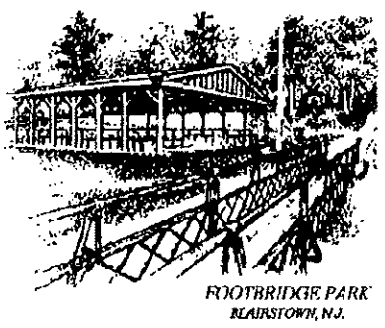


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TOWNSHIP OF BLAIRSTOWN

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Rob Moorhead, Mayor
Kristin Shipps RMC
Telephone (908) 362-6663

March 29, 2022

Honorable President Joseph R. Biden
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington DC 20500

Dear President Biden:

Enclosed you will find Resolution # 2022-53 approved by the Township of Blairstown Township Committee, County of Warren, State of New Jersey at their regular meeting held on March 9, 2022, Resolution to Support Designation of Delaware Water Gap as a Nation Park.

Very Truly yours,

Kristin Shipps, RMC

Enclosure

- Cc: Congressman Gottheimer
- Senator Cory Booker
- Senator Robert Menendez
- Governor Philip Murphy
- Senator Steve Oroho
- Assemblyman Parker Space
- Assemblyman Harold J. Wirth.
- Warren County Commissioners
- Warren County Municipalities

**TOWNSHIP OF BLAIRSTOWN
WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION 2022-53
RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT DESIGNATION OF DELAWARE WATER GAP AS
NATIONAL PARK**

Resolution to Support Designation of Delaware Water Gap as National Park

WHEREAS, the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area is the keystone of 400,000 acres of protected lands, watersheds and wildlife corridors that preserve and connect essential habitat for the sustained health and adaptability of native plant and animal communities; and

WHEREAS, designating the Delaware River National Park and Lenape Preserve is to place this jewel of our national heritage into the crown of the national park system where it has always belonged. By this action traditional uses are enshrined more securely in perpetuity, within the Lenape National Preserve, a designation that was created specifically to protect sportsmen's activities. The national park portion serves as a wildlife nursery enhancing the benefits to the hunting public by being adjacent to and surrounding the Delaware River National Park; and

WHEREAS, we recognize the singularly spectacular natural & cultural resources contained within this park, and the extraordinary complex of resources uniquely combined in one place: the Appalachian Trail, the longest undammed river in the Eastern United States the Delaware, the Kittatinny Ridge, and 12,000 years of demonstrated human occupation, all within the homeland of the Lenape people; and

WHEREAS, the park encompasses significant Native American archaeological sites, a number of structures also remain from early Dutch settlement and the colonial contact period, historic and intact rural villages from the 18th and 19th centuries on the New Jersey side, and landscapes of past settlements are scattered throughout the park; and

WHEREAS, this action will establish formal recognition of the sacred homeland of the Lenape people to all who visit the Delaware River National Park & Lenape Preserve in perpetuity; and

WHEREAS, the Delaware Water Gap is home to countless plants and animals, including species that make the park their permanent home and migratory species that travel between the upper reaches of the river and the Atlantic Ocean; and

WHEREAS, of the 64 National Parks, only 9 are in eastern United States and none are in New Jersey, New York or Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, upgrading the Delaware Water Gap would create greater awareness and prestige for the region and may mean more funding for maintenance, visitor amenities and other improvements as well as support the local economy; and

WHEREAS, the Delaware Water Gap has more than 120 miles of hiking trails along streams, ridges, mountaintops 27 miles of which are part of the Appalachian Trail.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of Blairstown Supports the Designation of the Delaware Water Gap as a National Park and urges all members of the New Jersey Congressional Delegation as well as all members of congress to support same.

Date: March 9, 2022

Motion: Orcutt

Second: Van Valkenburg

Roll Call: Makatura—absent, Orcutt—yes, Van Valkenburg—yes, Waldron—absent, Moorhead—yes

CERTIFICATION: It is hereby certified that this is a true and accurate copy of a Resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Blairstown, Warren County, NJ at a Township Meeting held on March 9, 2022.


Kristin Shipps, RMC



May Corresp 2
CC: Committee

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April 12, 2022

Dear Kelley,

I was hoping to schedule **15 minutes** of your time to take you through an online demonstration of our **Citizen Request & Citizen Notification** software.

