STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT
DRAFT GENERIC ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (DGEIS)
For the Town of Pawling Comprehensive Plan Update (CPU)
And Zoning Amendments

Draft: August 2, 2011

Appendix 3

SEQRA Documents

RESOLUTION 2011101
TOWN OF PAWLING

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE
DRAFT GENERICENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (DGEIS) Completeness; SETTING A COMBINED PUBLIC HEARING FOR: THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE (CPU), ZONING AMENDMENTS AND DGEIS

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Pawling is considering the Draft Comprehensive Plan Update (CPU) based upon previous studies, reports and plans prepared for the Town of Pawling; and

WHEREAS, by identifying the vision, goals and strategies by which the Town intends to achieve sustainable development; high quality of life; and to direct actions and resources in response to the needs of its residents, businesses and visitors; this CPU will act as a design for the future of Pawling; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board is also considering Draft zoning amendments to the uses, bulk and supplemental requirements related to the HA (Hamlet), HB (Highway Business) and I (Industry) zoning districts to include more uses; emphasized mixed uses; and provide more flexible bulk requirements; and

WHEREAS, the zoning amendments, attached to the CPU as Appendix C, are proposed for adoption with the adoption of the CPU; and

WHEREAS, on July 13, 2011, pursuant to 6 NYCRR Part 617, New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) regulations, the Town Board initiated the SEQRA review of the proposed action by taking the following steps:

- classifying the Proposed Action as a Type 1 Action;
- declaring its status as the Lead Agency in the SEQRA review as the only Involved Agency;
- determining that the proposed action would have a significant impact on the environment and that a DGEIS would be prepared (Positive Declaration); and
- circulating the SEQRA Positive Declaration; the CPU and appendices; the proposed zoning amendments to interested agencies, including the Environmental Notices Bulletin, and informing them of the July 27th hearing and that there would be a second combined hearing; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board referred the CPU and proposed zoning to the Town of Pawling Planning Board and the Dutchess County Planning Department pursuant to the applicable state and local laws;

WHEREAS, the Town Board held the first of two public hearings on the CPU on July 27, 2011 and informed the public of the SEQRA review of the CPU and zoning amendments and future hearing and public comment opportunities related to the SEQRA process;

WHEREAS, a Draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement (DGEIS) has been prepared to address adoption of the CPU and the proposed zoning amendments together as the "Proposed Action" pursuant to the SEQRA regulations;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Pawling Town Board hereby determines the DGEIS to be complete and adequate for public review pursuant to SEQRA section 617.9; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board will hold a combined public hearing on: the Comprehensive Plan Update (CPU); the proposed zoning amendments; and the DGEIS on Wednesday, September 7, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the Pawling Town Hall to hear comments from the public and all interested agencies; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy, or an electronic version as appropriate, of the SEQRA Notice of Completion of Draft DGEIS, the DGEIS with Draft CPU and the zoning amendments as appendices, will be circulated to the interested agencies, including the Environmental Notices Bulletin (ENB), in the list attached to the Notice; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that notice of said public hearing: shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the town for two (2) consecutive weeks before the hearing; the first publication being 14 days in advance of the public hearing; and will be duly posted at town hall; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the comment period for written comments on the DGEIS, the CPU and proposed zoning shall be extended to Wednesday, September 14, 2011 at 4 PM, which is more than 30 days from this determination of completion of the DGEIS;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that printed copies of the DGEIS will be available at town hall and the library; and electronic versions of the DGEIS, CPU and proposed zoning will be available on the town's website.

MOTION: Supervisor Kelly
SECOND: Councilman Upham

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Johnson – "AYE Councilman Upham – "AYE"

Councilman Mayer – "ABSENT" Councilman Montemarano – "AYE"

Supervisor Kelly – "AYE"

Dated this 10th day of August, 2011.

Catherine Giordano
Town Clerk
Town of Pawling

The ENB SEQRA Notice Publication Form - *Please check all that apply*

Reset Form

Deadline: Notices must be received by **6 p.m. Wednesday** to appear in the following Wednesday's ENB

____ Negative Declaration - Type I

____ Conditioned Negative Declaration

____ Draft Negative Declaration

✔ Positive Declaration
____ with Public Scoping Session

____ Draft EIS
____ with Public Hearing
____ Generic
____ Supplemental

_____ Final EIS
____ Generic
____ Supplemental

DEC Region # 3 County: Dutchess Lead Agency: Town of Pawling Planning Board

Project Title: Adoption of Town of Pawling Comprehensive Plan Update (CPU) and Zoning Amendments

Brief Project Description: The action involves . . .

1. Adoption of the Comprehensive Plan Update (CPU) and proposed zoning amendments to the use and bulk tables for the HA, HB and I zoning districts. Please refer to the Draft CPU and Appendix C containing the proposed zoning amendments. No land development is proposed in this action.
2. Changes to the uses and bulk requirements in the HA (Hamlet - 1/2 acre); HB (Highway Business - 1 acre); and I (Industry - 1 acre) zoning districts. No changes to density are proposed. All Zoning District boundaries will remain as they are currently configured.
3. The CPU objectives include review of land development regulations and open space inventory with strategies to identify to identify gaps; need for links in; and more effective protection of natural, agricultural and open space resources and community character.
4. The Town's zoning and land use regulations will also be evaluated to balance the complement of residential and non-residential uses permitted; and flexibility and usefulness for encouraging desired uses, needed housing and better design.
5. The CPU objectives include a historic inventory; community mapping; and examination of local laws regarding effective recognition and protection of these resources.
6. The CPU objectives include evaluation of CEA and ESA (Environmentally Significant Areas) regulation and monitoring; and making linkages with other protected resources.

