PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

TAKE NOTICE that the Ocean County Engineering Department has filed a request with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Green Acres Program, proposing to divert 0.48 acres of Francis Mills Preserve in connection with the CR 571 Realignment at Francis Mills project. As compensation for the proposed diversion, the Ocean County Engineering Department proposes providing replacement land consisting of Jackson Twp. Block 20501; Lots 2, 3, and 4 in their entirety (2.20 acres) as compensation.

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:36-26.6(c), a hearing to obtain public comment on this request will be held at Jackson Township Municipal Building, 95 West Veterans Highway, Jackson, NJ 08527 on March 6, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

All information submitted by the Ocean County Engineering Department to the Green Acres Program in support of this requested diversion of parkland is available for public inspection at the Township of Jackson Municipal Building, Township Clerk's Office, 95 West Veterans Highway, Jackson, NJ 08527; and the Ocean County Library – Jackson Branch, 2 Jackson Drive, Jackson, NJ 08527; and at the NJDEP Green Acres Program offices, 501 East State Street, 1st Floor, PO Box 420, Trenton, NJ 08625-0420.

Written comments on the diversion request may be directed to the Ocean County Engineering Department at 129 Hooper Avenue, Toms River, NJ 08754 (Tel: (732) 929-2130). Please send a copy of any comments submitted on this request to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Green Acres Program, Bureau of Legal Services and Stewardship, Mail Code 501-01, P.O. Box 420, Trenton, NJ 08625-0420.

Public comment on this diversion request will be accepted during the public hearing or until March 20, 2012.