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Please contact me at your earliest convenience.

Best Regards,

Kevin Strauss

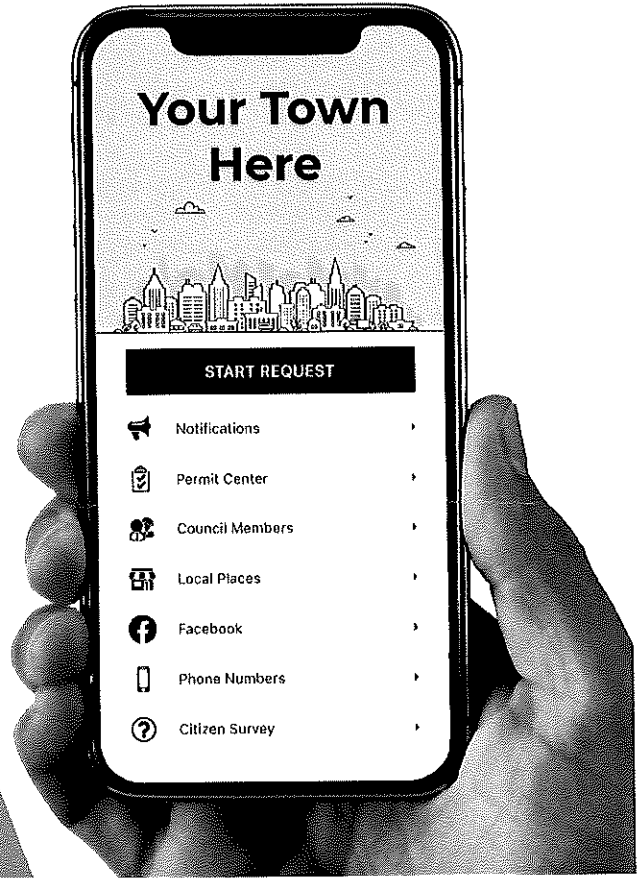
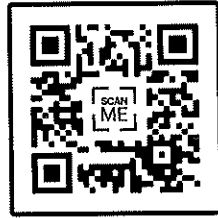
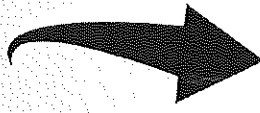
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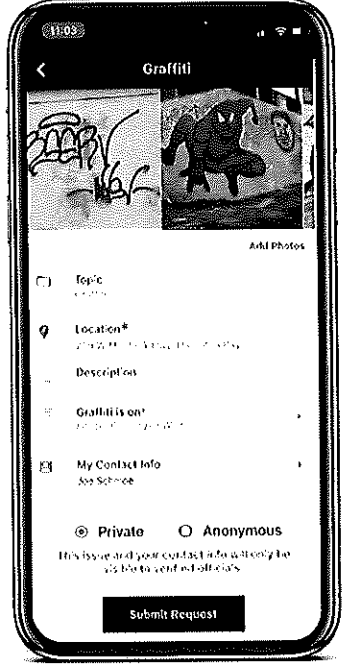
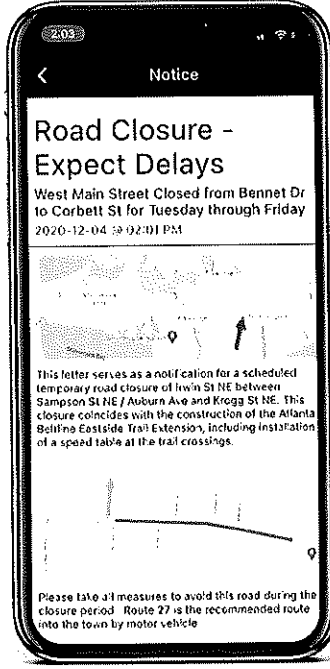
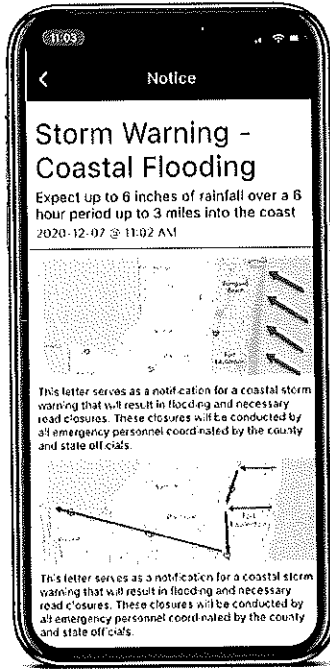
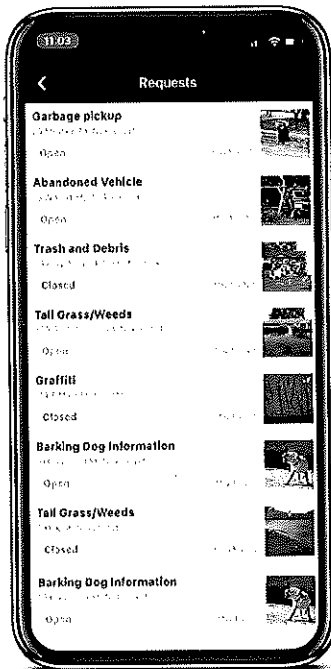
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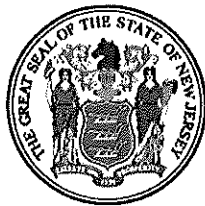
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PHILIP D. MURPHY
Governor