Project Location (include street address/municipality): Entirety of the Town of Pawling, located in the southeast corner of Dutchess County

Contact Person: David Kelly, Supervisor, Town of Pawling

Address: Town Hall, 160 Charles Colman Boulevard City: Pawling State: NY Zip: 12564

Phone: (845) 855-4464 Fax: (845) 855-4463 E-mail: dpkelly@pawling.org

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For Draft Negative Declaration / Draft EIS: Public Comment Period ends: _____ / _____ / _____

For Public Hearing or Scoping Session: Date: ____ / ____ / _____ Time: _____:_____ am/pm

Location: _____

A hard copy of the DEIS/FEIS is available at the following locations:
Town Hall, 160 Charles Colman Boulevard, Pawling, NY 12564

The online version of the DEIS/FEIS is available at the following publically accessible web site:
http://www.pawling.org

For Conditioned Negative Declaration: In summary, conditions include:

Resolution 2011094
RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF PAWLING TOWN BOARD
REGARDING COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE (CPU) AND ZONING AMENDMENTS
INITIATION OF SEQRA, REFERRALS AND
CPU PUBLIC HEARING

Date: July 13, 2011

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Pawling is considering the Draft Comprehensive Plan Update (CPU) based upon previous studies, reports and plans prepared for the Town of Pawling; and

WHEREAS, by identifying the vision, goals and strategies by which the Town intends to achieve sustainable development; high quality of life; and to direct actions and resources in response to the needs of its residents, businesses and visitors; this CPU will act as a design for the future of Pawling; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board is also considering Draft zoning amendments to the uses, bulk and supplemental requirements related to the HA (Hamlet), HB (Highway Business) and I (Industry) zoning districts to include more uses; emphasized mixed uses; and provide more flexible bulk requirements; and

WHEREAS, the zoning amendments, attached to the CPU as Appendix C, are proposed for adoption with the adoption of the CPU; and

WHEREAS, a Full Environmental Assessment Form (Full EAF) has been prepared to address adoption of the CPU and the proposed zoning amendments together as the "Proposed Action" pursuant to 6 NYCRR Part 617, New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) regulations;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Pawling Town Board hereby classifies the Proposed Action as a Type 1 Action, pursuant to SEQRA section 617.4 and 617.6; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby declares that it will be the Lead Agency in this SEQRA review as it is the only identified Involved Agency and, therefore, a Coordinated Review under SEQRA is not necessary pursuant to SEQRA section 617.4; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board, as Lead Agency, hereby determines that the proposed action may have a significant impact on the environment and that a Draft Generic Environment Impact Statement (DGEIS) will be prepared pursuant to SEQRA sections 617.9 and 617.10;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board relies on the supporting reasons set forth in the SEQRA Positive Declaration Notice attached hereto; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy, or an electronic version as appropriate, of the SEQRA Positive Declaration Notice, the Draft CPU and the zoning amendments, contained in CPU Appendix C, will be circulated to the interested agencies in the list attached to the Notice; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board will hold a public hearing on the Comprehensive Plan Update (CPU) on Wednesday, July 27, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the Pawling Town Hall to hear all interested parties on the proposed CPU; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that notice of said public hearing: shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the town at least 10 calendar days before the hearing; and will be duly posted at town hall; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that printed copies of the CPU and proposed zoning will be available at town hall and the library; and electronic versions of the CPU and proposed zoning will be available on the town's website; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the CPU and proposed zoning shall be referred to the Town of Pawling Planning Board in accordance with the NY Town Law section 272-a and the Code of the Town of Pawling Chapter 215, Article VIII, Amendments; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the CPU and proposed zoning shall be referred to the Dutchess County Planning Board in accordance with the NY Town Law section 272-a; Pawling Zoning Article VIII; and General Municipal Law section 239-m.

The vote was:

Supervisor David P. Kelly	"AYE"
Councilman Mike Mayer	"AYE"
Councilman William Johnson	"AYE"
Councilman Paul Upham	"AYE"
Councilman Michael Montemarano	"AYE"

Dated this 13th day of July 2011

Catherine Giordano

Catherine Giordano
Town Clerk
Town of Pawling

14-12-8 (3/99)-9c

SEQR

State Environmental Quality Review
POSITIVE DECLARATION
Notice of Intent to Prepare a Draft EIS
Determination of Significance

Project Number **Date** July 14, 2011

This notice is issued pursuant to Part 617 of the implementing regulations pertaining to Article 8 (State Environmental Quality Review Act) of the Environmental Conservation Law.

The Town of Pawling Town Board as lead agency, has determined that the proposed action described below may have a significant impact on the environment and that a Draft Environmental Impact Statement will be prepared.

Name of Action:

Adoption of Town of Pawling Comprehensive Plan Update (CPU) and Zoning Amendments

SEQR Status: Type 1 ☑
Unlisted ☐

Scoping: No ☑ Yes ☐ If yes, indicate how scoping will be conducted:

Description of Action:

The proposed action involves:
1. Adoption of the Comprehensive Plan Update (CPU) and proposed zoning amendments to the use and bulk tables for the HA, HB and I zoning districts. Please refer to the Draft CPU and Appendix C containing the proposed zoning amendments. No land development is proposed in this action.
2. Changes to the uses and bulk requirements in the HA (Hamlet - 1/2 acre); HB (Highway Business - 1 acre); and I (Industry - 1 acre) zoning districts. No changes to density are proposed. All Zoning District boundaries will remain as they are currently configured.
3. The CPU objectives include review of land development regulations and open space inventory with strategies to identify to identify gaps; need for links in; and more effective protection of natural, agricultural and open space resources and community character.
4. The Town's zoning and land use regulations will also be evaluated to balance the complement of residential and non-residential uses permitted; and flexibility and usefulness for encouraging desired uses, needed housing and better design.
5. The CPU objectives include a historic inventory; community mapping; and examination of local laws regarding effective recognition and protection of these resources.
6. The CPU objectives include evaluation of CEA and ESA (Environmentally Significant Areas) regulation and monitoring; and making linkages with other protected resources.

