

Memorandum

Office of the County Executive Michaelian Office Building

February 7, 2025

TO:

Hon. Vedat Gashi, Chair

Hon. Jose Alvarado, Vice Chair

Hon. Tyrae Woodson-Samuels, Majority Leader

Hon. Margaret Cunzio, Minority Leader

FROM:

Kenneth W. Jenkins

County Executive

RE:

Message Requesting Immediate Consideration: CBA & Amended Bond

Act - RWPR5 - Ward Pound Ridge Reservation Fire Tower.

This will confirm my request that the Board of Legislators allow submission of the referenced communication to be submitted to the Board of Legislators February 10, 2025 Agenda.

Transmitted herewith for your review and approval is an Act which, if adopted, would authorize the County of Westchester ("County") to amend its current year Capital Budget ("Capital Budget Amendment"), as well to as adopt a related amended bond act ("Amended Bond Act") to finance the following capital project: RWPR5.

Therefore, since this communication is of the utmost importance, it is respectfully submitted that the County Board of Legislators accepts this submission for February 10, 2025 "blue sheet" calendar.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.



Kenneth W. Jenkins Westchester County Executive

February 5, 2025

Westchester County Board of Legislators 800 Michaelian Office Building White Plains, New York 10601

Dear Members of the Board of Legislators:

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RWPR5 – Ward Pound Ridge Reservation Fire Tower ("RWPR5").

The proposed Capital Budget Amendment will amend the County's capital budget to increase the County share for RWPR5 by \$900,000. The Department of Parks, Recreation and Conservation ("Department") has advised that the Capital Budget Amendment is necessary to fund construction of the fire tower at the County's Ward Pound Ridge Reservation ("Reservation").

The Amended Bond Act, in the total amount of \$1,700,000, which increases the amount authorized by \$1,400,000 and includes \$300,000 in previously authorized bonds of the County, would finance the cost of installation of a fire tower at Ward Pound Ridge Reservation and all associated site work. It should be noted that the estimated maximum cost of RWPR5 is \$1,800,000, which includes \$100,000 in non-County shares.

The Department has advised that that the financing is necessary to replace an iconic feature at the Reservation. The new fire tower will be installed at the site of the former fire tower, located on the highest point in the Reservation, which is 860 feet above sea level. The site is accessible via the Reservation's blue trail from the Kimberly Bridge picnic area and, once constructed, will be a fantastic destination point with spectacular views across the entire Reservation.

Design is currently being undertaken by a consultant and is expected to be completed by the second quarter of 2025. It is estimated that construction will take twelve months to complete and will begin after award and execution of the construction contracts.

It should be noted that your Honorable Board has authorized the County to issue bonds for RWPR5 as follows: Bond Act No. 188-2021 in the amount of \$300,000, which authorized financing for installation of a fire tower at the Ward Pound Ridge Reservation and all associated site work. These bonds have not been sold. Accordingly, it is now requested that Bond Act No. 188-2021 be amended to increase the amount authorized by \$1,400,000, for a total authorized amount, as amended, of \$1,700,000.

Section 167.131 of the County Charter mandates that a capital budget amendment that introduces a new capital project or changes the location, size or character of an existing capital project be accompanied to the Board of Legislators by a report of the Westchester County Planning Board (the "Planning Board") with respect to the physical planning aspects of the project. Accordingly, the necessary Planning Board report for RWPR5 is annexed.

Based on the importance of this project to the County, favorable action on the proposed Amended Bond Act and Capital Budget Amendment is respectfully requested.

Sincerely,

Kenneth W. Jerkins County Executive

HONORABLE BOARD OF LEGISLATORS THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, NEW YORK

Your Committee is in receipt of a transmission from the County Executive recommending approval by the County of Westchester ("County") of an act amending the County's current-year capital budget ("Capital Budget Amendment"), as well as adoption of a related amended bond act ("Amended Bond Act") which, if adopted, will authorize the County to issue up to \$1,700,000 in bonds of the County to finance capital project RWPR5 – Ward Pound Ridge Reservation Fire Tower ("RWPR5").

Your Committee is advised that proposed Capital Budget Amendment will amend the County's capital budget to increase the County share for RWPR5 by \$900,000. The Department of Parks, Recreation and Conservation ("Department") has advised that the Capital Budget Amendment is necessary to fund construction of the fire tower at the County's Ward Pound Ridge Reservation ("Reservation").

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The Planning Department has advised your Committee that based on its review, RWPR5 has been classified as an "Unlisted" action under the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQR"). A Resolution, and proposed Negative Declaration, along with a full Environmental Assessment Form, prepared by the Planning Department, are attached to assist your Honorable Board in complying with SEQR. Upon review, your Committee concludes that the proposed action will not have any significant impact on the environment and recommends the adoption of the Resolution adopting the Negative Declaration. As you know, a determination of significance must be made prior to enacting the aforementioned Bond Act

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Your Committee has carefully considered the proposed Capital Budget Amendment, as well as the related Amended Bond Act, and recommends approval of both of the proposed Acts, noting that the Bond Act can only be enacted following adoption of the Capital Budget Amendment. It should be noted that an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of your Honorable Board is required in order to amend the County's Capital Budget and to adopt the Amended Bond Act.

Dated: , 20___. White Plains, New York

COMMITTEE ON

s/mg/12-16-24

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, there is pending before this Honorable Board an act to authorize the County of Westchester to issue bonds in connection with capital project RWPR5 ("Bond Act"); and

WHEREAS, this Honorable Board has determined that the proposed Bond Act would constitute an action under Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, known as the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to SEQRA and its implementing regulations (6 NYCRR Part 617), this project is classified as an "Unlisted action," which requires this Honorable Board to make a determination as to whether the proposed action will have a significant impact on the environment; and

WHEREAS, the County of Westchester conducted coordinated review as permitted for Unlisted actions pursuant to Section 617.6(b)(3) of the implementing regulations and, having received no objections, is assuming the role of Lead Agency for the environmental review of this project; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with SEQRA and its implementing regulations, a Full Environmental Assessment Form ("EAF") has been prepared to assist this Honorable Board in its environmental assessment of this proposed action; and

WHEREAS, this Honorable Board has carefully considered the proposed action and has reviewed the attached EAF and the criteria set forth in Section 617.7 of the implementing regulations and has identified the relevant areas of environmental concern, as described in the attached EAF, to determine if this proposed action will have a significant impact on the environment.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the County Board of Legislators of the County of Westchester, State of New York, as follows:

RESOLVED, that based upon the Honorable Board's review of the EAF and for the reasons set forth therein, this Board finds that there will be no significant adverse impact on the environment from the Bond Act and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board of Legislators is authorized and directed to sign the "Determination of Significance" in the EAF, which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, as the "Responsible Officer in Lead Agency"; to issue this "Negative Declaration" on behalf of this Board in satisfaction of SEQRA and its implementing regulations; and to immediately transmit same to the Commissioner of Planning to be filed, published and made available pursuant to the requirements of Part 617 of 6 NYCRR; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Resolution shall take effect immediately.



Department of Planning

432 Michaelian Office Building White Plains, NY 10601

To:

The Westchester County Planning Board

From:

Susan Darling, Chief Planner

Date:

February 5, 2025

RE:

NO-ACTION MEMO - Capital Budget Amendment - RWPR5 Ward Pound Ridge

Fire Tower (2025 CBA)

The County Executive is requesting an amendment to the 2025 Capital Budget to modify the funding of the above project. Capital project RWPR5 Ward Pound Ridge Fire Tower (2025 CBA) will increase the County share for RWPR5 by \$900,000. The Department of Parks, Recreation and Conservation has advised that the Capital Budget Amendment is necessary to fund construction of the fire tower at the County's Ward Pound Ridge Reservation.

The Amended Bond Act, in the total amount of \$1,700,000, which includes \$300,000 in previously authorized bonds of the County, would finance the cost of installation of a fire tower at Ward Pound Ridge Reservation and all associated site work.

This project was classified as a PL2 in the Planning Board Report for the 2020 Capital Budget adopted February 4, 2020.

There are no substantial changes to the physical planning aspects of this project as reviewed by the Board; therefore, no further action by your Board is necessary.

cc:

Blanca P. López, Commissioner David S. Kvinge, Assistant Commissioner Michael Lipkin, Associate Planner

Full Environmental Assessment Form Part 1 - Project and Setting

Instructions for Completing Part 1

Part 1 is to be completed by the applicant or project sponsor. Responses become part of the application for approval or funding, are subject to public review, and may be subject to further verification.

Complete Part 1 based on information currently available. If additional research or investigation would be needed to fully respond to any item, please answer as thoroughly as possible based on current information; indicate whether missing information does not exist, or is not reasonably available to the sponsor; and, when possible, generally describe work or studies which would be necessary to update or fully develop that information.

