. Previous review by other agencies of previous projects on the parcel , for example the gravel mining permits and restoration plans and the capped and monitored landfill are inadequate at this time and have not taken into account the best available science, now, in 2011.

Several independent studies of the Swamp River and its environs are underway and will be completed in the next few weeks including the DEIS of a substantial development in close proximity to this Parcel. The Planning Board needs all of this information plus the information that should be required of the Present applicant re this parcel in order to take that "hard look" at this proposed subdivision (please refer to our suggestions in paragraph two which the applicant has indicated are not applicable).

FrOGS appreciates the opportunity to comment on this project and to request that the applicant complete a Full Environmental Impact Statement for review by the Town of Dover Planning Board.

Loretta Wallace


Secretary/Treasurer, Friends of the Great Swamp

