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## **WOODBINE EXTENDS WATER SERVICE TO BELLEPLAIN STATE FOREST**

**Woodbine**—Mayor William Pikolycky is pleased to announce that the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Parks and Forestry, has issued the Borough of Woodbine the necessary construction permits for the long-awaited project to provide municipal water service through the Woodbine Municipal Utilities Authority to Belleplain State Forest. The project will be going out to bid shortly, with an anticipated construction date of early July.

Churchill Consulting Engineers of Berlin, NJ, will be designing and advertising for bids for construction of this watermain extension.

The approximately 1 million-dollar project will replace three water supply wells serving the State Forest's Administrative Building, Maintenance Complex, Lake Nummy Bathhouse, Day Use Area Pavilions, Interpretive Center, North Shore Camping, Meisle Field Camping, CCC Camping and Group Camping Areas. The existing wells will be abandoned as per NJDEP regulations and the associated storage tanks, pumps, and equipment will be removed. The municipal tie-in will follow Route 550 to the forest and thence to the forest entrance road. The approximate distance of this proposed new water main is two and a half (2.5) miles.

"Belleplain State Forest expanded by acquiring 700 acres in the Borough; Woodbine is now expanding its water service into the State Forest, continuing this partnership, which began with the bikepath/park trail continuum," noted Mayor Pikolycky. "This project will also include expansion of water service to several additional Borough residences."