Applicants/sponsors must complete all items in Sections A & B. In Sections C, D & E, most items contain an initial question that must be answered either "Yes" or "No". If the answer to the initial question is "Yes", complete the sub-questions that follow. If the answer to the initial question is "No", proceed to the next question. Section F allows the project sponsor to identify and attach any additional information. Section G requires the name and signature of the applicant or project sponsor to verify that the information contained in Part 1 is accurate and complete.

A. Project and Applicant/Sponsor Information.

Name of Action or Project:				
Ward Pound Ridge Reservation Fire Tower				
Project Location (describe, and attach a general location map):				
Highest point located in the southeast section of Ward Pound Ridge Reservation, Towr	n of Pound Ridge, Westchester	County		
Brief Description of Proposed Action (include purpose or need):		70 · 77		
Installation of a new fire tower at the same location where one once stood at the Count be used for public viewing. The base of the tower will be approximately 22 feet square concrete foundation anchored to bedrock. An existing dirt path from Pell Hill to the top original fire tower, will be used for construction access. The path, which has since service the placement of gravel in several small sections, to level off and provide sufficient width.	and will consist of galvanized st of the mountain, which previous ed as a hiking trail, will require s	eel members, founded on a ly served as a driveway to the come minor improvements, such as		
Name of Applicant/Sponsor:	Telephone: 914-995-2	2000		
County of Westchester	E-Mail:	E-Mail:		
Address: 148 Martine Avenue				
City/PO: White Plains	State: NY	Zip Code: 10601		
Project Contact (if not same as sponsor; give name and title/role):	Telephone: 914-995-4	400		
David S. Kvinge, Assistant Commissioner of Planning	E-Mail: dsk2@westch			
Address: 148 Martine Avenue, Room 432				
City/PO:	State:	Zip Code:		
White Plains	NY	10601		
Property Owner (if not same as sponsor):	Telephone:	Telephone:		
	E-Mail:			
Address:				
City/PO:	State:	Zip Code:		

B. Government Approvals

B. Government Approvals, l assistance.)	Funding, or Spor	nsorship. ("Funding" includes grants, loans, ta	x relief, and any othe	er forms of financial
Government En	tity	If Yes: Identify Agency and Approval(s) Required	oval(s) Application Date (Actual or projected)	
a. City Counsel, Town Board, or Village Board of Trustee				
b. City, Town or Village Planning Board or Commis	☐Yes ☑ No sion		***	
c. City, Town or Village Zoning Board of A	□Yes☑No ppeals			
d. Other local agencies	□Yes ZNo) 	-
e. County agencies	Z Yes □No	Westchester County Board of Legislators (funding)		
f. Regional agencies	□Yes ZNo		-	
g. State agencies	Z Yes □No	DASNY SAM Grant SHPO (consultation)		
h. Federal agencies	□Yes ☑ No	1.07		
i. Coastal Resources.i. Is the project site within	a Coastal Area, o	or the waterfront area of a Designated Inland Wa	aterway?	□Yes Z No
ii. Is the project site located iii. Is the project site within		with an approved Local Waterfront Revitalization Hazard Area?	ion Program?	☐ Yes ☑ No ☐ Yes ☐ No
C. Planning and Zoning			176,-4.092	*
C.1. Planning and zoning acc	10 Table			
only approval(s) which must be If Yes, complete section	be granted to enablions C, F and G.	mendment of a plan, local law, ordinance, rule or ble the proposed action to proceed? Inplete all remaining sections and questions in Pa	•	□Yes ☑ No
C.2. Adopted land use plans.				
a. Do any municipally- adopted where the proposed action w		age or county) comprehensive land use plan(s)	include the site	∠ Yes□No
If Yes, does the comprehensive would be located?	e plan include spe	ecific recommendations for the site where the pr	10 TO TO TO	□Yes☑No
b. Is the site of the proposed ac Brownfield Opportunity Are or other?) If Yes, identify the plan(s): NYC Watershed Boundary; Greenw	ea (BOA); designa	ocal or regional special planning district (for ex ated State or Federal heritage area; watershed m unity	ample: Greenway; nanagement plan;	∠ Yes∏No
c. Is the proposed action locate or an adopted municipal far If Yes, identify the plan(s):		ally within an area listed in an adopted municip plan?	oal open space plan,	□Yes☑No

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C.3. Zoning	
a. Is the site of the proposed action located in a municipality with an adopted zoning law or ordinance. If Yes, what is the zoning classification(s) including any applicable overlay district? R-3A Three-acre Residential District	Z Yes□No
b. Is the use permitted or allowed by a special or conditional use permit?	☐ Yes Z No
c. Is a zoning change requested as part of the proposed action? If Yes, i. What is the proposed new zoning for the site?	Yes No
C.4. Existing community services.	***
a. In what school district is the project site located? Bedford School District	
b. What police or other public protection forces serve the project site? Pound Ridge Police Department	
c. Which fire protection and emergency medical services serve the project site? Pound Ridge Fire District; Lewisboro EMS	
d. What parks serve the project site? N/A	
D. Project Details	
D.1. Proposed and Potential Development	3.5
a. What is the general nature of the proposed action (e.g., residential, industrial, commercial, recreational; if mixed components)? Recreational	d, include all
b. a. Total acreage of the site of the proposed action? b. Total acreage to be physically disturbed? c. Total acreage (project site and any contiguous properties) owned or controlled by the applicant or project sponsor? 4,315 acres	
c. Is the proposed action an expansion of an existing project or use? i. If Yes, what is the approximate percentage of the proposed expansion and identify the units (e.g., acres, miles square feet)? % Units:	Yes No No housing units,
 d. Is the proposed action a subdivision, or does it include a subdivision? If Yes, i. Purpose or type of subdivision? (e.g., residential, industrial, commercial; if mixed, specify types) 	Yes Z No
ii. Is a cluster/conservation layout proposed? iii. Number of lots proposed? iv. Minimum and maximum proposed lot sizes? Minimum Maximum	□Yes □No
e. Will the proposed action be constructed in multiple phases? i. If No, anticipated period of construction: ii. If Yes: • Total number of phases anticipated • Anticipated commencement date of phase 1 (including demolition) • Anticipated completion date of final phase month year	☐ Yes ☑ No
Generally describe connections or relationships among phases, including any contingencies where progre determine timing or duration of future phases:	ss of one phase may

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	t include new resid				☐Yes ☑ No
If Yes, show num	bers of units propo		There Franklin	Marking Francisco	
	One Family	Two Family	Three Family	Multiple Family (four or more)	
Initial Phase			87 		
At completion					
of all phases	2 2	<u> </u>			
If Yes,			al construction (inclu	iding expansions)?	Z Yes□No
ii. Dimensions (of structures	nonosed structure:	110 haight	22 width; and 22 length	
iii Approximate	extent of building	space to be heated	or cooled:	0 square feet	
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				igoon or other storage?	□Yes ☑ No
If Yes,	o violation of a mate	. ouppiy, reserven	, poliu, iuko, wusto it	goon of other storage.	
i. Purpose of the					
ii. If a water imp	oundment, the prin	cipal source of the	water:	Ground water Surface water strea	ms Other specify:
iii. If other than v	vater, identify the t	ype of impounded/	contained liquids and	their source.	
iv. Approximate	size of the propose	d impoundment.	Volume:	million gallons; surface area:	acres
v. Dimensions o	f the proposed dam	or impounding str	ucture:	height; length ructure (e.g., earth fill, rock, wood, con-	
vi. Construction	memou/materiais	ior the proposed da	in or impounding str	ucture (e.g., earth fill, rock, wood, con-	crete):
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D.2. Project Op	erations				
	general site prepar			uring construction, operations, or both? or foundations where all excavated	□Yes Z No
i. What is the pu	rpose of the excava	ation or dredging?			
	terial (including ro (specify tons or cu		s, etc.) is proposed to	be removed from the site?	
	at duration of time				
iii. Describe natur	re and characteristi	cs of materials to b	e excavated or dredg	ed, and plans to use, manage or dispos	e of them.
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iv. Will there be If yes, describ	onsite dewatering be.	or processing of ex	cavated materials?		☐Yes ☐No
v. What is the to	tal area to be dredg	ed or excavated?		acres	
vi. What is the m	aximum area to be	worked at any one		acres	
			r dredging?	feet	
	vation require blas				☐Yes ☐No
ix. Summarize site	e reclamation goals	and plan:			
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			on of, increase or dec ch or adjacent area?	rease in size of, or encroachment	Yes 7No
If Yes:	ng wettanu, watero	ouy, shorenne, bea	on or aujacent area?		
i. Identify the w	etland or waterbod	y which would be a	affected (by name, w	rater index number, wetland map numb	er or geographic