DIANE GUTIERREZ-SCACCETTI
Commissioner

SHEILA Y. OLIVER
Lt. Governor

April 21, 2022

Dear Mayor/County Commissioner/County Executive:

On behalf of Governor Phil Murphy, I am pleased to announce that applications will now be accepted for the New Jersey Department of Transportation's (NJDOT) Fiscal Year 2023 State Aid programs. **The deadline for grant application submissions is July 1st.** Grant awards are expected to be announced in November.

As you may know, the Transportation Trust Fund Reauthorization Act of 2016 increased funding for Local Aid programs to counties and municipalities from \$190 million per year to \$430 million. The reason for the steep increase is that the majority of New Jersey's roadway mileage—about 90 percent—is under local government jurisdiction and is in as much need of repair as the state roadway network.

Over the past year, improvements to the grant application and project delivery processes have been implemented.

- The Project Management and Reporting System (PMRS) was launched. This new system reduces paper consumption and adds efficiencies. You will continue to submit applications through SAGE (System for Administering Grants Electronically), but you are now required to submit your **Resolution of Support** through the PMRS platform no later than **July 31st.**
- Your grant announcement and project management processes will now be through PMRS. Older projects will be phased into the PMRS platform in the next two months.
- A Map Maker Tool is now available to all grant applicants to standardize all map submissions.

This year, following federal and state guidance, equity is incorporated into all State Aid programs to promote an equitable delivery of government benefits. Additional points will be added to projects in areas where vulnerable populations exist. Current census data will be used to determine if a project meets the equity criteria. Equity information will be available on NJDOT's Local Aid Resource Center website at: [NJ DOT - Local Aid Resource Center \(njdotlocalaidrc.com\)](http://NJDOT-LocalAidResourceCenter.njdotlocalaidrc.com)

A series of training classes were held to communicate the changes, and a wide range of informational resources were developed and are now available on our Local Aid Resource Center website. Please reach out to the Local Aid Resource Center with any questions.

The following is a brief description of each grant program:

- **Municipal Aid** - This \$151.25 million program with an additional \$10 million in Urban Aid provides funding for local transportation projects for a total of \$161.25 million. Municipalities are encouraged to consider projects that support walking and biking safety.
- **Transit Village*** - This program is open to the 34 municipalities that have been designated as Transit Villages by the Commissioner of Transportation and the inter-agency Transit Village Task Force. A total of \$1 million is available to fund traditional and non-traditional transportation projects that enhance walking, biking and/or transit ridership within a half mile of the transit facility. The approved Transit Village municipalities are provided in the following link:
<http://www.state.nj.us/transportation/business/localaid/transitvillagef.shtml>
- **Bikeways*** - This \$1 million program is intended to fund bicycle projects which create new Bike Path Mileage. This program encourages new bikeways that are physically separated from motorized vehicular traffic by an open space or barrier, but on-road bike lanes and other bike routes and facilities are also eligible for funding. Counties and municipalities are eligible.
- **Safe Streets to Transit*** - This program encourages counties and municipalities to construct safe and accessible pedestrian linkages to transit facilities to promote transit usage for all. A total of \$1 million is available for grant awards.

