

ENVIRONMENT

RESOLUTION NO. 2016134

RE: SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING WITH RESPECT TO ACQUISITION OF AN AGRICULTURAL CONSERVATION EASEMENT ON THE STEEL FARM IN THE TOWN OF MILAN, DUTCHESS COUNTY, NEW YORK.

Legislators FORMAN, STRAWINSKI, WASHBURN, PULVER, SAGLIANO, INCORONATO, and HORTON offer the following and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, the County is considering a recommendation of the Dutchess County Planning Board (Resolution No. 01/2016) for an award in an amount not to exceed \$115,750.00 in grant funds available through the Dutchess County Partnership for Manageable Growth Grant Program (the "Program"), and

WHEREAS, this award shall be used to partially fund the purchase of an agricultural conservation easement, to be held by the Dutchess Land Conservancy, on approximately 87.48 acres of Property, known as the Steel Farm (Tax Grid Number: 133600-6472-00-816858) located on Milan Hill Road, in the Town of Milan, Dutchess County, New York, and

WHEREAS, as a result of the Dutchess Land Conservancy's organizing efforts and an application to the Program, New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets shall contribute up to \$325,950.00, Dutchess County shall contribute up to \$115,750, and the balance of the funding \$39,440.00 shall be contributed by the Dutchess Land Conservancy and donation by the landowner, towards the purchase of the agricultural conservation easement on the Property, for a total contribution of up to \$481,140.00, and

WHEREAS, the easement shall provide, among other things, that it shall be held by the Dutchess Land Conservancy, which shall assume primary responsibility to monitor and enforce the easement, and

WHEREAS, the Dutchess County Planning Board Resolution recommending acquisition of that conservation easement and a matching share Grant of up to \$115,750.00 through the Program is attached, and

WHEREAS, the Program and General Municipal Law §247 require a public hearing on the issue of County funding with respect to the easement before final authorization thereof, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that this Legislature shall conduct a public hearing on the 11<sup>TH</sup> day of July, 2016, at 7 P.M. in the Dutchess County Legislative Chambers, County Office Building, 22 Market Street, Poughkeepsie, New York, on the proposed award of up to \$115,750.00 in matching grant funds through the Dutchess County Partnership for Manageable Growth Program

to partially fund the purchase of an agricultural conservation easement, to be held by the Dutchess Land Conservancy, on approximately 87.48 acres of Property, known as the Steel Farm (Tax Grid Number : 133600-6472-00-816858) located on Milan Hill Road, in the Town of Milan, Dutchess County, New York, with additional funds from the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets in the amount of up to \$325,950 and the balance in the amount of \$39,440.00 shall be contributed by donation by the landowner and Dutchess Land Conservancy for a total contribution of \$481,140.00, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Legislature is directed and empowered to give notice of said hearing pursuant to law.

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Fiscal Impact: See attached statement

STATE OF NEW YORK

ss:

COUNTY OF DUTCHESS

This is to certify that I, the undersigned Clerk of the Legislature of the County of Dutchess have compared the foregoing resolution with the original resolution now on file in the office of said clerk, and which was adopted by said Legislature on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of June 2016, and that the same is a true and correct transcript of said original resolution and of the whole thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of said Legislature this 13<sup>th</sup> day of June 2016.

CAROLYN MORRIS, CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE

## FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

### APPROPRIATION RESOLUTIONS *(To be completed by requesting department)*

Total Current Year Cost \$ 0

Total Current Year Revenue \$ 0  
and Source

Source of County Funds *(check one)*:  Existing Appropriations,  Contingency,  
 Transfer of Existing Appropriations,  Additional Appropriations,  Other *(explain)*.

Identify Line Items(s):

H0400.8020.3006.7010 - Easement-Conservation Steel Farm  
H0476.8020.3006.7010 - Easement-Conservation Steel Farm

Related Expenses: Amount \$ 0

Nature/Reason:

Anticipated Savings to County: \$ 0

Net County Cost (this year): \$ 0  
Over Five Years: \$ 0

#### Additional Comments/Explanation:

The total cost of the Steel Farm acquisition is \$481,140. Primary funding of \$325,950 is to be provided by the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets and constitutes 67% of total project cost. The County's PMG grant of \$115,750 will provide approximately 24% of the total acquisition cost. The balance of project costs will be provided via landowner donation and Dutchess Land Conservancy funds.