ii. Describe how the proposed action would affect that waterbody or wetland, e.g. excavation, fill, placer alteration of channels, banks and shorelines. Indicate extent of activities, alterations and additions in s	ment of structures, or quare feet or acres:
iii. Will the proposed action cause or result in disturbance to bottom sediments? If Yes, describe:	□Yes□No
iv. Will the proposed action cause or result in the destruction or removal of aquatic vegetation?	☐ Yes ☐ No
If Yes: • acres of aquatic vegetation proposed to be removed:	
expected acreage of aquatic vegetation remaining after project completion:	
purpose of proposed removal (e.g. beach clearing, invasive species control, boat access):	
proposed method of plant removal: if a homized/backinide treatment will be used as a if a method of plant removal.	
if chemical/herbicide treatment will be used, specify product(s): v. Describe any proposed reclamation/mitigation following disturbance:	
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c. Will the proposed action use, or create a new demand for water?	☐Yes Z No
If Yes:	
i. Total anticipated water usage/demand per day: gallons/day	
ii. Will the proposed action obtain water from an existing public water supply?	☐Yes ☐No
If Yes:	
Name of district or service area:	
Does the existing public water supply have capacity to serve the proposal?	□Yes□No
Is the project site in the existing district?	☐ Yes ☐ No
Is expansion of the district needed?	☐ Yes☐ No
Do existing lines serve the project site?	☐ Yes☐ No
iii. Will line extension within an existing district be necessary to supply the project? If Yes:	□Yes □No
Describe extensions or capacity expansions proposed to serve this project:	
Source(s) of supply for the district:	
iv. Is a new water supply district or service area proposed to be formed to serve the project site? If, Yes:	☐ Yes☐No
Applicant/sponsor for new district:	
Date application submitted or anticipated:	
Proposed source(s) of supply for new district:	
v. If a public water supply will not be used, describe plans to provide water supply for the project:	
vi. If water supply will be from wells (public or private), what is the maximum pumping capacity:	gallons/minute.
d. Will the proposed action generate liquid wastes?	☐ Yes Z No
If Yes:	
 i. Total anticipated liquid waste generation per day: gallons/day ii. Nature of liquid wastes to be generated (e.g., sanitary wastewater, industrial; if combination, describe a 	
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iii. Will the proposed action use any existing public wastewater treatment facilities? If Yes:	□ Yes □No
Name of wastewater treatment plant to be used:	
Name of district:	
Does the existing wastewater treatment plant have capacity to serve the project?	☐ Yes ☐No
Is the project site in the existing district?	☐ Yes ☐No
Is expansion of the district needed?	☐ Yes ☐No
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Do existing sewer lines serve the project site?	□Yes□No
Will a line extension within an existing district be necessary to serve the project?	□Yes□No
If Yes:	
Describe extensions or capacity expansions proposed to serve this project:	
iv. Will a new wastewater (sewage) treatment district be formed to serve the project site?	□Yes□No
If Yes:	
Applicant/sponsor for new district:	
Date application submitted or anticipated:	
What is the receiving water for the wastewater discharge?	
v. If public facilities will not be used, describe plans to provide wastewater treatment for the project, including spec receiving water (name and classification if surface discharge or describe subsurface disposal plans):	ifying proposed
vi. Describe any plans or designs to capture, recycle or reuse liquid waste:	
e. Will the proposed action disturb more than one acre and create stormwater runoff, either from new point	☐Yes Z No
sources (i.e. ditches, pipes, swales, curbs, gutters or other concentrated flows of stormwater) or non-point source (i.e. sheet flow) during construction or post construction? If Yes:	103/2110
i. How much impervious surface will the project create in relation to total size of project parcel?	
Square feet or acres (impervious surface) Square feet or acres (parcel size)	
ii. Describe types of new point sources.	
iii. Where will the stormwater runoff be directed (i.e. on-site stormwater management facility/structures, adjacent progroundwater, on-site surface water or off-site surface waters)?	roperties,
If to surface waters, identify receiving water bodies or wetlands:	
Will stormwater runoff flow to adjacent properties?	□Yes□No
iv. Does the proposed plan minimize impervious surfaces, use pervious materials or collect and re-use stormwater?	
f. Does the proposed action include, or will it use on-site, one or more sources of air emissions, including fuel	✓Yes No
combustion, waste incineration, or other processes or operations?	
If Yes, identify:	
i. Mobile sources during project operations (e.g., heavy equipment, fleet or delivery vehicles)	
The project will require a crane, delivery trucks and other heavy equipment to install the tower. ii. Stationary sources during construction (e.g., power generation, structural heating, batch plant, crushers)	
None	
 Stationary sources during operations (e.g., process emissions, large boilers, electric generation) None	
g. Will any air emission sources named in D.2.f (above), require a NY State Air Registration, Air Facility Permit,	☐Yes Z No
or Federal Clean Air Act Title IV or Title V Permit?	☐ 1 e2 № 140
If Yes:	
i. Is the project site located in an Air quality non-attainment area? (Area routinely or periodically fails to meet	□Yes□No
ambient air quality standards for all or some parts of the year)	
ii. In addition to emissions as calculated in the application, the project will generate:	
•Tons/year (short tons) of Carbon Dioxide (CO ₂)	
•Tons/year (short tons) of Nitrous Oxide (N2O)	
 Tons/year (short tons) of Perfluorocarbons (PFCs) 	
•Tons/year (short tons) of Sulfur Hexafluoride (SF ₆)	
 Tons/year (short tons) of Carbon Dioxide equivalent of Hydroflourocarbons (HFCs) 	
 Tons/year (short tons) of Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs) 	

h. Will the proposed action generate or emit methane (including, but not limited to, sewage treatment plants, landfills, composting facilities)? If Yes: i. Estimate methane generation in tons/year (metric):	□Yes √ No
 ii. Describe any methane capture, control or elimination measures included in project design (e.g., combustion to g electricity, flaring): 	enerate heat or
 i. Will the proposed action result in the release of air pollutants from open-air operations or processes, such as quarry or landfill operations? If Yes: Describe operations and nature of emissions (e.g., diesel exhaust, rock particulates/dust): 	∐Yes √ îNo
j. Will the proposed action result in a substantial increase in traffic above present levels or generate substantial new demand for transportation facilities or services? If Yes: i. When is the peak traffic expected (Check all that apply):	Yes No
iii. Parking spaces: Existing Proposed Net increase/decrease iv. Does the proposed action include any shared use parking? v. If the proposed action includes any modification of existing roads, creation of new roads or change in existing	☐Yes☐No access, describe:
 vi. Are public/private transportation service(s) or facilities available within ½ mile of the proposed site? vii Will the proposed action include access to public transportation or accommodations for use of hybrid, electric or other alternative fueled vehicles? viii. Will the proposed action include plans for pedestrian or bicycle accommodations for connections to existing pedestrian or bicycle routes? 	☐Yes☐No ☐Yes☐No ☐Yes☐No
 k. Will the proposed action (for commercial or industrial projects only) generate new or additional demand for energy? If Yes: i. Estimate annual electricity demand during operation of the proposed action: ii. Anticipated sources/suppliers of electricity for the project (e.g., on-site combustion, on-site renewable, via grid/leother): 	Yes No
iii. Will the proposed action require a new, or an upgrade, to an existing substation?	☐Yes☐No
I. Hours of operation. Answer all items which apply. i. During Construction: Monday - Friday: Typically 8AM to 4PM Saturday: Saturday: Dawn to dusk Sunday: Sunday: Dawn to dusk Holidays: Holidays: Dawn to dusk	

