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Commissioner



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Honorable David A. Paterson
Governor of New York State
New York State Executive Chamber
State Capitol
Albany, New York 12224

Dear Governor Paterson:

Enclosed is the annual report listing the Department of Environmental Conservation's (DEC) and Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation's (OPRHP) open space land acquisition activities for calendar year 2009 undertaken using Environmental Protection Fund resources, the Natural Resources Damage Fund, Clean Water/Clean Air Bond Act, Court of Claims, Federal Forest Legacy Funds and gifts.

While the fiscal crisis gripping the state has required significant cutbacks in state programs, including expenditures from the state's Environmental Protection Fund, both agencies continued their land conservation efforts, albeit at a reduced level, in 2009.

This year DEC and OPRHP combined forces to protect 11,323 acres in fee and conservation easements on several projects.

In 2009, DEC acquired a critical addition to the Long Island Pine Barrens, several gift parcels, and accepted 9,500 acres in conservation easements in the New York City Watershed.

In 2009, OPRHP acquired lands to buffer, improve and protect the state's unparalleled park system. The acquisition of the east approach to Walkway Over The Hudson State Historic Park was completed the day before the Governor opened the park to rave reviews and huge crowds. Other acquisitions were specifically targeted to fill critical inholdings, and purposely limited to those that do not increase OPRHP's operational costs—such as inholdings at Minnewaska State Park Preserve and the wooded area across from the Taconic Region's new regional headquarters in Staatsburgh.

Projects listed in the report come directly from the 2009 New York State Open Space Conservation Plan you approved in June, 2009. The Plan includes a range of sensible and cost effective recommendations that can help protect our outdoor heritage in affordable ways. In addition to DEC and OPRHP, the Departments of State, Agriculture and Markets, Transportation, the Governor's Smart Growth Cabinet, the Ocean and Great

Lakes Council, the Climate Smart Community Network and the Hudson River Estuary Program assist New Yorkers and local government officials in implementing these recommendations to protect and enhance open space and its many environmental and economic benefits.

As we work to recover from the current financial crisis, we will use the Open Space Plan and our Smart Growth program to mitigate and adapt to climate change, green our communities, create jobs, and conserve open spaces close to where people live, connected by a variety of transportation options that will help us improve the health of our residents, decrease our carbon emissions and protect the well-being of our ecosystems.

We are pleased to provide you with this 2009 state land acquisition report and look forward to continuing our work to conserve our open space resources as a critical economic and environmental component of New York's heritage.

Sincerely,



Alexander B. Grannis



Carol Ash

Enclosure

c: Sheldon Silver, Speaker, New York State Assembly
Ronald Canestrari, Majority Leader, New York State Assembly
Brian Kolb, Minority Leader, New York State Assembly
Malcolm Smith, Majority Temporary President, New York State Senate
Pedro Espada, Jr., Majority Leader, New York State Senate
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Antoine Thompson, Chair, Senate Environmental Committee
Peter Iwanowicz, Deputy Secretary for the Environment
Erik Kulleseid, OPRHP

2009 DEC Land Acquisition Report (31 Projects)

Project ID	DEC Region	Primary County	Park Name	Project Name	Recording Date	Acres Fee	Acres CE	Total Acres	Equivalent Miles	Total Cost
113	7	OSWEGO	N/A	FLYING ACE- STATEWIDE SMALL PROJECT	1/5/2009	50	0	50	N/A	\$30,000
025.01	8	MONROE	N/A	BRADDOCK BAY	1/6/2009	237.5	0	237.5	N/A	\$798,500
1405	4	DELAWARE	N/A	NYC WATERSHED LANDS	1/29/2009	0	763	763	N/A	\$0
1406	4	DELAWARE	N/A	NYC WATERSHED LANDS	1/29/2009	0	869	869	N/A	\$0
1407	4	DELAWARE	N/A	NYC WATERSHED LANDS	1/29/2009	0	621	621	N/A	\$0
1408	3	PUTNAM	N/A	NYC WATERSHED LANDS	2/2/2009	0	272	272	N/A	\$0
098.005	1	SUFFOLK	N/A	MANORVILLE PINE BARRENS	2/10/2009	64	0	64	N/A	\$3,780,000
1403	4	GREENE	N/A	NYC WATERSHED LANDS	2/14/2009	0	1101.79	1101.79	N/A	\$0
1409	3	ULSTER	N/A	NYC WATERSHED LANDS	2/18/2009	0	326.34	326.34	N/A	\$0
1408	4	DELAWARE	N/A	NYC WATERSHED LANDS	3/3/2009	0	390	390	N/A	\$0
1409	4	DELAWARE	N/A	NYC WATERSHED LANDS	3/3/2009	0	1608	1608	N/A	\$0
1402	3	SULLIVAN	N/A	NYC WATERSHED LANDS	3/11/2009	0	251.57	251.57	N/A	\$0
1407	3	PUTNAM	N/A	NYC WATERSHED LANDS	3/20/2009	0	469.66	469.66	N/A	\$0
1409	3	PUTNAM	N/A	NYC WATERSHED LANDS	3/20/2009	0	45	45	N/A	\$0
1410	4	DELAWARE	N/A	NYC WATERSHED LANDS	4/8/2009	0	2014	2014	N/A	\$0
1411	4	DELAWARE	N/A	NYC WATERSHED LANDS	4/8/2009	0	816	816	N/A	\$0
040.19	3	SULLIVAN	N/A	WILLOWEMOC CREEK	4/9/2009	0.81	0	0.81	N/A	\$0
042	7	TIOGA	N/A	LACLAIR	5/12/2009	15.95	0	15.95	N/A	\$0
175.06	4	DELAWARE	N/A	PRINCE HALL - DELAWARE RIVER TAILWATERS - GIFT	7/28/2009	264.92	0	264.92	N/A	\$0
113.01	9	CATTARAUGUS	N/A	GOODELL CREEK	8/13/2009	N/A	N/A	N/A	1.024	\$21,200
031.01	4	RENSSELAER	N/A	HOOSIC RIVER - GIFT	9/14/2009	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	\$0
031.02	4	RENSSELAER	N/A	HOOSIC RIVER - GIFT	9/14/2009	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.234	\$0
031.04	4	RENSSELAER	N/A	HOOSIC RIVER - GIFT	9/14/2009	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.062	\$0
056	7	TOMPKINS	N/A	CARTER/HARPER - Boundary Line Agreement	10/6/2009	0	0	0	N/A	\$0
108.2	6	LEWIS	N/A	MARK'S DIARY FARM - STATEWIDE SMALL PROJECTS -PFR	10/19/2009	0	0	0	0	\$0
467	5	ESSEX	N/A	VANDERWACKER - STATEWIDE SMALL PROJECTS - GIFT	10/23/2009	15.6	0	15.6	N/A	\$0
011.04	9	WYOMING	N/A	NORTH BRANCH WISCOY CREEK - STATEWIDE SMALL PROJECT	11/4/2009	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.608	\$17,200
023.01	3	DUTCHESS	N/A	TEN MILE RIVER	11/5/2009	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.516	\$0
056	9	ALLEGANY	N/A	WAG TRAIL - GIFT	11/6/2009	77.1	0	77.1	N/A	\$0
049	7	BROOME	N/A	SUSQUEHANNA RIVER - STATEWIDE SMALL PROJECTS - GIFT	12/15/2009	0.52	0	0.52	N/A	\$0
095.43	7	OSWEGO	N/A	SALMON RIVER CORRIDOR	12/28/2009	48	0	48	N/A	\$47,600
SUB TOTALS						774.40	9,547	10,321.8	2.444	\$4,694,500