Location: (Include street address and the name of the municipality/county. A location map of appropriate scale is also recommended.)

Entirety of the Town of Pawling, located in the southeast corner of Dutchess County New York.

Reasons Supporting This Determination:

1. The proposed CPU objectives address balancing the complement of residential and non-residential uses in the community to improve the Town's economic diversity and create needed employment while preserving natural resources and community character.

2. The proposed zoning amendments to the use and bulk tables for the HA, HB and I zoning districts will provide for better, more flexible site design. Please refer to the Draft CPU and Appendix C containing the proposed zoning amendments. No land development is proposed in this action. These zoning districts are located in core areas of the town and the amendments may have an effect on community character.

3. Changes to use and bulk in HA (1/2 acre); HB (1 acre); and I (1 acre) zoning districts. No changes to density are proposed. All Zoning District boundaries will remain as they are currently configured. These zoning districts are located in core areas of the town and the amendments may have an effect on community character.

4. The implementation of the CPU will involve a review of land development regulations and open space inventory with strategies to identify to identify gaps; need for links in; and more effective protection of natural, agricultural and open space resources and community character, which may have beneficial effects. Improved linkage of these resources may increase use of agricultural and open space resources.

5. The CPU recommends future review of zoning and land use regulations to evaluate the balance of residential and non-residential uses permitted; and flexibility and usefulness for encouraging desired uses, needed housing and better design. This may result in recommendations for future zoning amendments including the rezoning of land, which may affect community character and intensity of uses on site proposed for rezoning.

6. The CPU objectives include a historic inventory; community mapping; and examination of local laws regarding effective recognition and protection of these resources. These may result in recommendations for improvements which would involve future construction and increased community accessibility.

7. The proposed evaluation of CEA and ESA (Environmentally Significant Areas) regulation and monitoring and possible linkages with other protected resources may beneficially affect the environmental quality of these resources.

For Further Information:

Contact Person: David Kelly, Supervisor, Town of Pawling

Address: Town Hall, 160 Charles Colman Boulevard, Pawling, NY 12564

Telephone Number: Supervisor's Office (845) 855-4464

A copy of this notice must be sent to:

Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, New York 12233-1750

Chief Executive Officer, Town/City/Village of - See attached list

Any person requesting a copy

All Involved agencies

Applicant (If any)

Environmental Notice Bulletin, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-1750

TOWN OF PAWLING TOWN BOARD CIRCULATION LIST - July 14, 2011
REGARDING COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE (CPU) AND ZONING AMENDMENTS
INITIATION OF SEQRA AND REFERRALS

Involved/Lead Agency
Town of Pawling Town Board

Interested Agencies
Town of Pawling Planning Board (Referral)
Dutchess County Planning Board (Referral)

Community Resources and Service Center
Holmes Whaley Lake Civic Association
Hurd's Corners Road Civic Association
Oblong Land Conservancy
Oblong Trail Association
Pawling Chamber of Commerce
Quaker Hill Civic Association
Dutchess County Soil and Water

Village of Pawling
Town of Dover Town Supervisor
Town of Beekman Town Supervisor
Town of East Fishkill Town Supervisor
Town of Kent Town Supervisor
Town of Patterson Town Supervisor

New York City Department of Environmental Protection
NYS Agriculture and Markets

617.20
Appendix A
State Environmental Quality Review
FULL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FORM

Purpose: The full EAF is designed to help applicants and agencies determine, in an orderly manner, whether a project or action may be significant. The question of whether an action may be significant is not always easy to answer. Frequently, there are aspects of a project that are subjective or unmeasurable. It is also understood that those who determine significance may have little or no formal knowledge of the environment or may not be technically expert in environmental analysis. In addition, many who have knowledge in one particular area may not be aware of the broader concerns affecting the question of significance.

The full EAF is intended to provide a method whereby applicants and agencies can be assured that the determination process has been orderly, comprehensive in nature, yet flexible enough to allow introduction of information to fit a project or action.

Full EAF Components: The full EAF is comprised of three parts:

Part 1: Provides objective data and information about a given project and its site. By identifying basic project data, it assists a reviewer in the analysis that takes place in Parts 2 and 3.

Part 2: Focuses on identifying the range of possible impacts that may occur from a project or action. It provides guidance as to whether an impact is likely to be considered small to moderate or whether it is a potentially-large impact. The form also identifies whether an impact can be mitigated or reduced.

Part 3: If any impact in Part 2 is identified as potentially-large, then Part 3 is used to evaluate whether or not the impact is actually important.

THIS AREA FOR LEAD AGENCY USE ONLY

DETERMINATION OF SIGNIFICANCE -- Type 1 and Unlisted Actions

Identify the Portions of EAF completed for this project: ☑ Part 1 ☑ Part 2 ☐ Part 3

Upon review of the information recorded on this EAF (Parts 1 and 2 and 3 if appropriate), and any other supporting information, and considering both the magnitude and importance of each impact, it is reasonably determined by the lead agency that:

☐ A. The project will not result in any large and important impact(s) and, therefore, is one which **will not** have a significant impact on the environment, therefore **a negative declaration will be prepared.**

☐ B. Although the project could have a significant effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect for this Unlisted Action because the mitigation measures described in PART 3 have been required, therefore **a CONDITIONED negative declaration will be prepared.***

☒ C. The project may result in one or more large and important impacts that may have a significant impact on the environment, therefore **a positive declaration will be prepared**.

*A Conditioned Negative Declaration is only valid for Unlisted Actions

Name of Action

Name of Lead Agency

Print or Type Name of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency

Title of Responsible Officer

Signature of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency

Signature of Preparer (If different from responsible officer)

website

Date

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PART 1--PROJECT INFORMATION
Prepared by Project Sponsor

NOTICE: This document is designed to assist in determining whether the action proposed may have a significant effect on the environment. Please complete the entire form, Parts A through E. Answers to these questions will be considered as part of the application for approval and may be subject to further verification and public review. Provide any additional information you believe will be needed to complete Parts 2 and 3.

