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COMPREHENSIVE MANAGEMENT PLAN BEING REEXAMINED

Woodbine—Mayor William Pikolycky is pleased to inform that the New Jersey Pinelands Commission will be considering several important changes to the Pinelands Comprehensive Management Plan during the next several months. Chief among these are proposed rules regarding clustering of residential development in Pinelands Forest and Rural Development Areas and potential changes to the Pinelands "Land Capability Map" which, if enacted, will directly affect municipal zoning in many parts of the Pinelands, of which Woodbine, Upper, and Dennis Townships are part.

In an effort to provide detailed information and answer questions about these proposed changes, the Pinelands Commission is inviting Mayors, Township Committee or Council members, Zoning or Planning Board members, zoning officers and any other township professionals to join the Commission at its offices on 15 Springfield Road, Pemberton Township, Burlington County, on Wednesday, October 22, 2008 from 9 a.m. to Noon or Thursday, October 23, 2008, from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

"As Vice Chair of the Pinelands Municipal Council, which represents the 53 Pinelands municipalities, I would like to note that this is an important opportunity for municipal officials to learn firsthand about these proposed changes which could have a major impact on their communities, and so I encourage them to make the time to attend these meetings. These comes on the heels of the Pinelands Commission's decision that public/municipal, county, and state projects within the Pinelands boundaries will be liable for application fees. Key members of the Pinelands Commission staff will be on-hand to field questions. If you would like to attend, please RSVP by contacting Paul Leakan at (609) 894-7300 or at info@njpines.state.nj.us," concluded Mayor Pikolycky.