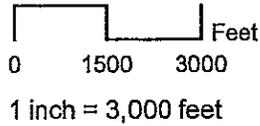
The source of County funds is Capital Account H0400 and H0476, bonds approved by Dutchess County Legislature Resolution No. 208206 and 2014323 to support the Partnership for Manageable Growth Open Space and Farmland Protection Matching Grant Program.

Prepared by: Brian Kehoe, Department of Planning and Development



# Steel (Great Song Farm) Property

475-479 Milan Hill Rd  
 Town of Milan  
 Dutchess County NY  
 May 9, 2016  
 Conservation Easement Area: +/- 87.48 Acres (per land survey)



**Context Map:  
Protected Land**

-  Property
-  Tax Parcels
-  DLC Easement
-  Other Organizations
-  Government

*Full Environmental Assessment Form  
Part I - Project and Setting*

**Instructions for Completing Part 1**

Part I is to be completed by the applicant or project sponsor. Responses become part of the application for approval or funding, are subject to public review, and may be subject to further verification.

Complete Part I based on information currently available. If additional research or investigation would be needed to fully respond to any item, please answer as thoroughly as possible based on current information; indicate whether missing information does not exist, or is not reasonably available to the sponsor; and, when possible, generally describe work or studies which would be necessary to update or fully develop that information.

Applicants/sponsors must complete all items in Sections A & B. In Sections C, D & E, most items contain an initial question that must be answered either "Yes" or "No". If the answer to the initial question is "Yes", complete the sub-questions that follow. If the answer to the initial question is "No", proceed to the next question. Section F allows the project sponsor to identify and attach any additional information. Section G requires the name and signature of the project sponsor to verify that the information contained in Part I is accurate and complete.

**A. Project and Sponsor Information.**

Name of Action or Project: Purchase of Development Rights on Farmland (Great Song Farm - Steel Property)		
Project Location (describe, and attach a general location map): Milan Hill Road, Town of Milan, Dutchess County (Great Song Farm) - Please see Location Map in Part C of application.		
Brief Description of Proposed Action (include purpose or need): Purchasing development rights/establishing a conservation easement to preserve 87 acres of working farmland in the Town of Milan.		
Name of Applicant/Sponsor: Dutchess Land Conservancy		Telephone: 845-677-3002 E-Mail:
Address: 4289 Route 82		
City/PO: Millbrook	State: NY	Zip Code: 12545
Project Contact (if not same as sponsor; give name and title/role): Karin Roux, Senior Land Projects Manager		Telephone: 845-677-3002 E-Mail: karinr@dutchessland.org
Address: 4289 Route 82		
City/PO: Millbrook	State: NY	Zip Code: 12545
Property Owner (if not same as sponsor): Laurence and Bettl Steel		Telephone: 917-699-6823 E-Mail: lsteel@hudsonvalleyrainbarrels.com
Address: 475-479 Milan Hill Road		
City/PO: Milan	State: New York	Zip Code: 12571

**B. Government Approvals**

B. Government Approvals, Funding, or Sponsorship. ("Funding" includes grants, loans, tax relief, and any other forms of financial assistance.)		
Government Entity	If Yes: Identify Agency and Approval(s) Required	Application Date (Actual or projected)
a. City Council, Town Board, <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No or Village Board of Trustees		
b. City, Town or Village Planning Board or Commission <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
c. City Council, Town or Village Zoning Board of Appeals <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
d. Other local agencies <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
e. County agencies <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Dutchess County Legislature	Application due 10/30/2015
f. Regional agencies <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
g. State agencies <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	NYS Ag & Markets - Farmland Protection Implementation Grant	Application due 01/29/2016
h. Federal agencies <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
i. Coastal Resources.		
i. Is the project site within a Coastal Area, or the waterfront area of a Designated Inland Waterway?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
ii. Is the project site located in a community with an approved Local Waterfront Revitalization Program?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
iii. Is the project site within a Coastal Erosion Hazard Area?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

**C. Planning and Zoning**

<b>C.1. Planning and zoning actions.</b>	
Will administrative or legislative adoption, or amendment of a plan, local law, ordinance, rule or regulation be the only approval(s) which must be granted to enable the proposed action to proceed?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If Yes, complete sections C, F and G.</li> <li>If No, proceed to question C.2 and complete all remaining sections and questions in Part I</li> </ul>	
<b>C.2. Adopted land use plans.</b>	
a. Do any municipally- adopted (city, town, village or county) comprehensive land use plan(s) include the site where the proposed action would be located?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If Yes, does the comprehensive plan include specific recommendations for the site where the proposed action would be located?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
b. Is the site of the proposed action within any local or regional special planning district (for example: Greenway Brownfield Opportunity Area (BOA); designated State or Federal heritage area; watershed management plan; or other?)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
If Yes, identify the plan(s): <u>Dutchess County Greenway Compact Community, Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area</u> _____ _____	
c. Is the proposed action located wholly or partially within an area listed in an adopted municipal open space plan, or an adopted municipal farmland protection plan?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If Yes, identify the plan(s): _____ _____ _____	