m. Will the proposed action produce noise that will exceed existing ambient noise levels during construction,	✓ Yes □No
operation, or both?	
If yes:	
 i. Provide details including sources, time of day and duration: <u>During construction only, which is anticipated to take less than 6 months, occurring during daytime hours as listed above.</u> 	
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ii. Will the proposed action remove existing natural barriers that could act as a noise barrier or screen?	☐ Yes ☑ No
Describe:	
n. Will the proposed action have outdoor lighting?	☐ Yes ☑ No
If yes:	
i. Describe source(s), location(s), height of fixture(s), direction/aim, and proximity to nearest occupied structures:	
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ii. Will proposed action remove existing natural barriers that could act as a light barrier or screen?	☐ Yes ☐ No
Describe:	
o. Does the proposed action have the potential to produce odors for more than one hour per day?	☐ Yes ☑ No
If Yes, describe possible sources, potential frequency and duration of odor emissions, and proximity to nearest	40 <u>10 10</u>
occupied structures:	
p. Will the proposed action include any bulk storage of petroleum (combined capacity of over 1,100 gallons)	☐ Yes ☑ No
or chemical products 185 gallons in above ground storage or any amount in underground storage?	
If Yes:	
i. Product(s) to be stored	
ii. Volume(s) per unit time (e.g., month, year)	
iii. Generally, describe the proposed storage facilities:	
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q. Will the proposed action (commercial, industrial and recreational projects only) use pesticides (i.e., herbicides,	☐ Yes ☑No
insecticides) during construction or operation?	
If Yes:	
i. Describe proposed treatment(s):	
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ii. Will the proposed action use Integrated Pest Management Practices?	☐ Yes ☐No
r. Will the proposed action (commercial or industrial projects only) involve or require the management or disposal	
of solid waste (excluding hazardous materials)?	
If Yes:	
i. Describe any solid waste(s) to be generated during construction or operation of the facility:	
• Construction: tons per (unit of time)	
 Operation: tons per (unit of time) ii. Describe any proposals for on-site minimization, recycling or reuse of materials to avoid disposal as solid waste: 	
ii. Describe any proposals for on-site minimization, recycling or reuse of materials to avoid disposal as solid waste:	
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Operation:	
iii. Proposed disposal methods/facilities for solid waste generated on-site:	
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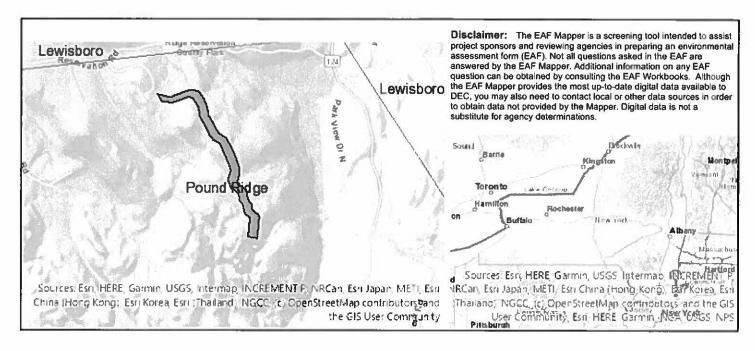
<i>i</i> . 1		s. Does the proposed action include construction or modification of a solid waste management facility?			
	If Yes:				
	i. Type of management or handling of waste proposed for the site (e.g., recycling or transfer station, composting, landfill, or				
	other disposal activities):Anticipated rate of disposal/processing:				
	Tons/month, if transfer or other non-co	mbuction/thermal treatm	ent or		
	Tons/hour, if combustion or thermal tre		icitt, oi		
iii. I	f landfill, anticipated site life:				
	If the proposed action at the site involve the commerc		storage or disposal of hazard	lous Ves ZNo	
	ste?	iai generation, treatment	, storage, or disposar or nazaro	1003 1 103 110	
If Ye					
i. N	ame(s) of all hazardous wastes or constituents to be g	enerated, handled or ma	naged at facility:		
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v. V	Vill any hazardous wastes be disposed at an existing of	offsite hazardous waste f	acility?	Yes No	
	s: provide name and location of facility:				
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II NO	: describe proposed management of any hazardous wa	astes which will not be s	ent to a hazardous waste facilit	ty:	
	(49.44)				
E. Si	te and Setting of Proposed Action				
E. 1	I and uses on and surrounding the project site	3 *	A8 30-	97	
E.1. Land uses on and surrounding the project site					
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	isting land uses.	niect site		75-76	
i. (Check all uses that occur on, adjoining and near the pr		ural (non-farm)		
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Is the project site presently used by members of the community for public recreation? i. If Yes: explain: The site is within a county park. The former driveway is used as a trail to the top which offers scenic views.	✓Yes□No
Are there any facilities serving children, the elderly, people with disabilities (e.g., schools, hospitals, licensed day care centers, or group homes) within 1500 feet of the project site? Yes, i. Identify Facilities:	□Yes √ No
Does the project site contain an existing dam? Yes:	☐ Yes No
i. Dimensions of the dam and impoundment:	
Dam height: feet	
Dam length: feet	
Surface area: acres	
Volume impounded: gallons OR acre-feet	
i. Dam's existing hazard classification:	
ii. Provide date and summarize results of last inspection:	
Has the project site ever been used as a municipal, commercial or industrial solid waste management facility,	□Yes☑No
or does the project site adjoin property which is now, or was at one time, used as a solid waste management facil Yes:	ity?
. Has the facility been formally closed?	□Yes□ No
If yes, cite sources/documentation:	
Describe the location of the project site relative to the boundaries of the solid waste management facility:	
i. Describe any development constraints due to the prior solid waste activities:	
Have hazardous wastes been generated, treated and/or disposed of at the site, or does the project site adjoin property which is now or was at one time used to commercially treat, store and/or dispose of hazardous waste? Yes: Describe waste(s) handled and waste management activities, including approximate time when activities occurred.	□Yes☑No d:
Potential contamination history. Has there been a reported spill at the proposed project site, or have any remedial actions been conducted at or adjacent to the proposed site? (Within the greater 4,000-acre park, but not in proximity to project site.)	✓Yes No
Is any portion of the site listed on the NYSDEC Spills Incidents database or Environmental Site Remediation database? Check all that apply:	Z Yes□No
Yes – Spills Incidents database (Fuel spill on Reservation Rd) Provide DEC ID number(s): Yes – Environmental Site Remediation database Provide DEC ID number(s): Neither database	03)
If site has been subject of RCRA corrective activities, describe control measures:	
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I. Is the project within 2000 feet of any site in the NYSDEC Environmental Site Remediation database? yes, provide DEC ID number(s): V00507	✓Yes□No
. If yes to (i), (ii) or (iii) above, describe current status of site(s):	
507 refers to a former refuse disposal area for the park that was utilized from 1950s - 1980s for refuse generated at the park (i.e.	touch force

v. Is the project site subject to an institutional control	limiting property uses?	☐ Yes Z No
 If yes, DEC site ID number: Describe the type of institutional control (e.g 	deed restriction or easement):	
Describe any use limitations:		
 Describe any engineering controls: Will the project affect the institutional or eng 	rineering controls in place?	☐ Yes ☐ No
Explain:	27 Land 1 M Land 1 Land 1 M L	
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E.2. Natural Resources On or Near Project Site		11-
a. What is the average depth to bedrock on the project	site? o feet	
b. Are there bedrock outcroppings on the project site? If Yes, what proportion of the site is comprised of bed	rock outcroppings? 2 %	✓ Yes No
S		
c. Predominant soil type(s) present on project site:	CtC Chatfield-Hollis-Rock, rolling 70 % CuD Chatfield-Hollis-Rock, hilly 20 %	<u> </u>
	ChB, ChD, CsD 10 %	
d. What is the average depth to the water table on the p	project site? Average:feet	
e. Drainage status of project site soils: Well Drained	d:	×112-12
☐ Moderately \	Well Drained: % of site	
Poorly Drain		
f. Approximate proportion of proposed action site with		
	 ✓ 10-15%: ✓ 15% or greater: ✓ 15% of site 	
g. Are there any unique geologic features on the project	The Company of the Co	Yes No
If Yes, describe:		E 1 400 E 1 10
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h. Surface water features.		
i. Does any portion of the project site contain wetland ponds or lakes)?	ls or other waterbodies (including streams, rivers,	∠ Yes No
ii. Do any wetlands or other waterbodies adjoin the pr	oject site?	∠ Yes No
If Yes to either i or ii, continue. If No, skip to E.2.i.		
iii. Are any of the wetlands or waterbodies within or a	djoining the project site regulated by any federal,	✓ Yes □No
state or local agency?	ly on the project site, provide the following information:	
1	Classification	
Lakes or Ponds: Name	Classification	
Wetlands: Name Federal Waters Wetland No. (if regulated by DEC)	Approximate Size 0.2 a	cre
v. Are any of the above water bodies listed in the most		☐Yes Z No
waterbodies?		
If yes, name of impaired water body/bodies and basis f	or listing as impaired:	
i. Is the project site in a designated Floodway?	12-W 07-13	☐Yes Z No
j. Is the project site in the 100-year Floodplain?		6 4 <u>6 5</u>
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		Yes No
k. Is the project site in the 500-year Floodplain?		Yes No
 Is the project site located over, or immediately adjoint If Yes: 	ning, a primary, principal or sole source aquifer?	☐Yes Z No
i. Name of aquifer:		

