

**Green Acres Program
State House Commission Final Application
Local Parkland—Minor Diversion/Disposal**

April 30, 2021

**Re: Replacement of Well 20 - Minor Diversion
Block 736, Lot 9.01
Township of Parsippany-Troy Hills, Morris County, NJ
Notice of Green Acres Public Hearing**

Dear Interested Party:

This notice is to provide you with written notification that the Township of Parsippany-Troy Hills, located at 1001 Parsippany Boulevard, will hold a public hearing to obtain comments regarding its application to the NJDEP Green Acres Program, for the proposed minor diversion of parkland owned by the Township of Parsippany-Troy Hills. This application is subject to NJDEP Commissioner and State House Commission approval and is available for review at the Municipal Clerk's office (1001 Parsippany Boulevard) by calling the Township Clerk at 973-263-4358 or the Township website <https://www.parsippany.net>, at the local library (449 Halsey Road), and at the NJDEP Green Acres Program offices (address below).

The public hearing will be held on **Thursday, May 13th, 2021 at 7:00 P.M., to be hosted via a virtual meeting platform**. Due to the State of Emergency and Public Health Emergency declared by Governor Murphy, and in an effort to prevent further spread of COVID-19 and to protect the health and safety of Township residents, this meeting is being held by electronic remote access via WebEx Meeting (<https://bit.ly/3ugbh1T>, entering First Name/Last Name/E-mail Address when prompted) or via the conference line (**844-621-3956, PIN: 631180**). All interested parties are invited to attend and participate in the public hearing. In addition to oral comments presented during the hearing, written comments may be submitted to the agencies listed below. All written comments must be received within two weeks following the hearing, by **Thursday, May 27, 2021**.

The proposed parkland diversion would involve the construction on a 0.164-acre portion of Block 736, Lot 9.01 on the official tax map of the Township, by the Township's water department of a replacement well, pump house and access drive in support of the Township's drinking water system. In accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:36-26.5(a)1, as compensation for the proposed minor diversion, the Township proposes to remit \$19,311.22 to Green Acres for deposit into the Garden State Preservation Trust Fund.

This application also requires a minor diversion from the Morris County Board of County Commissioners. The proposed minor diversion of a 0.164-acre portion of Block 736, Lot 9.01 forms part of the open space lands preserved, in part, with funding assistance from the Morris County Open Space, Farmland, Floodplain Protection and Historic Preservation Trust Fund as part of the Smith Road Sheep Farm (Block 736, Lots 9.01 and 9.02) in 2005. Compensation for the proposed minor diversion will be determined in accordance with the Morris County Open Space, Farmland, Floodplain Protection and Historic Preservation Trust Fund Rules.

All written comments should be submitted to the Township of Parsippany Troy Hills Water Department, with copy to the NJDEP Green Acres Program and Morris County, at the following addresses:

Township of Parsippany-Troy Hills
Water Department
1001 Parsippany Boulevard
Parsippany, NJ 07054
Attention: John Wieworka
JWieworka@Parsippany.net

NJ Department of Environmental Protection
Green Acres Program
Bureau of Legal Services and Stewardship
Mail Code 501-01
P.O. Box 420
Trenton, NJ 08625-0420
Attention: Morris County Steward
Adam Page Taylor Adam.Taylor@dep.nj.gov

County of Morris
Office of Planning & Preservation
P.O. Box 900
Morristown, NJ 07963-0900
Attention: Joseph Barilla, PP/AICP
jbarilla@co.morris.nj.us

Due to remote working arrangements during the current state of public health emergency, e-mail comments are preferred.