

LEILANI CRAFTS ULRICH Chairwoman **TERRY MARTINO**Executive Director

MEMORANDUM

TO: Terry Martino, Executive Director

FROM: Dan Kelleher, Special Assistant for Economic Affairs

DATE: June 3, 2015

RE: Economic Services Unit Activities for May, 2015.

Unit activities were as follows:

Public Outreach

On 5/6/15 staff presented an overview about the Adirondack Park to Stockton College students visiting the Olympic Regional Development Authority. The presentation covered topics such as the Adirondack Private Land Use Plan, the State Land Master Plan, economic development in the Park, and the State's recent purchase of the Finch Pruyn lands.

Lake George Waterkeeper Low Impact Development Conference

On 5/8/15 Economic Services and Planning staff attended the Lake George Waterkeeper's Annual Low Impact Development Conference in Lake George, Warren County. The conference highlights a diversity of low impact development implementation strategies and this year the Waterkeeper unveiled its new Low Impact Development (LID) Certification System. The Lake George Waterkeeper's LID Certification System will be available to property owners in summer 2015. The goal of the certification system is to incentivize property owners to develop their properties in an environmentally benign way by offering a certification for properties developed using low impact development techniques. The certification will be available to properties in the municipalities bordering Lake George.

North Country Regional Economic Development Council

On 5/15/15 staff attended the North Country Regional Economic Development Council (NCREDC) meeting in Potsdam, St. Lawrence County. Staff also attended NCREDC forums in Elizabethtown, Essex County; Paul Smiths, Franklin County; and Blue Mountain Lake, Hamilton County on both 5/17/15 and 5/18/15. Staff is also assisting the Council in reviewing economic and demographic information on the region.

Regulatory Programs Support

Economic Services staff is supporting the Regulatory Programs Division on several projects including two hotels in Essex County, a commercial and hospitality use in Essex County, a campground in Herkimer County, a subdivision in Essex County, a dam project in Fulton County, a subdivision in Saratoga County, and a marina in Franklin County.

Planning Division Support

Staff is assisting the Planning Division in its review of two Adirondack Park Land Use and Development Plan Map amendments in Essex County. Staff is supporting the State Lands Division in the Agency's review of the Remsen-Lake Placid Travel Corridor Unit Management Plan.