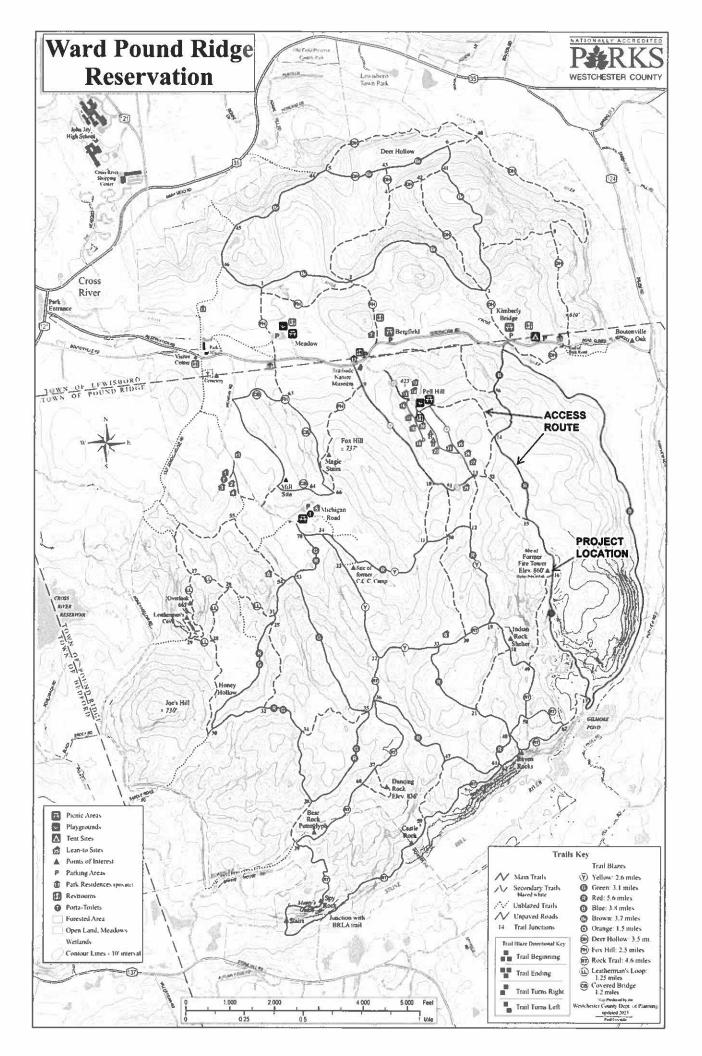
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m. Identify the predominant wildlife species American toad	2. Programme 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1	White-tailed deer	
	Blue Jay		
Red-tailed hawk	Downy woodpecker	Eastern rat snake	
Northern cardinal	Barred owl	Eastern garter snake	
n. Does the project site contain a designated s	ignificant natural community?		✓ Yes No
If Yes:			
i. Describe the habitat/community (compos Acidic Talus Slope Woodland	ition, function, and basis for designation):	
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ii. Source(s) of description or evaluation: N iii. Extent of community/habitat:	Y Natural Hentage program	777	
Currently:	95.05		
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• Gain or loss (indicate + or -):	a	cres	
o. Does project site contain any species of pla endangered or threatened, or does it contain If Yes: i. Species and listing (endangered or threatened)	any areas identified as habitat for an en	dangered or threatened spec	☐ Yes☑No ies?
	C 1	Residence processes processes to the same	
p. Does the project site contain any species of special concern?	t plant or animal that is listed by NYS as	rare, or as a species of	☐ Yes Z No
(A € 200 A 6			
If Yes:			
i. Species and listing:	- Marky		1000
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q. Is the project site or adjoining area currently			☐Yes ☑ No
If yes, give a brief description of how the pro	posed action may affect that use:		
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E.3. Designated Public Resources On or N	57 Telephone (1971) 1 (1971) 1 (1971)		E)
a. Is the project site, or any portion of it, local		rtified pursuant to	☐Yes Z No
Agriculture and Markets Law, Article 25-			
If Yes, provide county plus district name/nur	nber:		
b. Are agricultural lands consisting of highly	productive soils present?		☐Yes Z No
i. If Yes: acreage(s) on project site?	p. do		
ii. Source(s) of soil rating(s):			
c. Does the project site contain all or part of,	or is it substantially contiguous to, a reg	stered National	□Yes ☑ No
Natural Landmark? If Yes:			
	Biological Community	saisal Fastura	
ii. Provide brief description of landmark, inc		ogical Feature	
ii. I tovide blief description of fandmark, in	ridding values benind designation and ap	proximate size/extent.	
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	700		
d. Is the project site located in or does it adjoi	n a state listed Critical Environmental A	rea?	Z Yes No
If Yes:			(0.4) (0.000)
i. CEA name: County & State Park Lands			
ii. Basis for designation: Exceptional or unique		a wown von von en en en en	A CONTRACTOR OF THE CONTRACTOR
iii. Designating agency and date: Agency:We	stchester County, Date:1-31-90		

e. Does the project site contain, or is it substantially contiguous to, a building, archaeological site, or district which is listed on the National or State Register of Historic Places, or that has been determined by the Commissi Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to be eligible for listing on the State Register of Historic Pl If Yes: i. Nature of historic/archaeological resource: Archaeological Site Historic Building or District ii. Name: iii. Brief description of attributes on which listing is based:	
f. Is the project site, or any portion of it, located in or adjacent to an area designated as sensitive for archaeological sites on the NY State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) archaeological site inventory?	Z Yes □No
g. Have additional archaeological or historic site(s) or resources been identified on the project site? If Yes:	✓ Yes □No
 i. Describe possible resource(s): Precontact Native American resources have been found within the overall park, but none di ii. Basis for identification: Phase IA of Ward Pound Ridge Reservation (Hartgen, 2007) 	irectly in project area.
h. Is the project site within fives miles of any officially designated and publicly accessible federal, state, or local scenic or aesthetic resource? If Yes:	Z Yes □No
 i. Identify resource: Not officially designated as a scenic resource, but high point of park offers publicly accessible panoramic ii. Nature of, or basis for, designation (e.g., established highway overlook, state or local park, state historic trail or etc.): County park 	
iii. Distance between project and resource: o miles.	
 i. Is the project site located within a designated river corridor under the Wild, Scenic and Recreational Rivers Program 6 NYCRR 666? If Yes: i. Identify the name of the river and its designation: 	☐ Yes Z No
ii. Is the activity consistent with development restrictions contained in 6NYCRR Part 666?	☐Yes ☐No
F. Additional Information Attach any additional information which may be needed to clarify your project. If you have identified any adverse impacts which could be associated with your proposal, please describe those immeasures which you propose to avoid or minimize them.	npacts plus any
G. Verification I certify that the information provided is true to the best of my knowledge.	
Applicant/Sponsor Name County of Westchester Date October 10, 2024	
Signature Title Assistant Commissioner of Planning	



B.i.i [Coastal or Waterfront Area]	No
B.i.ii [Local Waterfront Revitalization Area]	No
C.2.b. [Special Planning District]	Yes - Digital mapping data are not available for all Special Planning Districts. Refer to EAF Workbook.
C.2.b. [Special Planning District - Name]	NYC Watershed Boundary
E.1.h [DEC Spills or Remediation Site - Potential Contamination History]	Digital mapping data are not available or are incomplete. Refer to EAF Workbook.
E.1.h.i [DEC Spills or Remediation Site - Listed]	Digital mapping data are not available or are incomplete. Refer to EAF Workbook.
E.1.h.i [DEC Spills or Remediation Site - Environmental Site Remediation Database]	Digital mapping data are not available or are incomplete. Refer to EAF Workbook.
E.1.h.iii [Within 2,000' of DEC Remediation Site]	Yes
E.1.h.iii [Within 2,000' of DEC Remediation Site - DEC ID]	V00507
E.2.g [Unique Geologic Features]	No
E.2.h.i [Surface Water Features]	Yes
E.2.h.ii [Surface Water Features]	Yes
E.2.h.iii [Surface Water Features]	Yes - Digital mapping information on local and federal wetlands and waterbodies is known to be incomplete. Refer to EAF Workbook.
E.2.h.iv [Surface Water Features - Wetlands Name]	Federal Waters
E.2.h.v [Impaired Water Bodies]	No
E.2.i. [Floodway]	No
E.2.j. [100 Year Floodplain]	No
E.2.k. [500 Year Floodplain]	No

E.2.I. [Aquifers]	No
E.2.n. [Natural Communities]	Yes
E.2.n.i [Natural Communities - Name]	Acidic Talus Slope Woodland
E.2.n.i [Natural Communities - Acres]	95.05
E.2.o. [Endangered or Threatened Species]	No
E.2.p. [Rare Plants or Animals]	No
E.3.a. [Agricultural District]	No
E.3.c. [National Natural Landmark]	No
E.3.d [Critical Environmental Area]	Yes
E.3.d [Critical Environmental Area - Name]	County & State Park Lands
E.3.d.ii [Critical Environmental Area - Reason]	Exceptional or unique character
E.3.d.iii [Critical Environmental Area - Date and Agency]	Agency:Westchester County, Date:1-31-90
E.3.e. [National or State Register of Historic Places or State Eligible Sites]	Digital mapping data are not available or are incomplete. Refer to EAF Workbook.
E.3.f. [Archeological Sites]	Yes
E.3.i. [Designated River Corridor]	No



Full Environmental Assessment Form Part 2 - Identification of Potential Project Impacts

Agency Use Only [If applicable]
Project: RWPR5 Fire Tower
Date: February 2025

Part 2 is to be completed by the lead agency. Part 2 is designed to help the lead agency inventory all potential resources that could be affected by a proposed project or action. We recognize that the lead agency's reviewer(s) will not necessarily be environmental professionals. So, the questions are designed to walk a reviewer through the assessment process by providing a series of questions that can be answered using the information found in Part 1. To further assist the lead agency in completing Part 2, the form identifies the most relevant questions in Part 1 that will provide the information needed to answer the Part 2 question. When Part 2 is completed, the lead agency will have identified the relevant environmental areas that may be impacted by the proposed activity.