2009 OPRHP Land Acquisition Report (23 Projects)

Project ID	OPRHP Region	Primary County	Park Name	Project Name	Recording Date	Acres Fee	Acres CE	Total Acres	Equivalent Miles	Total Cost
683	Finger Lakes	Cayuga	Fair Haven Beach	James Property	1/27/09	14.5	0	14.5	N/A	\$172,230
386	Long Island	Nassau	Wantaugh Pkwy	Tamburrino Land Exchange	1/29/09	0.0112	0	0.01	N/A	\$500
676	Taconic	Putnam	Fahnestock	Crawford	4/8/09	30	0	30.00	N/A	\$104,595
693	Palisades	Ulster	Minnewaska	Ulster County Tax Parcel	4/8/09	2.61	0	2.61	N/A	\$2,000
672	Saratoga	Albany	Unknown	Bentley / TNC	5/13/09	36.52	0	36.52	N/A	\$105,377
682	Finger Lakes	Chemung	Mark Twain SP	Walker	5/28/09	2.296	0	2.30	N/A	\$67,192
681	Taconic	Dutchess	Margaret Lewis Norrie	Glancey	6/4/09	4.6	0	4.60	N/A	\$129,950
599	Genesee	Monroe	Irondequoit Bay Marine	County of Monroe Transfer/Gift	6/10/09	9.14	0	9.14	N/A	\$4,700
732	Central	Onondaga	Unknown	Fayetteville Feeder Transfer	7/7/09	0.375	0	0.38	N/A	\$0
727	Central	Onondaga	Unknown	Fayetteville Transfer	7/14/09	18.75	0	18.75	N/A	\$0
670	Saratoga	Albany	Albany Pine Bush	Wells / TNC	7/14/09	30.309	0	30.31	N/A	\$472,950
686	Taconic	Columbia	Harlem Valley Rail Trail	Wright	7/31/09	4.7	0	4.70	N/A	\$40,107
696	Taconic	Dutchess	Margaret Lewis Norrie	Sabel Equities	8/4/09	1.21	0	1.21	N/A	\$49,520
646	Palisades	Ulster	Minnewaska	Cirucci	8/4/09	140	0	140.00	N/A	\$438,700
733	Taconic	Dutchess		Walkway over the Hudson/CSX	10/2/09	5.05	0	5.05	N/A	\$2,400
731	Finger Lakes	Steuben	Indian Hills Golf Course	Indian Hills Tax Parcel	10/28/09	0.23	0	0.23	N/A	\$930
729	Taconic	Columbia	Harlem Valley Rail Trail	HVRT Association Gift	11/13/09	145.55	0	145.55	N/A	\$0
81	Palisades	Rockland	Stony Point	Emanuel / Dos Santos	11/18/09	15.7	0	15.70	N/A	\$2,709,750
705	Finger Lakes	Tompkins	Robert H Treman	Nosewicz	11/24/09	28.7	0	28.70	N/A	\$165,101
680	Palisades	Ulster	Minnewaska	Glazer/OSI	12/1/09	95.85	0	95.85	N/A	\$118,333
688	Palisades	Ulster	Minnewaska	Rochester Reformed Church	12/1/09	108.14	0	108.14	N/A	\$117,063
734	Taconic	Columbia	Olana	Olana Historic Site	12/11/09	50.688	0	50.69	N/A	\$0
703	Finger Lakes	Livingston	Harriet Hollister Spencer	Bishop Trust/TNC	12/28/09	256	0	256.00	N/A	\$276,350

SUBTOTAL	1000.93	0	1,000.9	N/A	\$4,977,747
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	Acres Fee	Acres CE	Total Acres	Equivalent Miles	Total Cost
TOTAL	1,775	9,547	11,323	2.444	\$9,672,247