*Note: An additional \$15.3 million was provided in the FY 22 state budget to disperse among these programs for a total of \$18.3 million allowing the award of many more grants and more fully funded grants.

All projects funded through the Transportation Trust Fund must comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). ADA guidance, program descriptions and application guidance materials can be found on the NJDOT website at: <http://www.state.nj.us/transportation/business/localaid/stateaid.shtml>

If you choose to apply, please be aware that Municipal Aid regulations require projects receiving this type of aid to award a construction contract within **24 months** from the date of grant notification.

I encourage you to submit applications for these Local Aid programs. Each program application will be evaluated independently, affording counties and municipalities the opportunity to receive funding in more than one category.

The enclosed map provides contact information for each Local Aid District Office. If you need assistance preparing your application, please contact your Local Aid District Office. Please keep in mind that a separate application for each project must be completed and submitted on or before **July 1st, 2022**, on-line through the Department's electronic grants administration system, known by its acronym, SAGE, at: <https://njsage.intelligrants.com/Login.aspx?APP THEME=NJSAGE>

As Commissioner of Transportation, I am committed to maintaining and improving New Jersey's local transportation infrastructure by providing financial assistance, technical expertise, and training in surmounting the application process for traditional and non-traditional local transportation initiatives. Our counties and municipalities will be well positioned to design and construct important local projects without the need to impact property taxes. Your success in building projects and spending the additional capital will mean success not only for your constituents, but for the entire state.

Thank you for your continued interest and support of NJDOT, and best wishes for success with your project applications.

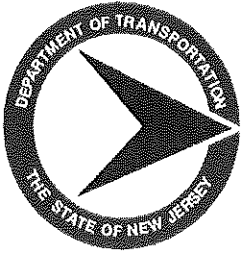
Sincerely,



Diane Gutierrez-Scaccetti
Commissioner

Enclosure

PMRS notification: County/Municipal Clerk
 County/Municipal Engineer



Local Aid and Economic Development

Our District Offices

Main Office

1035 Parkway Avenue
PO Box 600
Trenton, NJ 08625-0600
Phone: 609.963.2021
Fax: 609.530.8044
Manager: David Bruccoleri

District 1, Mount Arlington

Roxbury Corporate Center
200 Stierli Court
Mount Arlington, NJ 07856
Phone: 973.810.9120
Fax: 973.601.6709
Manager: Adam Iervolino