If the lead agency is a state agency and the action is in any Coastal Area, complete the Coastal Assessment Form before proceeding with this assessment.

Tips for completing Part 2:

- Review all of the information provided in Part 1.
- Review any application, maps, supporting materials and the Full EAF Workbook.
- Answer each of the 18 questions in Part 2.
- If you answer "Yes" to a numbered question, please complete all the questions that follow in that section.
- If you answer "No" to a numbered question, move on to the next numbered question.
- Check appropriate column to indicate the anticipated size of the impact.
- Proposed projects that would exceed a numeric threshold contained in a question should result in the reviewing agency checking the box "Moderate to large impact may occur."
- The reviewer is not expected to be an expert in environmental analysis.
- If you are not sure or undecided about the size of an impact, it may help to review the sub-questions for the general
 question and consult the workbook.
- When answering a question consider all components of the proposed activity, that is, the "whole action".
- Consider the possibility for long-term and cumulative impacts as well as direct impacts.
- Answer the question in a reasonable manner considering the scale and context of the project.

1. Impact on Land Proposed action may involve construction on, or physical alteration of, the land surface of the proposed site. (See Part 1. D.1) If "Yes", answer questions a - j. If "No", move on to Section 2.	□no	· Z	YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may involve construction on land where depth to water table is less than 3 feet.	E2d		
b. The proposed action may involve construction on slopes of 15% or greater.	E2f		Z
c. The proposed action may involve construction on land where bedrock is exposed, or generally within 5 feet of existing ground surface.	E2a		Ø
d. The proposed action may involve the excavation and removal of more than 1,000 tons of natural material.	D2a	Ø	
e. The proposed action may involve construction that continues for more than one year or in multiple phases.	Dle	Ø	
f. The proposed action may result in increased erosion, whether from physical disturbance or vegetation removal (including from treatment by herbicides).	D2e, D2q	Ø	
g. The proposed action is, or may be, located within a Coastal Erosion hazard area.	Bli	Ø	
h. Other impacts:			

2. Impact on Geological Features The proposed action may result in the modification or destruction of, or inhib			
access to, any unique or unusual land forms on the site (e.g., cliffs, dunes, minerals, fossils, caves). (See Part 1. E.2.g) If "Yes", answer questions a - c. If "No", move on to Section 3.	NO		YES
ty Tes , answer questions a - c. ty No , move on to Section 3.	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. Identify the specific land form(s) attached:	E2g	0	O
b. The proposed action may affect or is adjacent to a geological feature listed as a registered National Natural Landmark. Specific feature:	E3c	0	0
c. Other impacts:		0	
	2000		
3. Impacts on Surface Water The proposed action may affect one or more wetlands or other surface water bodies (e.g., streams, rivers, ponds or lakes). (See Part 1. D.2, E.2.h) If "Yes", answer questions a - l. If "No", move on to Section 4.	✓NO		YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may create a new water body.	D2b, D1h	0	
b. The proposed action may result in an increase or decrease of over 10% or more than a 10 acre increase or decrease in the surface area of any body of water.	D2b		
c. The proposed action may involve dredging more than 100 cubic yards of material from a wetland or water body.	D2a	П	۵
d. The proposed action may involve construction within or adjoining a freshwater or tidal wetland, or in the bed or banks of any other water body.	E2h		0
 The proposed action may create turbidity in a waterbody, either from upland erosion, runoff or by disturbing bottom sediments. 	D2a, D2h		
f. The proposed action may include construction of one or more intake(s) for withdrawal of water from surface water.	D2c	0	0
g. The proposed action may include construction of one or more outfall(s) for discharge of wastewater to surface water(s).	D2d	0	
h. The proposed action may cause soil erosion, or otherwise create a source of stormwater discharge that may lead to siltation or other degradation of receiving water bodies.	D2e	О	0
 The proposed action may affect the water quality of any water bodies within or downstream of the site of the proposed action. 	E2h		0
 j. The proposed action may involve the application of pesticides or herbicides in or around any water body. 	D2q, E2h	0	0
k. The proposed action may require the construction of new or expansion of existing	Die D2d		-

wastewater treatment facilities.

I. Other imp	pacts:		0	0
The pr may ha (See Pa	et on groundwater oposed action may result in new or additional use of ground water, or ave the potential to introduce contaminants to ground water or an aquife art 1. D.2.a, D.2.c, D.2.d, D.2.p, D.2.q, D.2.t) arr, answer questions a - h. If "No", move on to Section 5.	√ NO) 🗆	YES
		Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
	osed action may require new water supply wells, or create additional demand es from existing water supply wells.	D2c	0	
	opply demand from the proposed action may exceed safe and sustainable ral capacity rate of the local supply or aquifer.	D2c	0	
c. The proposewer ser	osed action may allow or result in residential uses in areas without water and vices.	Dla, D2c		0
d. The propo	osed action may include or require wastewater discharged to groundwater.	D2d, E2l		0
	osed action may result in the construction of water supply wells in locations oundwater is, or is suspected to be, contaminated.	D2c, E1f, E1g, E1h	0	0
	osed action may require the bulk storage of petroleum or chemical products and water or an aquifer.	D2p, E2l	0	0
	osed action may involve the commercial application of pesticides within 100 table drinking water or irrigation sources.	E2h, D2q, E2l, D2c	0	٥
h. Other im	pacts:		П	0
NO. MAC		3½ FZ		
The pro (See Pa	t on Flooding oposed action may result in development on lands subject to flooding. art 1. E.2) ", answer questions a - g. If "No", move on to Section 6.	∠ NO		YES
		Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The propo	sed action may result in development in a designated floodway.	E2i	0	٥
b. The propo	osed action may result in development within a 100 year floodplain.	E2j		П
c. The propo	sed action may result in development within a 500 year floodplain.	E2k	o	D
d. The propo patterns.	osed action may result in, or require, modification of existing drainage	D2b, D2e	О	٥
e. The propo	sed action may change flood water flows that contribute to flooding.	D2b, E2i, E2j, E2k		0
f. If there is a	a dam located on the site of the proposed action, is the dam in need of repair,	Ele	0	0

g. Other impacts:		_	
6. Impacts on Air The proposed action may include a state regulated air emission source. (See Part 1. D.2.f., D,2,h, D.2.g) If "Yes", answer questions a - f. If "No", move on to Section 7.	☑ NO) 🗆	YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
 a. If the proposed action requires federal or state air emission permits, the action may also emit one or more greenhouse gases at or above the following levels: i. More than 1000 tons/year of carbon dioxide (CO₂) ii. More than 3.5 tons/year of nitrous oxide (N₂O) iii. More than 1000 tons/year of carbon equivalent of perfluorocarbons (PFCs) iv. More than .045 tons/year of sulfur hexafluoride (SF₆) v. More than 1000 tons/year of carbon dioxide equivalent of hydrochloroflourocarbons (HFCs) emissions vi. 43 tons/year or more of methane 	D2g D2g D2g D2g D2g D2g	0 0 0	0 0 0
b. The proposed action may generate 10 tons/year or more of any one designated hazardous air pollutant, or 25 tons/year or more of any combination of such hazardous air pollutants.	D2g		
c. The proposed action may require a state air registration, or may produce an emissions rate of total contaminants that may exceed 5 lbs. per hour, or may include a heat source capable of producing more than 10 million BTU's per hour.	D2f, D2g	0	
d. The proposed action may reach 50% of any of the thresholds in "a" through "c", above.	D2g		0
e. The proposed action may result in the combustion or thermal treatment of more than 1 ton of refuse per hour.	D2s	0	0
f. Other impacts:			
7. Impact on Plants and Animals The proposed action may result in a loss of flora or fauna. (See Part 1. E.2. If "Yes", answer questions a - j. If "No", move on to Section 8.	mq.)	□NO	✓ YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may cause reduction in population or loss of individuals of any threatened or endangered species, as listed by New York State or the Federal government, that use the site, or are found on, over, or near the site.	E2o	Ø	
b. The proposed action may result in a reduction or degradation of any habitat used by any rare, threatened or endangered species, as listed by New York State or the federal government.	E2o	Ø	
c. The proposed action may cause reduction in population, or loss of individuals, of any species of special concern or conservation need, as listed by New York State or the Federal government, that use the site, or are found on, over, or near the site.	E2p	Ø	
d. The proposed action may result in a reduction or degradation of any habitat used by any species of special concern and conservation need, as listed by New York State or the Federal government.	E2p	Ø	