It is expected that completion of the full EAF will be dependent on information currently available and will not involve new studies, research or investigation. If information requiring such additional work is unavailable, so indicate and specify each instance.

Name of Action Adoption of Town of Pawling Comprehensive Plan Update (CPU) and Zoning Amendments

Location of Action (include Street Address, Municipality and County)

Entirety of the Town of Pawling, located in the southeast corner of Dutchess County New York.

Name of Applicant/Sponsor Town of Pawling Town Board

Address Town Hall, 160 Charles Colman Boulevard

City / PO Pawling State NY Zip Code 12564

Business Telephone Supervisor's Office (845) 855-4464

Name of Owner (if different) N/A

Address

City / PO State Zip Code

Business Telephone

Description of Action:

Adoption of Comprehensive Plan Update (CPU) and proposed zoning amendments to the use and bulk tables for the HA, HB and I zoning districts. Please refer to the Draft CPU and Appendix C containing the proposed zoning amendments. No land development is proposed in this action.

Part 1. A. is completed below. Site characteristics are generally described and approximate estimates of area, proportion, etc., are provided where appropriate.

Part B is not completed, except for question B.25, as no construction or land development is proposed in this action.

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Please Complete Each Question--Indicate N.A. if not applicable

A. SITE DESCRIPTION

Physical setting of overall project, both developed and undeveloped areas.

1. Present Land Use: ☐ Urban ☑ Industrial ☑ Commercial ☑ Residential (suburban) ☑ Rural (non-farm)
   ☑ Forest ☑ Agriculture ☐ Other _____

2. Total acreage of project area: 26,969.6 acres.

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE	PRESENTLY	AFTER COMPLETION
Meadow or Brushland (Non-agricultural)	_____ acres	_____ acres
Forested	_____ acres	_____ acres
Agricultural (Includes orchards, cropland, pasture, etc.)	_____ acres	_____ acres
Wetland (Freshwater or tidal as per Articles 24,25 of ECL)	_____ acres	_____ acres
Water Surface Area	_____ acres	_____ acres
Unvegetated (Rock, earth or fill)	_____ acres	_____ acres
Roads, buildings and other paved surfaces	_____ acres	_____ acres
Other (Indicate type) No land development is proposed in this action.	_____ acres	_____ acres

3. What is predominant soil type(s) on project site? Silty loams and muck soils generally
   a. Soil drainage: ☑ Well drained 40 % of site ☑ Moderately well drained 45 % of site.
   ☑ Poorly drained 15 % of site
   b. If any agricultural land is involved, how many acres of soil are classified within soil group 1 through 4 of the NYS Land Classification System? Varies acres (see 1 NYCRR 370).

4. Are there bedrock outcroppings on project site? ■ Yes ☐ No
   a. What is depth to bedrock Varies (in feet)

5. Approximate percentage of proposed project site with slopes:
   ☑ 0-10% 15 % ☑ 10- 15% 35 % ☑ 15% or greater 50 %

6. Is project substantially contiguous to, or contain a building, site, or district, listed on the State or National Registers of Historic Places? ■ Yes ☐ No

7. Is project substantially contiguous to a site listed on the Register of National Natural Landmarks? ☐ Yes ■ No

8. What is the depth of the water table? Varies (in feet)

9. Is site located over a primary, principal, or sole source aquifer? ■ Yes ☐ No

10. Do hunting, fishing or shell fishing opportunities presently exist in the project area? ■ Yes ☐ No

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11. Does project site contain any species of plant or animal life that is identified as threatened or endangered? ☐ Yes ☐ No

According to:

Unknown; No land development is proposed in this action.

Identify each species:

12. Are there any unique or unusual land forms on the project site? (i.e., cliffs, dunes, other geological formations?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Describe:

13. Is the project site presently used by the community or neighborhood as an open space or recreation area?

☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, explain:

Numerous land parcels throughout Town.

14. Does the present site include scenic views known to be important to the community? ☒ Yes ☐ No

At numerous locations throughout Town.

15. Streams within or contiguous to project area:

Numerous waterways, waterbodies and wetlands throughout Town.

a. Name of Stream and name of River to which it is tributary

16. Lakes, ponds, wetland areas within or contiguous to project area:

Numerous waterways, waterbodies and wetlands throughout Town.

b. Size (in acres):

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17. Is the site served by existing public utilities? ☐ Yes ☐ No

a. If **YES,** does sufficient capacity exist to allow connection? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b. If **YES**, will improvements be necessary to allow connection? ☐ Yes ☐ No

18. Is the site located in an agricultural district certified pursuant to Agriculture and Markets Law, Article 25-AA, Section 303 and 304? ☐ Yes ☐ No

19. Is the site located in or substantially contiguous to a Critical Environmental Area designated pursuant to Article 8 of the ECL, and 6 NYCRR 617? ☐ Yes ☐ No

20. Has the site ever been used for the disposal of solid or hazardous wastes? ☐ Yes ☐ No

B. Project Description

1. Physical dimensions and scale of project (fill in dimensions as appropriate).

a. Total contiguous acreage owned or controlled by project sponsor: _____ acres.

b. Project acreage to be developed: _____ acres initially; _____ acres ultimately.

c. Project acreage to remain undeveloped: _____ acres.

d. Length of project, in miles: _____ (if appropriate)

e. If the project is an expansion, indicate percent of expansion proposed. _____ %

f. Number of off-street parking spaces existing _____; proposed _____

g. Maximum vehicular trips generated per hour: _____ (upon completion of project)?

h. If residential: Number and type of housing units:

	One Family	Two Family	Multiple Family	Condominium
Initially	_____	_____	_____	_____
Ultimately	_____	_____	_____	_____

i. Dimensions (in feet) of largest proposed structure: _____ height; _____ width; _____ length.

j. Linear feet of frontage along a public thoroughfare project will occupy is? _____ ft.