District 2, Newark

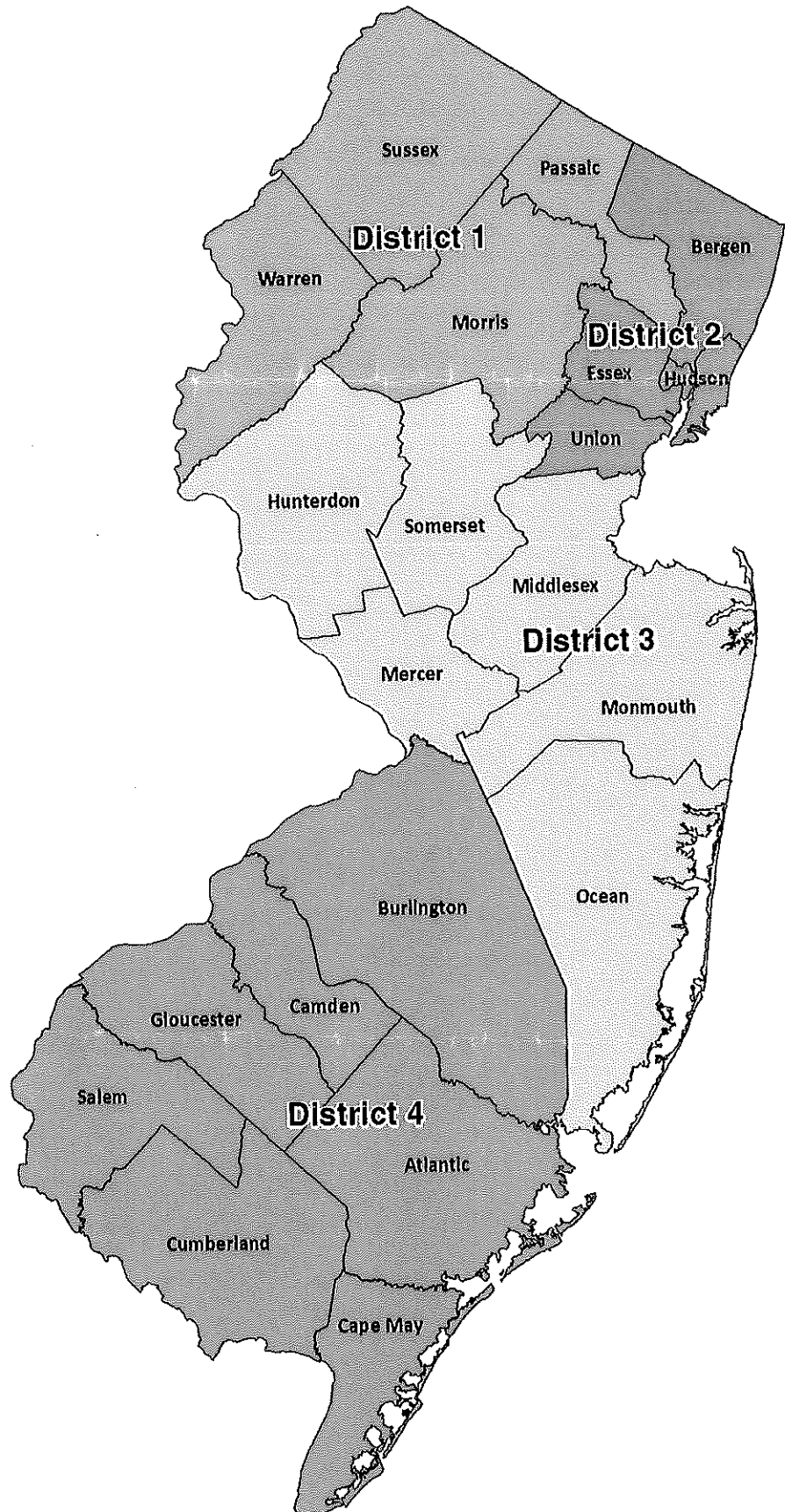
153 Halsey Street, 5th floor
Newark, NJ 07102
Phone: 973.877.1500
Fax: 973.648.4547
Manager: TBD

District 3, Trenton

1035 Parkway Avenue PO Box 600
Trenton, NJ 08625-0600
Phone: 609.963.2020
Fax: 609.530.8044
Manager: Deval Desai

District 4, Cherry Hill

One Executive Campus
Route 70 West, 3rd Floor
Cherry Hill, NJ 08002
Phone: 856.414.8414
Fax: 856.486.6771
Manager: Thomas Berryman



LEGAL NOTICE
TOWNSHIP OF HARMONY
LAND USE BOARD

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on Thursday, April 28, 2022, at 6:00 p.m., a **special hybrid public meeting** will be conducted where individuals can participate by **virtual/online, telephonic or live** means, pursuant to the instructions set forth below, before the Township of Harmony Land Use Board (the "Land Use Board") in strict accordance with the limited remand set forth in the Decision and Order rendered by the Honorable Thomas C. Miller, A.J.S.C., Superior Court, Law Division, Warren County dated March 9, 2022, in connection with the litigation entitled Dalrymple et. al. vs. Harmony Township Land Use Board et. al., Docket No. WRN-L-00148-21 (the "Litigation"), which litigation sought to appeal Harmony Plains Solar I, LLC's ("Harmony Plains Solar") approvals for development of a solar production system.

The blocks and lots upon which the solar production system is proposed are designated on the official Tax Assessment Maps of the Township of Harmony as Block 37, Lot 4, Block 38, Lots 2, 2.05 and 2.06, and Block 44, Lots 9, 10, 14 and 23. A utility easement is also required across Block 37, Lot 17.01 in connection with the proposed development of the surrounding lots. The project is located primarily within the AR-250 (Agricultural/Residential) Zoning District. Block 37, Lot 4 is located within the AR-250 Zoning District and the HD/AH (High Density Affordable Housing) overlay zone. Block 44, Lot 9 is entirely within the LI-O (Light Industrial/Office) Zoning District and Block 44, Lot 23 is partly within the LI-O Zoning District and partly within the I (Industrial) Zoning District. Solar production systems are permitted as a conditional use in the AR-250, LI-O and I zones.