e. The proposed action may diminish the capacity of a registered National Natural Landmark to support the biological community it was established to protect.	E3c	Ø	
f. The proposed action may result in the removal of, or ground disturbance in, any portion of a designated significant natural community. Source: Ground disturbance of Acidic Talus Slope Woodland per NY Natural Heritage Program.	E2n	Ø	
g. The proposed action may substantially interfere with nesting/breeding, foraging, or over-wintering habitat for the predominant species that occupy or use the project site.	E2m	Ø	
h. The proposed action requires the conversion of more than 10 acres of forest, grassland or any other regionally or locally important habitat. Habitat type & information source:	Elb	Ø	
i. Proposed action (commercial, industrial or recreational projects, only) involves use of herbicides or pesticides.	D2q	Ø	
j. Other impacts:			
8. Impact on Agricultural Resources The proposed action may impact agricultural resources. (See Part 1. E.3.a. a If "Yes", answer questions a - h. If "No", move on to Section 9.	nd b.)	NO	YES
	Relevant	No, or	Moderate
	Part I Question(s)	small impact may occur	to large impact may occur
The proposed action may impact soil classified within soil group 1 through 4 of the NYS Land Classification System.	and the second second	small impact	to large impact may
	Question(s)	small impact may occur	to large impact may occur
NYS Land Classification System. b. The proposed action may sever, cross or otherwise limit access to agricultural land	Question(s) E2c, E3b	smali impact may occur	to large impact may occur
b. The proposed action may sever, cross or otherwise limit access to agricultural land (includes cropland, hayfields, pasture, vineyard, orchard, etc). c. The proposed action may result in the excavation or compaction of the soil profile of	Question(s) E2c, E3b E1a, Elb	smali impact may occur	to large impact may occur
 b. The proposed action may sever, cross or otherwise limit access to agricultural land (includes cropland, hayfields, pasture, vineyard, orchard, etc). c. The proposed action may result in the excavation or compaction of the soil profile of active agricultural land. d. The proposed action may irreversibly convert agricultural land to non-agricultural uses, either more than 2.5 acres if located in an Agricultural District, or more than 10 	Question(s) E2c, E3b E1a, Elb E3b	smali impact may occur	to large impact may occur
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9. Impact on Aesthetic Resources The land use of the proposed action are obviously different from, or are in sharp contrast to, current land use patterns between the proposed project and a scenic or aesthetic resource. (Part 1. E.1.a, E.1.b, E.3.h.) If "Yes", answer questions a - g. If "No", go to Section 10.	l □N	0 7]YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
 a. Proposed action may be visible from any officially designated federal, state, or local scenic or aesthetic resource. 	E3h	Z	
 b. The proposed action may result in the obstruction, elimination or significant screening of one or more officially designated scenic views. 	E3h, C2b	Z	
 c. The proposed action may be visible from publicly accessible vantage points: i. Seasonally (e.g., screened by summer foliage, but visible during other seasons) ii. Year round 	E3h	Z	
 d. The situation or activity in which viewers are engaged while viewing the proposed action is: i. Routine travel by residents, including travel to and from work ii. Recreational or tourism based activities 	E3h E2q, E1c		
e. The proposed action may cause a diminishment of the public enjoyment and appreciation of the designated aesthetic resource.	E3h	Ø	
f. There are similar projects visible within the following distance of the proposed project: 0-1/2 mile ½ -3 mile 3-5 mile 5+ mile	Dla, Ela, Dlf, Dlg	⊠.	
g. Other impacts:			
10. Impact on Historic and Archeological Resources The proposed action may occur in or adjacent to a historic or archaeological resource. (Part 1. E.3.e, f. and g.) If "Yes", answer questions a - e. If "No", go to Section 11.	□No) [YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may occur wholly or partially within, or substantially contiguous to, any buildings, archaeological site or district which is listed on or has been nominated by the NYS Board of Historic Preservation for inclusion on the State or National Register of Historic Places.	E3e	Ø	
b. The proposed action may occur wholly or partially within, or substantially contiguous to, an area designated as sensitive for archaeological sites on the NY State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) archaeological site inventory.	E3f	V	
c. The proposed action may occur wholly or partially within, or substantially contiguous to, an archaeological site not included on the NY SHPO inventory. Source:	E3g	Ø	

d. Other impacts:			
If any of the above (a-d) are answered "Moderate to large impact may e. occur", continue with the following questions to help support conclusions in Part 3:			
 The proposed action may result in the destruction or alteration of all or part of the site or property. 	E3e, E3g, E3f		
 The proposed action may result in the alteration of the property's setting or integrity. 	E3e, E3f, E3g, E1a, E1b		
iii. The proposed action may result in the introduction of visual elements which are out of character with the site or property, or may alter its setting.	E3e, E3f, E3g, E3h, C2, C3		
11. Impact on Open Space and Recreation The proposed action may result in a loss of recreational opportunities or a reduction of an open space resource as designated in any adopted municipal open space plan. (See Part 1. C.2.c, E.1.c., E.2.q.) If "Yes", answer questions a - e. If "No", go to Section 12.	✓NO) []YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may result in an impairment of natural functions, or "ecosystem services", provided by an undeveloped area, including but not limited to stormwater storage, nutrient cycling, wildlife habitat.	D2e, E1b E2h, E2m, E2o, E2n, E2p	0	0
b. The proposed action may result in the loss of a current or future recreational resource.	C2a, E1c, C2c, E2q	0	0
c. The proposed action may eliminate open space or recreational resource in an area with few such resources.	C2a, C2c E1c, E2q		
d. The proposed action may result in loss of an area now used informally by the community as an open space resource.	C2c, E1c	0	а
e. Other impacts:			
12. Impact on Critical Environmental Areas			
The proposed action may be located within or adjacent to a critical environmental area (CEA). (See Part 1. E.3.d) If "Yes", answer questions a - c. If "No", go to Section 13.	∐ NC) 🛂	YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
The proposed action may result in a reduction in the quantity of the resource or characteristic which was the basis for designation of the CEA.	E3d	Ø	
b. The proposed action may result in a reduction in the quality of the resource or characteristic which was the basis for designation of the CEA.	E3d	Ø	
c. Other impacts:			

13. Impact on Transportation The proposed action may result in a change to existing transportation systems (See Part 1. D.2.j) If "Yes", answer questions a - f. If "No", go to Section 14.	s. 🚺 N	o 🗌	YES
If Tes , unswer questions a - j. If No , go to Section 14.	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. Projected traffic increase may exceed capacity of existing road network.	D2j	0	0
b. The proposed action may result in the construction of paved parking area for 500 or more vehicles.	D2j	0	
c. The proposed action will degrade existing transit access.	D2j		0
d. The proposed action will degrade existing pedestrian or bicycle accommodations.	D2j	_	а
e. The proposed action may alter the present pattern of movement of people or goods.	D2j		0
f. Other impacts:		а	0
14. Impact on Energy The proposed action may cause an increase in the use of any form of energy. (See Part 1. D.2.k) If "Yes", answer questions a - e. If "No", go to Section 15.	√ N	0 🗆	YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action will require a new, or an upgrade to an existing, substation.	D2k	0	0
b. The proposed action will require the creation or extension of an energy transmission or supply system to serve more than 50 single or two-family residences or to serve a commercial or industrial use.	D1f, D1q, D2k		
c. The proposed action may utilize more than 2,500 MWhrs per year of electricity.	D2k		0
d. The proposed action may involve heating and/or cooling of more than 100,000 square feet of building area when completed.	Dlg	0	0
e. Other Impacts:			

15. Impact on Noise, Odor, and Light The proposed action may result in an increase in noise, odors, or outdoor light (See Part 1. D.2.m., n., and o.) If "Yes", answer questions a - f. If "No", go to Section 16.	ting. 🔽 NO		YES
	Relevant	No, or	Moderate
	Part I Question(s)	small impact may occur	to large impact may occur
The proposed action may produce sound above noise levels established by local regulation.	D2m	0	0
 b. The proposed action may result in blasting within 1,500 feet of any residence, hospital, school, licensed day care center, or nursing home. 	D2m, E1d	0	
c. The proposed action may result in routine odors for more than one hour per day.	D2o		

d. The proposed action may result in light shining onto adjoining properties.	D2n		٥
e. The proposed action may result in lighting creating sky-glow brighter than existing area conditions.	D2n, E1a		
f. Other impacts:		0	