2. How much natural material (i.e. rock, earth, etc.) will be removed from the site? _____ tons/cubic yards.

3. Will disturbed areas be reclaimed ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

a. If yes, for what intended purpose is the site being reclaimed?

b. Will topsoil be stockpiled for reclamation? ☐ Yes ☐ No

c. Will upper subsoil be stockpiled for reclamation? ☐ Yes ☐ No

4. How many acres of vegetation (trees, shrubs, ground covers) will be removed from site? _____ acres.

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5. Will any mature forest (over 100 years old) or other locally-important vegetation be removed by this project?

☐ Yes ☐ No

6. If single phase project: Anticipated period of construction: _____ months, (including demolition)

7. If multi-phased:

   a. Total number of phases anticipated _____ (number)

   b. Anticipated date of commencement phase 1: _____ month _____ year, (including demolition)

   c. Approximate completion date of final phase: _____ month _____ year.

   d. Is phase 1 functionally dependent on subsequent phases? ☐ Yes ☐ No

8. Will blasting occur during construction? ☐ Yes ☐ No

9. Number of jobs generated: during construction _____; after project is complete _____

10. Number of jobs eliminated by this project _____ .

11. Will project require relocation of any projects or facilities? ☐ Yes ☐ No

    If yes, explain:

12. Is surface liquid waste disposal involved? ☐ Yes ☐ No

    a. If yes, indicate type of waste (sewage, industrial, etc) and amount _____

    b. Name of water body into which effluent will be discharged _____

13. Is subsurface liquid waste disposal involved? ☐ Yes ☐ No Type _____

14. Will surface area of an existing water body increase or decrease by proposal? ☐ Yes ☐ No

    If yes, explain:

15. Is project or any portion of project located in a 100 year flood plain? ☐ Yes ☐ No

16. Will the project generate solid waste? ☐ Yes ☐ No

    a. If yes, what is the amount per month? _____ tons

    b. If yes, will an existing solid waste facility be used? ☐ Yes ☐ No

    c. If yes, give name _____ ; location _____

    d. Will any wastes not go into a sewage disposal system or into a sanitary landfill? ☐ Yes ☐ No

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e. If yes, explain:

17. Will the project involve the disposal of solid waste? ☐ Yes ☐ No

    a. If yes, what is the anticipated rate of disposal? _____ tons/month.

    b. If yes, what is the anticipated site life? _____ years.

18. Will project use herbicides or pesticides? ☐ Yes ☐ No

19. Will project routinely produce odors (more than one hour per day)? ☐ Yes ☐ No

20. Will project produce operating noise exceeding the local ambient noise levels? ☐ Yes ☐ No

21. Will project result in an increase in energy use? ☐ Yes ☐ No

    If yes, indicate type(s)

22. If water supply is from wells, indicate pumping capacity _____ gallons/minute.

23. Total anticipated water usage per day _____ gallons/day.

24. Does project involve Local, State or Federal funding? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, explain:

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25. Approvals Required:

			Type	Submittal Date
City, Town, Village Board	■ Yes	☐ No	Adoption of Comprehensive Plan and zoning amendments	
City, Town, Village Planning Board	☐ Yes	■ No	Referral and recommendation from Town Planning Board	
City, Town Zoning Board	☐ Yes	■ No		
City, County Health Department	☐ Yes	■ No		
Other Local Agencies	☐ Yes	■ No		
Other Regional Agencies	☐ Yes	■ No	Referral and recommendation from Dutchess Cty. Plang. Board	
State Agencies	☐ Yes	■ No		
Federal Agencies	☐ Yes	■ No		

C. Zoning and Planning Information

1. Does proposed action involve a planning or zoning decision? ■ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, indicate decision required:

■ Zoning amendment ☐ Zoning variance ■ New/revision of master plan ☐ Subdivision

☐ Site plan ☐ Special use permit ☐ Resource management plan ☐ Other

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2. What is the zoning classification(s) of the site?

Residential: CD (5 acre); R-4 (4 acre); R-3 (3 acre); R-2 (2 acre]); R-1 (1 acre); VRD (1 acre); and Mixed-Use and Non-Residential: HA (1/2 acre); HB (1 acre); and I (1 acre).

3. What is the maximum potential development of the site if developed as permitted by the present zoning?

No land development is proposed in this action.

4. What is the proposed zoning of the site?

Changes to use and bulk in HA (1/2 acre); HB (1 acre); and I (1 acre) zoning districts. No changes to density are proposed. All Zoning District boundaries will remain as they are currently configured.

5. What is the maximum potential development of the site if developed as permitted by the proposed zoning?

No land development is proposed in this action.

6. Is the proposed action consistent with the recommended uses in adopted local land use plans? ☐ Yes ☒ No

The proposed action consists of: an update to the existing Master Plan adopted in 1991; and amendments to the Town zoning law.

7. What are the predominant land use(s) and zoning classifications within a ¼ mile radius of proposed action?

Rural, agricultural and low to medium density residential with small areas of mixed-use and commercial uses.

8. Is the proposed action compatible with adjoining/surrounding land uses with a ¼ mile? ☒ Yes ☐ No

9. If the proposed action is the subdivision of land, how many lots are proposed? N/A

   a. What is the minimum lot size proposed? _____

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10. Will proposed action require any authorization(s) for the formation of sewer or water districts? ☐ Yes ☒ No

11. Will the proposed action create a demand for any community provided services (recreation, education, police, fire protection?

☐ Yes ☒ No

a. If yes, is existing capacity sufficient to handle projected demand? ☐ Yes ☐ No

12. Will the proposed action result in the generation of traffic significantly above present levels? ☐ Yes ☒ No

a. If yes, is the existing road network adequate to handle the additional traffic. ☐ Yes ☐ No

D. Informational Details

Attach any additional information as may be needed to clarify your project. If there are or may be any adverse impacts associated with your proposal, please discuss such impacts and the measures which you propose to mitigate or avoid them.