On January 6, 2021, the Land Use Board granted Preliminary and Final Major Site Plan approval pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-46 and N.J.S.A. 40:55D-50, as well as major subdivision approval pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-48 and N.J.S.A. 40:55D-50. In addition, the Land Use Board granted the following bulk variance relief in connection with the proposed major subdivision:

- (1) Block 38, Lot 2 (for Proposed Lot 2.01) to permit a maximum lot coverage of 25.16% where a maximum lot coverage of 10% is permitted; and
- (2) Block 38, Lot 2 (for Proposed Lot 2.01) to permit a front yard setback of 59 feet (an existing nonconformity) where 75 feet is required.

The Land Use Board's decision was memorialized by resolution adopted on March 3, 2021. The Litigation was commenced on April 20, 2021 challenging the Land Use Board's approval of Harmony Plains Solar's application. By Decision and Order dated March 9, 2022, the Honorable Thomas C. Miller, A. J. S. C. of the Superior Court, Law Division, Warren County affirmed many of the Land Use Board's actions but determined that a limited remand with regard to Harmony Plains Solar's corporate disclosure submitted to the Land Use Board was required.

The Municipal Land Use Law, N.J.S.A. 40:55D-48.1 requires all corporations and partnerships seeking to develop a property for commercial purposes to disclose the names and addresses of all stockholders or individual partners owning at least 10% of its stock of any class or at least 10% of the interest in the partnership, as the case may be. The Court's decision provided that "the record can be opened so that the [supplemental corporate disclosure provided to the Court] can be admitted; and the matter can be opened to the public for comment." The decision further provided that the Land Use Board "can then vote on the record as supplemented so that a full public record can then be available..."

This legal notice is intended to convey to the interested parties, the subject matter to be considered by the Land Use Board. A good faith effort has been made to accurately describe the land use approvals received from the Land Use Board, the appeal, the determination by the Court and the issue before the Land

Use Board on limited remand. Harmony Plains Solar requests that the Land Use Board grant any additional approvals reflected in the materials filed (as same may be amended or revised from time to time without further notice), or determined to be necessary during the review, processing and disposition of this application.

Pursuant to the enactment of regulations entitled Emergency Remote Meeting Protocol for Local Public Bodies, N.J.A.C. 5:39-1, the special meeting and public hearing will be held by **online/virtual means, telephonically and live**. The Land Use Board is utilizing the Zoom meetings program to conduct regular meetings in compliance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act. During the public hearing, any interested party will have an opportunity to view the hearing in its entirety, be heard (ask questions, provide comments or offer evidence) by visiting:

Join Zoom Meeting

Please click on the link below to join the meeting:

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Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3567203596>

Participating via online/virtual means or telephonically is free of charge to the public. A link to the special meeting will also be provided at the following website, <http://www.harmonytwp-nj.gov/> by clicking on the link for the April 28, 2022 Land Use Board agenda prior to the public hearing.

Individuals can also attend the meeting in person commencing at 6:00 p.m. at the Harmony Township Municipal Building, 3003 Belvidere Road, Phillipsburg, NJ 08865.

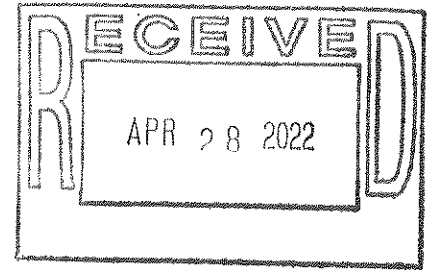
Members of the public interested in asking questions, providing comments, or offering evidence concerning the application can do so during the public hearing. The application, maps, plans and related supporting materials will be available for public inspection on the Land Use Board's website: <http://www.harmonytwp-nj.gov/landuseboard.html> at least ten (10) days before the public hearing. Alternatively, individuals may review copies of the application, maps, plans and related supporting materials at the Harmony Township Municipal Building, located at 3003 Belvidere Road, Phillipsburg, NJ 08865 during regular business hours, 9:00 AM– 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday (excluding holidays). Individuals lacking the resources or know-how for technological access may contact the Board Secretary, Kelley Smith, at the following e-mail address: clerk@harmonytwp-nj.gov, or by telephone at (908) 213-1600 Ext. 15 for general assistance in accessing the plans on file electronically and the meeting. In addition, all exhibits (pre-marked) which will be relied upon during the public hearing, together with the review letters of the Land Use Board's consultants, will be available for inspection at least 48 hours before the public hearing at <http://www.harmonytwp-nj.gov/landuseboard.html>. The public hearing may be continued without further notice on such additional or other dates as the Land Use Board may determine.