16. Impact on Human Health The proposed action may have an impact on human health from exposure to new or existing sources of contaminants. (See Part 1.D.2.q., E.1. d. f. g. and h.) If "Yes", answer questions a - m. If "No", go to Section 17. YES				
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No,or small impact may eccur	Moderate to large impact may occur	
a. The proposed action is located within 1500 feet of a school, hospital, licensed day care center, group home, nursing home or retirement community.	Eld	0	0	
b. The site of the proposed action is currently undergoing remediation.	Elg, Elh	0	0	
c. There is a completed emergency spill remediation, or a completed environmental site remediation on, or adjacent to, the site of the proposed action.	Elg, Elh	0	0	
d. The site of the action is subject to an institutional control limiting the use of the property (e.g., easement or deed restriction).	Elg, Elh		0	
e. The proposed action may affect institutional control measures that were put in place to ensure that the site remains protective of the environment and human health.	Elg, Elh	0		
f. The proposed action has adequate control measures in place to ensure that future generation, treatment and/or disposal of hazardous wastes will be protective of the environment and human health.	D2t			
 g. The proposed action involves construction or modification of a solid waste management facility. 	D2q, E1f		0	
h. The proposed action may result in the unearthing of solid or hazardous waste.	D2q, E1f	0		
i. The proposed action may result in an increase in the rate of disposal, or processing, of solid waste.	D2r, D2s	0	0	
j. The proposed action may result in excavation or other disturbance within 2000 feet of a site used for the disposal of solid or hazardous waste.	Elf, Elg Elh		0	
k. The proposed action may result in the migration of explosive gases from a landfill site to adjacent off site structures.	Elf, Elg	0	0	
l. The proposed action may result in the release of contaminated leachate from the project site.	D2s, E1f, D2r	0	0	
m. Other impacts:				

17. Consistency with Community Plans	_		
The proposed action is not consistent with adopted land use plans. (See Part 1. C.1, C.2. and C.3.)	✓NO YES		
If "Yes", answer questions a - h. If "No", go to Section 18.			
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action's land use components may be different from, or in sharp contrast to, current surrounding land use pattern(s).	C2, C3, D1a E1a, E1b		
b. The proposed action will cause the permanent population of the city, town or village in which the project is located to grow by more than 5%.	C2		
c. The proposed action is inconsistent with local land use plans or zoning regulations.	C2, C2, C3		
d. The proposed action is inconsistent with any County plans, or other regional land use plans.	C2, C2		0
e. The proposed action may cause a change in the density of development that is not supported by existing infrastructure or is distant from existing infrastructure.	C3, D1c, D1d, D1f, D1d, Elb	0	0
f. The proposed action is located in an area characterized by low density development that will require new or expanded public infrastructure.	C4, D2c, D2d D2j	D	
g. The proposed action may induce secondary development impacts (e.g., residential or commercial development not included in the proposed action)	C2a	0	
h. Other:		a	0
19 Consistency with Community Character	L		
18. Consistency with Community Character The proposed project is inconsistent with the existing community character. (See Part 1. C.2, C.3, D.2, E.3)	√ NO)	/ES
The proposed project is inconsistent with the existing community character.			
The proposed project is inconsistent with the existing community character. (See Part 1. C.2, C.3, D.2, E.3)	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
The proposed project is inconsistent with the existing community character. (See Part 1. C.2, C.3, D.2, E.3)	Relevant Part I Question(s) E3e, E3f, E3g	No, or small impact	Moderate to large impact may
The proposed project is inconsistent with the existing community character. (See Part 1. C.2, C.3, D.2, E.3) If "Yes", answer questions a - g. If "No", proceed to Part 3. a. The proposed action may replace or eliminate existing facilities, structures, or areas	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
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The proposed project is inconsistent with the existing community character. (See Part 1. C.2, C.3, D.2, E.3) If "Yes", answer questions a - g. If "No", proceed to Part 3. a. The proposed action may replace or eliminate existing facilities, structures, or areas of historic importance to the community. b. The proposed action may create a demand for additional community services (e.g. schools, police and fire) c. The proposed action may displace affordable or low-income housing in an area where	Relevant Part I Question(s) E3e, E3f, E3g C4 C2, C3, D1f	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
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Project : RWPR5 Fire Tower

Date : February 2025

Full Environmental Assessment Form Part 3 - Evaluation of the Magnitude and Importance of Project Impacts and Determination of Significance

Part 3 provides the reasons in support of the determination of significance. The lead agency must complete Part 3 for every question in Part 2 where the impact has been identified as potentially moderate to large or where there is a need to explain why a particular element of the proposed action will not, or may, result in a significant adverse environmental impact.

Based on the analysis in Part 3, the lead agency must decide whether to require an environmental impact statement to further assess the proposed action or whether available information is sufficient for the lead agency to conclude that the proposed action will not have a significant adverse environmental impact. By completing the certification on the next page, the lead agency can complete its determination of significance.

Reasons Supporting This Determination:

To complete this section:

- Identify the impact based on the Part 2 responses and describe its magnitude. Magnitude considers factors such as severity, size or extent of an impact.
- Assess the importance of the impact. Importance relates to the geographic scope, duration, probability of the impact
 occurring, number of people affected by the impact and any additional environmental consequences if the impact were to
 occur.
- The assessment should take into consideration any design element or project changes.
- Repeat this process for each Part 2 question where the impact has been identified as potentially moderate to large or where
 there is a need to explain why a particular element of the proposed action will not, or may, result in a significant adverse
 environmental impact.
- Provide the reason(s) why the impact may, or will not, result in a significant adverse environmental impact
- For Conditional Negative Declarations identify the specific condition(s) imposed that will modify the proposed action so that no significant adverse environmental impacts will result.
- · Attach additional sheets, as needed.

The proposed fire tower will have minimal environmental impacts since it will be placed in the same location as the original fire tower, which remains an open area with scenic views and is accessible via an old access drive that now serves as a trail for park visitors to hike to the top. Exposed bedrock is found throughout the project site. Rock impacts will be limited to the anchoring of the new tower, which will consist of four concrete foundation piers, each being only 18 inches square, that will be secured to the bedrock with rods.

The only other disturbance will be to the old access drive, much of which will be on some degree of slope, which will require some improvements to minimize impacts associated with the use of construction vehicles during installation. The improvements will include the removal of ditches and laying of fresh gravel to prevent erosion and control stormwater runoff. Some sections may need slight widening and vegetation to be pruned back to provide adequate clearance for construction equipment, but this will be limited to the immediate area of the existing access drive and there will be no significant impact to the acidic talus slope woodlands.

At 110 feet tall on the highest point of the park, the top of the tower is likely to be seen from other locations. However, it's visibility will be diminished by distance, since the tower site is located 2,000 feet or more from the park boundaries, and limited by the surrounding mature forest. The tower will taper to a 9-foot square observation deck with a hip roof, reminiscent of old fire towers. Galvanized steel will weather to a dull gray finish. Lighting of the structure is not required by FAA; therefore, the tower will not be lit and there will be no nighttime impacts. A 155-foot cellular tower is located approximately 1.5 miles to the southeast.

Archaeological resources at the park will not be impacted as none of the known sites are within or adjacent to the project areas and the project will only affect areas that have previously been disturbed.

The project will enhance the recreational component of the park's CEA designation.

	Determinati	on of Significance -	Type 1 and l	Unlisted Actions	
SEQR Status:	Type 1	✓ Unlisted	-		
Identify portions of EA	AF completed for this	Project: Part 1	Part 2	✓ Part 3	

Upon review of the information recorded on this EAF, as noted, plus this additional support information
and considering both the magnitude and importance of each identified potential impact, it is the conclusion of the County of Westchester, acting by and through its Board of Legislators, as lead agency that:
A. This project will result in no significant adverse impacts on the environment, and, therefore, an environmental impact statement need not be prepared. Accordingly, this negative declaration is issued.
B. Although this project could have a significant adverse impact on the environment, that impact will be avoided or substantially mitigated because of the following conditions which will be required by the lead agency:
There will, therefore, be no significant adverse impacts from the project as conditioned, and, therefore, this conditioned negative declaration is issued. A conditioned negative declaration may be used only for UNLISTED actions (see 6 NYCRR 617.d).
C. This Project may result in one or more significant adverse impacts on the environment, and an environmental impact statement must be prepared to further assess the impact(s) and possible mitigation and to explore alternatives to avoid or reduce those impacts. Accordingly, this positive declaration is issued.
Name of Action: Ward Pound Ridge Reservation Fire Tower
Name of Lead Agency: County of Westchester
Name of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency: Malika Vanderberg
Title of Responsible Officer: Clerk and Chief Administrative Officer to the Board of Legislators
Signature of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency: Date:
Signature of Preparer (if different from Responsible Officer) Date: 2/4/2025
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For Type 1 Actions and Conditioned Negative Declarations, a copy of this Notice is sent to:
Chief Executive Officer of the political subdivision in which the action will be principally located (e.g., Town / City / Village of) Other involved agencies (if any) Applicant (if any) Environmental Notice Bulletin: http://www.dec.ny.gov/enb/enb.html