E. Verification

I certify that the information provided above is true to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant/Sponsor Name Supervisor David Kelly Date _____

Signature _____

Title Town of Pawling Town Supervisor

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

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PART 2 - PROJECT IMPACTS AND THEIR MAGNITUDE

Responsibility of Lead Agency

General Information (Read Carefully)

! In completing the form the reviewer should be guided by the question: Have my responses and determinations been **reasonable?** The reviewer is not expected to be an expert environmental analyst.

! The **Examples** provided are to assist the reviewer by showing types of impacts and wherever possible the threshold of magnitude that would trigger a response in column 2. The examples are generally applicable throughout the State and for most situations. But, for any specific project or site other examples and/or lower thresholds may be appropriate for a Potential Large Impact response, thus requiring evaluation in Part 3.

! The impacts of each project, on each site, in each locality, will vary. Therefore, the examples are illustrative and have been offered as guidance. They do not constitute an exhaustive list of impacts and thresholds to answer each question.

! The number of examples per question does not indicate the importance of each question.

! In identifying impacts, consider long term, short term and cumulative effects.

Instructions (Read carefully)

a. Answer each of the 20 questions in PART 2. Answer **Yes** if there will be **any** impact.

b. **Maybe** answers should be considered as **Yes** answers.

c. If answering **Yes** to a question then check the appropriate box(column 1 or 2)to indicate the potential size of the impact. If impact threshold equals or exceeds any example provided, check column 2. If impact will occur but threshold is lower than example, check column 1.

d. Identifying that an Impact will be potentially large (column 2) does not mean that it is also necessarily **significant**. Any large impact must be evaluated in PART 3 to determine significance. Identifying an impact in column 2 simply asks that it be looked at further.

e. If reviewer has doubt about size of the impact then consider the impact as potentially large and proceed to PART 3.

f. If a potentially large impact checked in column 2 can be mitigated by change(s) in the project to a small to moderate impact, also check the **Yes** box in column 3. A **No** response indicates that such a reduction is not possible. This must be explained in Part 3.

	1 Small to Moderate Impact	2 Potential Large Impact	3 Can Impact Be Mitigated by Project Change
Impact on Land			
1. Will the Proposed Action result in a physical change to the project site? NO ☐ YES ☐			
Examples that would apply to column 2			
C Any construction on slopes of 15% or greater, (15 foot rise per 100 foot of length), or where the general slopes in the project area exceed 10%.	☐	☐	☐ Yes ☐ No
C Construction on land where the depth to the water table is less than 3 feet.	☐	☐	☐ Yes ☐ No
C Construction of paved parking area for 1,000 or more vehicles.	☐	☐	☐ Yes ☐ No
C Construction on land where bedrock is exposed or generally within 3 feet of existing ground surface.	☐	☐	☐ Yes ☐ No
C Construction that will continue for more than 1 year or involve more than one phase or stage.	☐	☐	☐ Yes ☐ No
C Excavation for mining purposes that would remove more than 1,000 tons of natural material (i.e., rock or soil) per year.	☐	☐	☐ Yes ☐ No

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C Construction or expansion of a santary landfill.	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No
C Construction in a designated floodway.	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No
C Other impacts:	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No

2. Will there be an effect to any unique or unusual land forms found on the site? (i.e., cliffs, dunes, geological formations, etc.)

☒ NO ☐ YES

C Specific land forms:	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No

Impact on Water

3. Will Proposed Action affect any water body designated as protected? (Under Articles 15, 24, 25 of the Environmental Conservation Law, ECL)

☐ NO ☒ YES

Examples that would apply to column 2

C Developable area of site contains a protected water body.	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No
C Dredging more than 100 cubic yards of material from channel of a protected stream.	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No
C Extension of utility distribution facilities through a protected water body.	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No
C Construction in a designated freshwater or tidal wetland.	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No
C Other impacts:	☐	☒	☐ Yes	☐ No

Potentially beneficial: CPU objectives include review of land development regulations and open space inventory with strategies to identify more effective protection of natural resources.

4. Will Proposed Action affect any non-protected existing or new body of water?

☐ NO ☒ YES

Examples that would apply to column 2

C A 10% increase or decrease in the surface area of any body of water or more than a 10 acre increase or decrease.	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No
C Construction of a body of water that exceeds 10 acres of surface area.	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No
C Other impacts:	☐	☒	☐ Yes	☐ No

Potentially beneficial: CPU objectives include review of land development regulations and open space inventory with strategies to identify more effective protection of natural resources.

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5. Will Proposed Action affect surface or groundwater quality or quantity?

☐ NO ☒ YES

Examples that would apply to column 2

	1	2	3
C Proposed Action will require a discharge permit.	☐	☐	☐ Yes ☐ No
C Proposed Action requires use of a source of water that does not have approval to serve proposed (project) action.	☐	☐	☐ Yes ☐ No
C Proposed Action requires water supply from wells with greater than 45 gallons per minute pumping capacity.	☐	☐	☐ Yes ☐ No
C Construction or operation causing any contamination of a water supply system.	☐	☐	☐ Yes ☐ No
C Proposed Action will adversely affect groundwater.	☐	☐	☐ Yes ☐ No
C Liquid effluent will be conveyed off the site to facilities which presently do not exist or have inadequate capacity.	☐	☐	☐ Yes ☐ No
C Proposed Action would use water in excess of 20,000 gallons per day.	☐	☐	☐ Yes ☐ No
C Proposed Action will likely cause siltation or other discharge into an existing body of water to the extent that there will be an obvious visual contrast to natural conditions.	☐	☐	☐ Yes ☐ No
C Proposed Action will require the storage of petroleum or chemical products greater than 1,100 gallons.	☐	☐	☐ Yes ☐ No
C Proposed Action will allow residential uses in areas without water and/or sewer services.	☐	☐	☐ Yes ☐ No
C Proposed Action locates commercial and/or industrial uses which may require new or expansion of existing waste treatment and/or storage facilities.	☐	☐	☐ Yes ☐ No
C Other impacts:	☒	☐	☐ Yes ☐ No

Potentially beneficial: CPU objectives include review of land development regulations and open space inventory with strategies to identify more effective protection of natural resources.