**C.3. Zoning**

a. Is the site of the proposed action located in a municipality with an adopted zoning law or ordinance.  Yes  No  
 If Yes, what is the zoning classification(s) including any applicable overlay district?  
A3A Agricultural

b. Is the use permitted or allowed by a special or conditional use permit?  Yes  No

c. Is a zoning change requested as part of the proposed action?  Yes  No  
 If Yes,  
 i. What is the proposed new zoning for the site? \_\_\_\_\_

**C.4. Existing community services.**

a. In what school district is the project site located? Red Hook Central School District

b. What police or other public protection forces serve the project site?  
Dutchess County Sheriff and New York State Police

c. Which fire protection and emergency medical services serve the project site?  
MILAN FIRE DEPARTMENT ST. 1

d. What parks serve the project site?  
Milan Recreation Park, Wilcox Memorial Park, Lafayetteville State Multiple Use Area, Roeliff-Jansen Kill State Multiple Use Area

**D. Project Details**

**D.1. Proposed and Potential Development**

a. What is the general nature of the proposed action (e.g., residential, industrial, commercial, recreational; if mixed, include all components)? Conservation Easement for Farmland Protection

b. a. Total acreage of the site of the proposed action? \_\_\_\_\_ 87 acres  
 b. Total acreage to be physically disturbed? \_\_\_\_\_ none acres  
 c. Total acreage (project site and any contiguous properties) owned or controlled by the applicant or project sponsor? \_\_\_\_\_ 87 acres

c. Is the proposed action an expansion of an existing project or use?  Yes  No  
 i. If Yes, what is the approximate percentage of the proposed expansion and identify the units (e.g., acres, miles, housing units, square feet)? % \_\_\_\_\_ Units: \_\_\_\_\_

d. Is the proposed action a subdivision, or does it include a subdivision?  Yes  No  
 If Yes,  
 i. Purpose or type of subdivision? (e.g., residential, industrial, commercial; if mixed, specify types) \_\_\_\_\_  
 ii. Is a cluster/conservation layout proposed?  Yes  No  
 iii. Number of lots proposed? \_\_\_\_\_  
 iv. Minimum and maximum proposed lot sizes? Minimum \_\_\_\_\_ Maximum \_\_\_\_\_

e. Will proposed action be constructed in multiple phases?  Yes  No  
 i. If No, anticipated period of construction: \_\_\_\_\_ months  
 ii. If Yes:  
 • Total number of phases anticipated \_\_\_\_\_  
 • Anticipated commencement date of phase I (including demolition) \_\_\_\_\_ month \_\_\_\_\_ year  
 • Anticipated completion date of final phase \_\_\_\_\_ month \_\_\_\_\_ year  
 • Generally describe connections or relationships among phases, including any contingencies where progress of one phase may determine timing or duration of future phases: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

f. Does the project include new residential uses?  Yes  No  
 If Yes, show numbers of units proposed.

	One Family	Two Family	Three Family	Multiple Family (four or more)
Initial Phase	_____	_____	_____	_____
At completion of all phases	_____	_____	_____	_____

g. Does the proposed action include new non-residential construction (including expansions)?  Yes  No  
 If Yes,  
 i. Total number of structures \_\_\_\_\_  
 ii. Dimensions (in feet) of largest proposed structure: \_\_\_\_\_ height; \_\_\_\_\_ width; and \_\_\_\_\_ length  
 iii. Approximate extent of building space to be heated or cooled: \_\_\_\_\_ square feet

h. Does the proposed action include construction or other activities that will result in the impoundment of any liquids, such as creation of a water supply, reservoir, pond, lake, waste lagoon or other storage?  Yes  No  
 If Yes,  
 i. Purpose of the impoundment: \_\_\_\_\_  
 ii. If a water impoundment, the principal source of the water:  Ground water  Surface water streams  Other specify: \_\_\_\_\_  
 iii. If other than water, identify the type of impounded/contained liquids and their source. \_\_\_\_\_  
 iv. Approximate size of the proposed impoundment. Volume: \_\_\_\_\_ million gallons; surface area: \_\_\_\_\_ acres  
 v. Dimensions of the proposed dam or impounding structure: \_\_\_\_\_ height; \_\_\_\_\_ length  
 vi. Construction method/materials for the proposed dam or impounding structure (e.g., earth fill, rock, wood, concrete): \_\_\_\_\_