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Attorney for the Applicant, Harmony Plains Solar I, LLC
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West Orange, NJ 07052
(973) 530-2071

Dated: April 18, 2022

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**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN**
Wayne Dumont, Jr. Administration Building
165 County Route 519, South
Belvidere, NJ 07823



RESOLUTION 196-22

On a motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 13, 2022.

RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO THE DESIGNATION OF THE DELAWARE WATER GAP NATIONAL RECREATION AREA AS A NATIONAL PARK WITHOUT SPECIFIC DETAILS AS TO THE IMPACT TO THE WARREN COUNTY REGION

WHEREAS, on January 23, 2022, the Warren County Board of County Commissioners passed Resolution 45-22 supporting the re-designation of the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area as a National Park and Preserve, in part, to support increased funding, recognition, maintenance, and services in the park with the implicit desire that all hunting, fishing, agriculture, hiking and other recreational activities continue and not be diminished in any way, and furthermore, that trapping be allowed in the re-designation, and

WHEREAS, since that resolution was passed, organizations such as the Sierra Club, Penn Environment, Congressional Leaders, and the other National Organizations have expressed goals that are in opposition to the Commissioners explicit goals when passing a resolution of support, and

WHEREAS, many groups have come out in opposition of the proposed re-designation including the Warren County Sportsman Federation, New Jersey Outdoor Alliance, the Spruce Run Local Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation, and the NJ Women in the Outdoors NWTf Chapter among other groups and Governmental Organizations; and

WHEREAS, the failure of the Designation's Advocates to provide complete information or promote transparency on issues related to hunting, fishing, wildlife management, outdoor recreation, eminent domain, and other matters of importance to Warren County residents. As well as clarification as to the scope and effect of said designation on issues of interest to the residents of Warren County, including, but not limited to, the location, size and scope of the proposed preserved area, the fees charged and collected therefor, the activities allowed and disallowed thereon, including, but not limited to, hunting, fishing, wildlife management, and outdoor recreation, and the impact on public and private lands and interests therein, including matters of eminent domain.

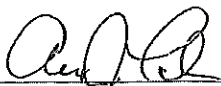
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Warren County Board of County Commissioners specifically opposes the proposal advocated for by the New Jersey and Pennsylvania chapters of the Sierra Club and others the effect of which would be to change the DEWA designation to that of a National Park or Preserve without first presenting a formal plan and answering fully, completely and to the satisfaction of this Board and public that it represents any and all questions regarding the agricultural, economic, and environmental impacts of said designation, the sources of funding, any proposed fees and charges for said use, any and all plans for acquisition of public and private lands by eminent domain or any other means, a map depicting the full and complete area of designation and any sub-designations

thereof, and the impact said proposal and designation would have on hunting, fishing, wildlife management, and active and passive outdoor recreation and education activities generally and for residents of Warren County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution shall be caused to be served on all State and Federal elected officials representing New Jersey generally and the County of Warren specifically, as well as local governments of the County of Warren, United States Senators Patrick Toomey and Bob Casey, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, National Park Services, Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area, Delaware River Basin Commission, New Jersey and Pennsylvania Chapters of the Sierra Club, the New Jersey Outdoor Alliance, Partnership for the Delaware Estuary, National Lands Trust, Sussex County Board of County Commissioners, and Sussex and Warren Counties County Superintendents of Schools.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Kern, Ms. Ciesla, Mr. Sarnoski

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.



Alex J. Lazofisak

, Clerk