

# MEMORANDUM

TO: Terry Martino

FROM: Daniel F. Kelleher

DATE: January 31, 2013

RE: Economic Services Unit Activities for January 2012

Unit activities were as follows:

### Hamlet Infrastructure

On 1/4/13, staff met with Town of Inlet (Hamilton County) Supervisor John Frey to discuss the process for developing sewage treatment facilities in the Park. Mr. Frey highlighted the funding sources used for the project and provided staff with a tour of the facility and district. The plant is expected to be in operation by summer 2013.

# Adirondack Partnership Recreation Planning Workgroup

On 1/14/13 Special Assistant for Economic Affairs Dan Kelleher participated in a meeting of the Plan's writing group to discuss a draft recreation plan document. Agency staff has been providing expertise on State land planning and economic development to the workgroup. A final recreation plan is expected from the workgroup in early spring 2013.

# J&L Site Remediation (St. Lawrence County)

On 1/15/13, staff participated in the monthly J&L site remediation conference call administered by DEC and attended by State, County, and Local government officials. A draft site investigation report for the 18-acre Environmental Restoration Program site is being reviewed by DEC. A proposed remedial action plan is expected to be completed in spring of 2013. Draft site investigation reports are being developed for the two State Superfund sites and are expected to be completed in mid-2013.

## Community Transformation Tourism Fund

On 1/16/13, staff participated in a set-up meeting of the Community Transformation Tourism Fund, a revolving loan fund awarded during the 2012 CFA process. Members of the North Country Regional Council, and representatives from the Adirondack Economic Development Corporation and Empire State Development were in attendance. The fund is expected to encourage new tourism-related ventures in the North Country.

#### Tri-Lakes Business Alliance

On 1/25/13, staff met with the Tri-Lake Business Alliance in Chestertown (Warren County). The group represents businesses from the communities surrounding Friends Lake, Brant Lake, and Loon Lake. The Alliance is active in event development and promotion in order to attract shoulder-season and off-season visitation to the communities.

### North Creek Business Alliance

On 1/31/13, staff met with the North Creek Business Alliance in Johnsburg (Warren County). The group of business leaders works to improve the visitor experience of the Town of Johnsburg as well as to promote the Town as a great place to visit.

# Regulatory Programs Support

Economic Services staff is supporting the Regulatory Programs staff on several projects including a zip-line in Warren County, a group camp in Essex County, a campground in St. Lawrence County, a quarry, RV Park and zip-line in Herkimer County, and a bike trail in Essex County.

## Adirondack Park Local Government Day

Economic Services staff is providing support on the development of the Adirondack Park Local Government Day conference.

# Development in the Adirondack Park Guidance

Economic Services staff continues to provide support on the development of the revised "Development in the Adirondack Park" guidance document.