**D.2. Project Operations**

a. Does the proposed action include any excavation, mining, or dredging, during construction, operations, or both?  Yes  No  
 (Not including general site preparation, grading or installation of utilities or foundations where all excavated materials will remain onsite)  
 If Yes:  
 i. What is the purpose of the excavation or dredging? \_\_\_\_\_  
 ii. How much material (including rock, earth, sediments, etc.) is proposed to be removed from the site?  
 • Volume (specify tons or cubic yards): \_\_\_\_\_  
 • Over what duration of time? \_\_\_\_\_  
 iii. Describe nature and characteristics of materials to be excavated or dredged, and plans to use, manage or dispose of them. \_\_\_\_\_  
 iv. Will there be onsite dewatering or processing of excavated materials?  Yes  No  
 If yes, describe. \_\_\_\_\_  
 v. What is the total area to be dredged or excavated? \_\_\_\_\_ acres  
 vi. What is the maximum area to be worked at any one time? \_\_\_\_\_ acres  
 vii. What would be the maximum depth of excavation or dredging? \_\_\_\_\_ feet  
 viii. Will the excavation require blasting?  Yes  No  
 ix. Summarize site reclamation goals and plan: \_\_\_\_\_

b. Would the proposed action cause or result in alteration of, increase or decrease in size of, or encroachment into any existing wetland, waterbody, shoreline, beach or adjacent area?  Yes  No  
 If Yes:  
 i. Identify the wetland or waterbody which would be affected (by name, water index number, wetland map number or geographic description): \_\_\_\_\_

ii. Describe how the proposed action would affect that waterbody or wetland, e.g. excavation, fill, placement of structures, or alteration of channels, banks and shorelines. Indicate extent of activities, alterations and additions in square feet or acres:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

iii. Will proposed action cause or result in disturbance to bottom sediments?  Yes  No

If Yes, describe: \_\_\_\_\_

iv. Will proposed action cause or result in the destruction or removal of aquatic vegetation?  Yes  No

If Yes:

- acres of aquatic vegetation proposed to be removed: \_\_\_\_\_
- expected acreage of aquatic vegetation remaining after project completion: \_\_\_\_\_
- purpose of proposed removal (e.g. beach clearing, invasive species control, boat access): \_\_\_\_\_
  
- proposed method of plant removal: \_\_\_\_\_
- if chemical/herbicide treatment will be used, specify product(s): \_\_\_\_\_

v. Describe any proposed reclamation/mitigation following disturbance: \_\_\_\_\_

c. Will the proposed action use, or create a new demand for water?  Yes  No

If Yes:

i. Total anticipated water usage/demand per day: \_\_\_\_\_ gallons/day

ii. Will the proposed action obtain water from an existing public water supply?  Yes  No

If Yes:

- Name of district or service area: \_\_\_\_\_
- Does the existing public water supply have capacity to serve the proposal?  Yes  No
- Is the project site in the existing district?  Yes  No
- Is expansion of the district needed?  Yes  No
- Do existing lines serve the project site?  Yes  No

iii. Will line extension within an existing district be necessary to supply the project?  Yes  No

If Yes:

- Describe extensions or capacity expansions proposed to serve this project: \_\_\_\_\_
- Source(s) of supply for the district: \_\_\_\_\_

iv. Is a new water supply district or service area proposed to be formed to serve the project site?  Yes  No

If Yes:

- Applicant/sponsor for new district: \_\_\_\_\_
- Date application submitted or anticipated: \_\_\_\_\_
- Proposed source(s) of supply for new district: \_\_\_\_\_

v. If a public water supply will not be used, describe plans to provide water supply for the project: \_\_\_\_\_

vi. If water supply will be from wells (public or private), maximum pumping capacity: \_\_\_\_\_ gallons/minute.

d. Will the proposed action generate liquid wastes?  Yes  No

If Yes:

i. Total anticipated liquid waste generation per day: \_\_\_\_\_ gallons/day

ii. Nature of liquid wastes to be generated (e.g., sanitary wastewater, industrial; if combination, describe all components and approximate volumes or proportions of each): \_\_\_\_\_

iii. Will the proposed action use any existing public wastewater treatment facilities?  Yes  No

If Yes:

