

MEMORANDUM

TO: Terry Martino

FROM: Daniel F. Kelleher

DATE: August 28, 2013

RE: Economic Services Unit Activities for August 2013

Unit activities were as follows:

Capital District Regional Economic Development Council

Staff has provided the council a progress report in regards to Agency participation on the Council's priority projects funded in 2011 and 2012. The projects include the Warrensburg Health Center in Warrensburg, Warren County, the Charles R. Wood Environmental Park in Lake George, Warren County, the First Wilderness Heritage Corridor Implementation project throughout Saratoga and Warren Counties, and the reconstruction of public docks in Lake George, Warren County. The Agency has issued letters of non-jurisdiction for both projects in Lake George.

J&L Steel Site Remediation Conference Call

On 8/20/13, Special Assistant for Economic Affairs represented the Agency on the monthly J&L site remediation conference call administered by DEC. The Attorney General's office has released the County from liability on the property allowing the county to subdivide the least polluted 18 acres away from the remaining property thus allowing for redevelopment. The County is still seeking funding to remove the existing buildings on the site.

Champlain-Hudson Power Express Project Environmental Trust Governance Committee

On 8/13/13, Special Assistant for Economic Affairs represented the Agency as a member of the Champlain-Hudson Power Express Project Environmental Trust Governance Committee (CHPEPE). The Governance Committee recently selected the Hudson River Fund as the 3rd Party Trust Administrator to be overseen by the Governance Committee. The Trust is responsible for managing \$117 million over the next 35 years as mitigation for CHPEPE construction. The money is to be

disbursed to a variety of priority projects chosen by the committee that will improve the environmental conditions of the Champlain Lake and Hudson River. The Agency is a member of the committee.

Ticonderoga Meat Processing Facility

On Wednesday, August 28th, Special Assistant for Economic Affairs attended a "construction celebration" for the Adirondack Meat Company's processing facility in Ticonderoga, Essex County. The Agency permitted the project in June, 2012 and the project was deemed a priority project by the North Country Regional Economic Development Council. The facility's exterior has been constructed and equipment installation is expected this fall.

Planning Division Support

Economic Services staff is supporting the State Lands division by providing an economic impact section for the Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for the 2013 Finch Pruyn land classifications. Staff also presented on this research at the August meeting.

Regulatory Programs Support

Economic Services staff is supporting Regulatory Programs on several projects including a recreation facility in Warren County, two recreation facilities in Essex County, a railway in St. Lawrence County, and a mine in Oneida County,