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6. Will Proposed Action alter drainage flow or patterns, or surface water runoff?
   [■] NO [ ] YES

Examples that would apply to column 2

C Proposed Action would change flood water flows	[ ]	[ ]	[ ] Yes	[ ] No
C Proposed Action may cause substantial erosion.	[ ]	[ ]	[ ] Yes	[ ] No
C Proposed Action is incompatible with existing drainage patterns.	[ ]	[ ]	[ ] Yes	[ ] No
C Proposed Action will allow development in a designated floodway.	[ ]	[ ]	[ ] Yes	[ ] No
C Other impacts:	[ ]	[ ]	[ ] Yes	[ ] No

IMPACT ON AIR

7. Will Proposed Action affect air quality?
   [■] NO [ ] YES

Examples that would apply to column 2

C Proposed Action will induce 1,000 or more vehicle trips in any given hour.	[ ]	[ ]	[ ] Yes	[ ] No
C Proposed Action will result in the incineration of more than 1 ton of refuse per hour.	[ ]	[ ]	[ ] Yes	[ ] No
C Emission rate of total contaminants will exceed 5 lbs. per hour or a heat source producing more than 10 million BTU's per hour.	[ ]	[ ]	[ ] Yes	[ ] No
C Proposed Action will allow an increase in the amount of land committed to industrial use.	[ ]	[ ]	[ ] Yes	[ ] No
C Proposed Action will allow an increase in the density of industrial development within existing industrial areas.	[ ]	[ ]	[ ] Yes	[ ] No
C Other impacts:	[ ]	[ ]	[ ] Yes	[ ] No

IMPACT ON PLANTS AND ANIMALS

8. Will Proposed Action affect any threatened or endangered species?
   [ ] NO [■] YES

Examples that would apply to column 2

C Reduction of one or more species listed on the New York or Federal list, using the site, over or near the site, or found on the site.	[ ]	[ ]	[ ] Yes	[ ] No

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C Removal of any portion of a critical or significant wildlife habitat.	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No
C Application of pesticide or herbicide more than twice a year, other than for agricultural purposes.	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No
C Other impacts:	☐	■	☐ Yes	☐ No

Potentially beneficial: CPU objectives include review of land development regulations and open space inventory with strategies to identify more effective protection of natural resources.

9. Will Proposed Action substantially affect non-threatened or non-endangered species?

☐ NO ■ YES

Examples that would apply to column 2

C Proposed Action would substantially interfere with any resident or migratory fish, shellfish or wildlife species.	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No
C Proposed Action requires the removal of more than 10 acres of mature forest (over 100 years of age) or other locally important vegetation.	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No
C Other impacts:	☐	■	☐ Yes	☐ No

Potentially beneficial: CPU objectives include review of land development regulations and open space inventory with strategies to identify more effective protection of natural resources.

IMPACT ON AGRICULTURAL LAND RESOURCES

10. Will Proposed Action affect agricultural land resources?

☐ NO ■ YES

Examples that would apply to column 2

C The Proposed Action would sever, cross or limit access to agricultural land (includes cropland, hayfields, pasture, vineyard, orchard, etc.)	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No
C Construction activity would excavate or compact the soil profile of agricultural land.	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No
C The Proposed Action would irreversibly convert more than 10 acres of agricultural land or, if located in an Agricultural District, more than 2.5 acres of agricultural land.	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No

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C The Proposed Action would disrupt or prevent installation of agricultural land management systems (e.g., subsurface drain lines, outlet ditches, strip cropping); or create a need for such measures (e.g. cause a farm field to drain poorly due to increased runoff).	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No
C Other impacts:	☐	■	☐ Yes	☐ No

Potentially beneficial: CPU objectives include open space inventory with strategies to identify more effective protection of agricultural and natural resources.

IMPACT ON AESTHETIC RESOURCES

11. Will Proposed Action affect aesthetic resources? (If necessary, use the Visual EAF Addendum in Section 617.20, Appendix B.)
☐ NO ■ YES

Examples that would apply to column 2

C Proposed land uses, or project components obviously different from or in sharp contrast to current surrounding land use patterns, whether man-made or natural.	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No
C Proposed land uses, or project components visible to users of aesthetic resources which will eliminate or significantly reduce their enjoyment of the aesthetic qualities of that resource.	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No
C Project components that will result in the elimination or significant screening of scenic views known to be important to the area.	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No
C Other impacts:	☐	■	☐ Yes	☐ No

Potentially beneficial: CPU objectives include open space inventory with strategies to identify more effective protection of agricultural and open space resources.

IMPACT ON HISTORIC AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESOURCES

12. Will Proposed Action impact any site or structure of historic, prehistoric or paleontological importance?
☐ NO ■ YES

Examples that would apply to column 2

C Proposed Action occurring wholly or partially within or substantially contiguous to any facility or site listed on the State or National Register of historic places.	■	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No
C Any impact to an archaeological site or fossil bed located within the project site.	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No
C Proposed Action will occur in an area designated as sensitive for archaeological sites on the NYS Site Inventory.	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No

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C Other impacts:	☐	■	☐ Yes	☐ No

Potentially beneficial: CPU objectives include a historic inventory; community mapping; and examination of local laws regarding effective recognition and protection of these resources.