- Name of wastewater treatment plant to be used: \_\_\_\_\_
- Name of district: \_\_\_\_\_
- Does the existing wastewater treatment plant have capacity to serve the project?  Yes  No
- Is the project site in the existing district?  Yes  No
- Is expansion of the district needed?  Yes  No

- Do existing sewer lines serve the project site?  Yes  No
  - Will line extension within an existing district be necessary to serve the project?  Yes  No
- If Yes:
- Describe extensions or capacity expansions proposed to serve this project: \_\_\_\_\_

iv. Will a new wastewater (sewage) treatment district be formed to serve the project site?  Yes  No

- If Yes:
- Applicant/sponsor for new district: \_\_\_\_\_
  - Date application submitted or anticipated: \_\_\_\_\_
  - What is the receiving water for the wastewater discharge? \_\_\_\_\_

v. If public facilities will not be used, describe plans to provide wastewater treatment for the project, including specifying proposed receiving water (name and classification if surface discharge, or describe subsurface disposal plans):

\_\_\_\_\_

vi. Describe any plans or designs to capture, recycle or reuse liquid waste: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

e. Will the proposed action disturb more than one acre and create stormwater runoff, either from new point sources (i.e. ditches, pipes, swales, curbs, gutters or other concentrated flows of stormwater) or non-point source (i.e. sheet flow) during construction or post construction?  Yes  No

- If Yes:
- i. How much impervious surface will the project create in relation to total size of project parcel?
    - \_\_\_\_\_ Square feet or \_\_\_\_\_ acres (impervious surface)
    - \_\_\_\_\_ Square feet or \_\_\_\_\_ acres (parcel size)
  - ii. Describe types of new point sources. \_\_\_\_\_

iii. Where will the stormwater runoff be directed (i.e. on-site stormwater management facility/structures, adjacent properties, groundwater, on-site surface water or off-site surface waters)?

\_\_\_\_\_

- If to surface waters, identify receiving water bodies or wetlands: \_\_\_\_\_

- Will stormwater runoff flow to adjacent properties?  Yes  No

iv. Does proposed plan minimize impervious surfaces, use pervious materials or collect and re-use stormwater?  Yes  No

f. Does the proposed action include, or will it use on-site, one or more sources of air emissions, including fuel combustion, waste incineration, or other processes or operations?  Yes  No

- If Yes, identify:
- i. Mobile sources during project operations (e.g., heavy equipment, fleet or delivery vehicles)
  - ii. Stationary sources during construction (e.g., power generation, structural heating, batch plant, crushers)
  - iii. Stationary sources during operations (e.g., process emissions, large boilers, electric generation)

g. Will any air emission sources named in D.2.f (above), require a NY State Air Registration, Air Facility Permit, or Federal Clean Air Act Title IV or Title V Permit?  Yes  No

- If Yes:
- i. Is the project site located in an Air quality non-attainment area? (Area routinely or periodically fails to meet ambient air quality standards for all or some parts of the year)  Yes  No
  - ii. In addition to emissions as calculated in the application, the project will generate:
    - \_\_\_\_\_ Tons/year (short tons) of Carbon Dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>)
    - \_\_\_\_\_ Tons/year (short tons) of Nitrous Oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O)
    - \_\_\_\_\_ Tons/year (short tons) of Perfluorocarbons (PFCs)
    - \_\_\_\_\_ Tons/year (short tons) of Sulfur Hexafluoride (SF<sub>6</sub>)
    - \_\_\_\_\_ Tons/year (short tons) of Carbon Dioxide equivalent of Hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs)
    - \_\_\_\_\_ Tons/year (short tons) of Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs)

h. Will the proposed action generate or emit methane (including, but not limited to, sewage treatment plants, landfills, composting facilities)?  Yes  No

If Yes:

- i. Estimate methane generation in tons/year (metric): \_\_\_\_\_  
ii. Describe any methane capture, control or elimination measures included in project design (e.g., combustion to generate heat or electricity, flaring): \_\_\_\_\_

i. Will the proposed action result in the release of air pollutants from open-air operations or processes, such as quarry or landfill operations?  Yes  No

If Yes: Describe operations and nature of emissions (e.g., diesel exhaust, rock particulates/dust): \_\_\_\_\_

j. Will the proposed action result in a substantial increase in traffic above present levels or generate substantial new demand for transportation facilities or services?  Yes  No

If Yes:

