NOTICE OF EXTENSION OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Green Acres Program

Proposed Conveyance (Lease) of State-owned Lands in High Point State Park (Montague Township, Sussex County), Long Pond Ironworks State Park (West Milford Township and Ringwood Borough, Passaic County) and Ringwood State Park (Ringwood Borough, Passaic County and Mahwah Township, Bergen County)

In order to allow the public the opportunity to review the transcripts of the August 17th, August 18th and September 7th public hearings on the above-captioned matter prior to the close of the post-hearing public comment period, the Department has extended the deadline for the submission of written public comments on the proposed conveyance to **September 30, 2011**.

After the close of the public comment period, the Department will prepare a summary of the public comments received and the Department's responses. The response to comments document will be posted on the Project Information Page at http://www.state.nj.us/dep/greenacres/neup.html as soon as it is available. Pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 13:1D-52a(4), the earliest approval date for the proposed conveyance would be December 6, 2011 (90 days from the September 7th hearing.)

Any written comments received by the Department between September 30, 2011 and the date the Department takes formal action on the proposed conveyance will be taken into consideration by the Department in making its final decision on the proposed conveyance. However, the Department will not issue a separate formal response to any comments received after the September 30, 2011 deadline.

Please submit any written comments on the proposed conveyance to:

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