IMPACT ON OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION

13. Will proposed Action affect the quantity or quality of existing or future open spaces or recreational opportunities?

☐ NO ■ YES

Examples that would apply to column 2

C The permanent foreclosure of a future recreational opportunity.	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No
C A major reduction of an open space important to the community.	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No
C Other impacts:	☐	■	☐ Yes	☐ No

Potentially beneficial: CPU objectives include open space inventory with strategies to identify gaps; need for links in; and more effective protection of these resources.

IMPACT ON CRITICAL ENVIRONMENTAL AREAS

14. Will Proposed Action impact the exceptional or unique characteristics of a critical environmental area (CEA) established pursuant to subdivision 6NYCRR 617.14(g)?

☐ NO ■ YES

List the environmental characteristics that caused the designation of the CEA.

Examples that would apply to column 2

C Proposed Action to locate within the CEA?	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No
C Proposed Action will result in a reduction in the quantity of the resource?	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No
C Proposed Action will result in a reduction in the quality of the resource?	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No
C Proposed Action will impact the use, function or enjoyment of the resource?	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No
C Other impacts:	☐	■	☐ Yes	☐ No

Potentially beneficial: CPU objectives include evaluation of CEA and ESA (Environmentally Significant Areas) regulation and monitoring; and making linkages with other protected resources.

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IMPACT ON TRANSPORTATION

15. Will there be an effect to existing transportation systems?

☐ NO ☐ YES

Examples that would apply to column 2

	1	2	3	
C Alteration of present patterns of movement of people and/or goods.	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No
C Proposed Action will result in major traffic problems.	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No
C Other impacts:	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No

IMPACT ON ENERGY

16. Will Proposed Action affect the community's sources of fuel or energy supply?

☐ NO ☐ YES

Examples that would apply to column 2

	1	2	3	
C Proposed Action will cause a greater than 5% increase in the use of any form of energy in the municipality.	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No
C 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 major commercial or industrial use.	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No
C Other impacts:	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No

NOISE AND ODOR IMPACT

17. Will there be objectionable odors, noise, or vibration as a result of the Proposed Action?

☐ NO ☐ YES

Examples that would apply to column 2

	1	2	3	
C Blasting within 1,500 feet of a hospital, school or other sensitive facility.	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No
C Odors will occur routinely (more than one hour per day).	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No
C Proposed Action will produce operating noise exceeding the local ambient noise levels for noise outside of structures.	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No
C Proposed Action will remove natural barriers that would act as a noise screen.	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No
C Other impacts:	☐	☐	☐ Yes	☐ No

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IMPACT ON PUBLIC HEALTH

18. Will Proposed Action affect public health and safety?
[■] NO [ ] YES

C Proposed Action may cause a risk of explosion or release of hazardous substances (i.e. oil, pesticides, chemicals, radiation, etc.) in the event of accident or upset conditions, or there may be a chronic low level discharge or emission.	[ ]	[ ]	[ ] Yes	[ ] No
C Proposed Action may result in the burial of "hazardous wastes" in any form (i.e. toxic, poisonous, highly reactive, radioactive, irritating, infectious, etc.)	[ ]	[ ]	[ ] Yes	[ ] No
C Storage facilities for one million or more gallons of liquefied natural gas or other flammable liquids.	[ ]	[ ]	[ ] Yes	[ ] No
C Proposed Action may result in the excavation or other disturbance within 2,000 feet of a site used for the disposal of solid or hazardous waste.	[ ]	[ ]	[ ] Yes	[ ] No
C Other impacts:	[ ]	[ ]	[ ] Yes	[ ] No

IMPACT ON GROWTH AND CHARACTER OF COMMUNITY OR NEIGHBORHOOD

19. Will Proposed Action affect the character of the existing community?
[ ] NO [■] YES

Examples that would apply to column 2

C The permanent population of the city, town or village in which the project is located is likely to grow by more than 5%.	[ ]	[ ]	[ ] Yes	[ ] No
C The municipal budget for capital expenditures or operating services will increase by more than 5% per year as a result of this project.	[ ]	[ ]	[ ] Yes	[ ] No
C Proposed Action will conflict with officially adopted plans or goals.	[■]	[ ]	[ ] Yes	[ ] No
C Proposed Action will cause a change in the density of land use.	[ ]	[ ]	[ ] Yes	[ ] No
C Proposed Action will replace or eliminate existing facilities, structures or areas of historic importance to the community.	[ ]	[ ]	[ ] Yes	[ ] No
C Development will create a demand for additional community services (e.g. schools, police and fire, etc.)	[ ]	[ ]	[ ] Yes	[ ] No

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C Proposed Action will set an important precedent for future projects.	☐	☐	☐ Yes ☐ No
C Proposed Action will create or eliminate employment.	☐	☐	☐ Yes ☐ No
C Other impacts:	☐	■	☐ Yes ☐ No

Potentially beneficial: CPU objectives include zoning amendments for more flexible use and design.

20. Is there, or is there likely to be, public controversy related to potential adverse environment impacts?

☐ NO ☐ YES

If Any Action in Part 2 Is Identified as a Potential Large Impact or If you Cannot Determine the Magnitude of Impact, Proceed to Part 3

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Part 3 - EVALUATION OF THE IMPORTANCE OF IMPACTS

Responsibility of Lead Agency

Part 3 must be prepared if one or more impact(s) is considered to be potentially large, even if the impact(s) may be mitigated.

Instructions (If you need more space, attach additional sheets)

Discuss the following for each impact identified in Column 2 of Part 2:

1. Briefly describe the impact.

2. Describe (if applicable) how the impact could be mitigated or reduced to a small to moderate impact by project change(s).

3. Based on the information available, decide if it is reasonable to conclude that this impact is **important**.

   To answer the question of importance, consider:

   - The probability of the impact occurring
   - The duration of the impact
   - Its irreversibility, including permanently lost resources of value
   - Whether the impact can or will be controlled
   - The regional consequence of the impact
   - Its potential divergence from local needs and goals
   - Whether known objections to the project relate to this impact.

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