- i. When is the peak traffic expected (Check all that apply):  Morning  Evening  Weekend  
 Randomly between hours of \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
ii. For commercial activities only, projected number of semi-trailer truck trips/day: \_\_\_\_\_  
iii. Parking spaces: Existing \_\_\_\_\_ Proposed \_\_\_\_\_ Net increase/decrease \_\_\_\_\_  
iv. Does the proposed action include any shared use parking?  Yes  No  
v. If the proposed action includes any modification of existing roads, creation of new roads or change in existing access, describe: \_\_\_\_\_

vi. Are public/private transportation service(s) or facilities available within 1/2 mile of the proposed site?  Yes  No

vii. Will the proposed action include access to public transportation or accommodations for use of hybrid, electric or other alternative fueled vehicles?  Yes  No

viii. Will the proposed action include plans for pedestrian or bicycle accommodations for connections to existing pedestrian or bicycle routes?  Yes  No

k. Will the proposed action (for commercial or industrial projects only) generate new or additional demand for energy?  Yes  No

If Yes:

- i. Estimate annual electricity demand during operation of the proposed action: \_\_\_\_\_  
ii. Anticipated sources/suppliers of electricity for the project (e.g., on-site combustion, on-site renewable, via grid/local utility, or other): \_\_\_\_\_

iii. Will the proposed action require a new, or an upgrade to, an existing substation?  Yes  No

l. Hours of operation. Answer all items which apply.

i. During Construction:

- Monday - Friday: \_\_\_\_\_ not applicable
- Saturday: \_\_\_\_\_
- Sunday: \_\_\_\_\_
- Holidays: \_\_\_\_\_

ii. During Operations:

- Monday - Friday: \_\_\_\_\_ not applicable
- Saturday: \_\_\_\_\_
- Sunday: \_\_\_\_\_
- Holidays: \_\_\_\_\_

m. Will the proposed action produce noise that will exceed existing ambient noise levels during construction, operation, or both?  Yes  No  
 If yes:  
 i. Provide details including sources, time of day and duration:  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

ii. Will proposed action remove existing natural barriers that could act as a noise barrier or screen?  Yes  No  
 Describe: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

n.. Will the proposed action have outdoor lighting?  Yes  No  
 If yes:  
 i. Describe source(s), location(s), height of fixture(s), direction/aim, and proximity to nearest occupied structures:  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

ii. Will proposed action remove existing natural barriers that could act as a light barrier or screen?  Yes  No  
 Describe: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

o. Does the proposed action have the potential to produce odors for more than one hour per day?  Yes  No  
 If Yes, describe possible sources, potential frequency and duration of odor emissions, and proximity to nearest occupied structures:  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

p. Will the proposed action include any bulk storage of petroleum (combined capacity of over 1,100 gallons) or chemical products 185 gallons in above ground storage or any amount in underground storage?  Yes  No  
 If Yes:  
 i. Product(s) to be stored \_\_\_\_\_  
 ii. Volume(s) \_\_\_\_\_ per unit time \_\_\_\_\_ (e.g., month, year)  
 iii. Generally describe proposed storage facilities: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

q. Will the proposed action (commercial, industrial and recreational projects only) use pesticides (i.e., herbicides, insecticides) during construction or operation?  Yes  No  
 If Yes:  
 i. Describe proposed treatment(s):  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

ii. Will the proposed action use Integrated Pest Management Practices?  Yes  No

r. Will the proposed action (commercial or industrial projects only) involve or require the management or disposal of solid waste (excluding hazardous materials)?  Yes  No  
 If Yes:  
 i. Describe any solid waste(s) to be generated during construction or operation of the facility:  
 • Construction: \_\_\_\_\_ tons per \_\_\_\_\_ (unit of time)  
 • Operation : \_\_\_\_\_ tons per \_\_\_\_\_ (unit of time)  
 ii. Describe any proposals for on-site minimization, recycling or reuse of materials to avoid disposal as solid waste:  
 • Construction: \_\_\_\_\_  
 • Operation: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

iii. Proposed disposal methods/facilities for solid waste generated on-site:  
 • Construction: \_\_\_\_\_  
 • Operation: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

s. Does the proposed action include construction or modification of a solid waste management facility?  Yes  No

If Yes:

i. Type of management or handling of waste proposed for the site (e.g., recycling or transfer station, composting, landfill, or other disposal activities): \_\_\_\_\_

ii. Anticipated rate of disposal/processing:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Tons/month, if transfer or other non-combustion/thermal treatment, or
- \_\_\_\_\_ Tons/hour, if combustion or thermal treatment

iii. If landfill, anticipated site life: \_\_\_\_\_ years

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t. Will proposed action at the site involve the commercial generation, treatment, storage, or disposal of hazardous waste?  Yes  No

If Yes:

i. Name(s) of all hazardous wastes or constituents to be generated, handled or managed at facility: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

ii. Generally describe processes or activities involving hazardous wastes or constituents: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

iii. Specify amount to be handled or generated \_\_\_\_\_ tons/month

iv. Describe any proposals for on-site minimization, recycling or reuse of hazardous constituents: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

v. Will any hazardous wastes be disposed at an existing offsite hazardous waste facility?  Yes  No

If Yes: provide name and location of facility: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

If No: describe proposed management of any hazardous wastes which will not be sent to a hazardous waste facility: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**E. Site and Setting of Proposed Action**

**E.1. Land uses on and surrounding the project site**

a. Existing land uses.

i. Check all uses that occur on, adjoining and near the project site.

Urban  Industrial  Commercial  Residential (suburban)  Rural (non-farm)

Forest  Agriculture  Aquatic  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

ii. If mix of uses, generally describe: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

b. Land uses and covertypes on the project site.

Land use or Covertypes	Current Acreage	Acreage After Project Completion	Change (Acres +/-)
• Roads, buildings, and other paved or impervious surfaces	less than 1	less than 1	none
• Forested	52	52	none
• Meadows, grasslands or brushlands (non-agricultural, including abandoned agricultural)			
• Agricultural (includes active orchards, field, greenhouse etc.)	43	43	none
• Surface water features (lakes, ponds, streams, rivers, etc.)	610 feet stream	610 feet stream	none
• Wetlands (freshwater or tidal)	4	4	none
• Non-vegetated (bare rock, earth or fill)	0	0	none
• Other Describe: <u>some of the woodlands are used as part of the agricultural operation</u>			

c. Is the project site presently used by members of the community for public recreation?  Yes  No  
 i. If Yes: explain: \_\_\_\_\_

d. Are there any facilities serving children, the elderly, people with disabilities (e.g., schools, hospitals, licensed day care centers, or group homes) within 1500 feet of the project site?  Yes  No  
 If Yes,  
 i. Identify Facilities: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

e. Does the project site contain an existing dam?  Yes  No  
 If Yes:  
 i. Dimensions of the dam and impoundment:  
 • Dam height: \_\_\_\_\_ feet  
 • Dam length: \_\_\_\_\_ feet  
 • Surface area: \_\_\_\_\_ acres  
 • Volume impounded: \_\_\_\_\_ gallons OR acre-feet  
 ii. Dam's existing hazard classification: \_\_\_\_\_  
 iii. Provide date and summarize results of last inspection: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

f. Has the project site ever been used as a municipal, commercial or industrial solid waste management facility, or does the project site adjoin property which is now, or was at one time, used as a solid waste management facility?  Yes  No  
 If Yes:  
 i. Has the facility been formally closed?  Yes  No  
 • If yes, cite sources/documentation: \_\_\_\_\_  
 ii. Describe the location of the project site relative to the boundaries of the solid waste management facility: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 iii. Describe any development constraints due to the prior solid waste activities: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

g. Have hazardous wastes been generated, treated and/or disposed of at the site, or does the project site adjoin property which is now or was at one time used to commercially treat, store and/or dispose of hazardous waste?  Yes  No  
 If Yes:  
 i. Describe waste(s) handled and waste management activities, including approximate time when activities occurred: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

h. Potential contamination history. Has there been a reported spill at the proposed project site, or have any remedial actions been conducted at or adjacent to the proposed site?  Yes  No  
 If Yes:  
 i. Is any portion of the site listed on the NYSDEC Spills Incidents database or Environmental Site Remediation database? Check all that apply:  Yes  No  
 Yes – Spills Incidents database Provide DEC ID number(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Yes – Environmental Site Remediation database Provide DEC ID number(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Neither database  
 ii. If site has been subject of RCRA corrective activities, describe control measures: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 iii. Is the project within 2000 feet of any site in the NYSDEC Environmental Site Remediation database?  Yes  No  
 If yes, provide DEC ID number(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
 iv. If yes to (i), (ii) or (iii) above, describe current status of site(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

v. Is the project site subject to an institutional control limiting property uses?  Yes  No

- If yes, DEC site ID number: \_\_\_\_\_
- Describe the type of institutional control (e.g., deed restriction or easement): \_\_\_\_\_
- Describe any use limitations: \_\_\_\_\_
- Describe any engineering controls: \_\_\_\_\_
- Will the project affect the institutional or engineering controls in place?  Yes  No
- Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

**E.2. Natural Resources On or Near Project Site**

a. What is the average depth to bedrock on the project site? \_\_\_\_\_ unknown feet

b. Are there bedrock outcroppings on the project site?  Yes  No  
 If Yes, what proportion of the site is comprised of bedrock outcroppings? \_\_\_\_\_ %

c. Predominant soil type(s) present on project site:

Dutchess Cardigan	46 %
Georgia Silt	9 %
Sun silt loam	15 %

d. What is the average depth to the water table on the project site? Average: \_\_\_\_\_ unknown feet

e. Drainage status of project site soils:

- Well Drained: \_\_\_\_\_ 23 % of site
- Moderately Well Drained: \_\_\_\_\_ 49 % of site
- Poorly Drained \_\_\_\_\_ 28 % of site

f. Approximate proportion of proposed action site with slopes:

- 0-10%: \_\_\_\_\_ 65 % of site
- 10-15%: \_\_\_\_\_ 1 % of site
- 15% or greater: \_\_\_\_\_ 34 % of site

g. Are there any unique geologic features on the project site?  Yes  No  
 If Yes, describe: \_\_\_\_\_

**h. Surface water features.**

i. Does any portion of the project site contain wetlands or other waterbodies (including streams, rivers, ponds or lakes)?  Yes  No

ii. Do any wetlands or other waterbodies adjoin the project site?  Yes  No

If Yes to either i or ii, continue. If No, skip to E.2.i.  
 iii. Are any of the wetlands or waterbodies within or adjoining the project site regulated by any federal, state or local agency?  Yes  No

iv. For each identified regulated wetland and waterbody on the project site, provide the following information:

- Streams: Name Tributary to Saw Kill Classification C
- Lakes or Ponds: Name \_\_\_\_\_ Classification \_\_\_\_\_
- Wetlands: Name NWI Approximate Size 4 acres
- Wetland No. (if regulated by DEC) \_\_\_\_\_

v. Are any of the above water bodies listed in the most recent compilation of NYS water quality-impaired waterbodies?  Yes  No  
 If yes, name of impaired water body/bodies and basis for listing as impaired: \_\_\_\_\_

i. Is the project site in a designated Floodway?  Yes  No

j. Is the project site in the 100 year Floodplain?  Yes  No

k. Is the project site in the 500 year Floodplain?  Yes  No

l. Is the project site located over, or immediately adjoining, a primary, principal or sole source aquifer?  Yes  No  
 If Yes:  
 i. Name of aquifer: \_\_\_\_\_

m. Identify the predominant wildlife species that occupy or use the project site: \_\_\_\_\_  
 white tail deer \_\_\_\_\_ turkey \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

n. Does the project site contain a designated significant natural community?  Yes  No  
 If Yes:  
 i. Describe the habitat/community (composition, function, and basis for designation): \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 ii. Source(s) of description or evaluation: \_\_\_\_\_  
 iii. Extent of community/habitat:  
 • Currently: \_\_\_\_\_ acres  
 • Following completion of project as proposed: \_\_\_\_\_ acres  
 • Gain or loss (indicate + or -): \_\_\_\_\_ acres

o. Does project site contain any species of plant or animal that is listed by the federal government or NYS as endangered or threatened, or does it contain any areas identified as habitat for an endangered or threatened species?  Yes  No

p. Does the project site contain any species of plant or animal that is listed by NYS as rare, or as a species of special concern?  Yes  No

q. Is the project site or adjoining area currently used for hunting, trapping, fishing or shell fishing?  Yes  No  
 If yes, give a brief description of how the proposed action may affect that use: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**E.3. Designated Public Resources On or Near Project Site**

a. Is the project site, or any portion of it, located in a designated agricultural district certified pursuant to Agriculture and Markets Law, Article 25-AA, Section 303 and 304?  Yes  No  
 If Yes, provide county plus district name/number: #20 \_\_\_\_\_

b. Are agricultural lands consisting of highly productive soils present?  Yes  No  
 i. If Yes: acreage(s) on project site? 63 acres  
 ii. Source(s) of soil rating(s): USDA \_\_\_\_\_

c. Does the project site contain all or part of, or is it substantially contiguous to, a registered National Natural Landmark?  Yes  No  
 If Yes:  
 i. Nature of the natural landmark:  Biological Community  Geological Feature  
 ii. Provide brief description of landmark, including values behind designation and approximate size/extent: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

d. Is the project site located in or does it adjoin a state listed Critical Environmental Area?  Yes  No  
 If Yes:  
 i. CEA name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 ii. Basis for designation: \_\_\_\_\_  
 iii. Designating agency and date: \_\_\_\_\_

e. Does the project site contain, or is it substantially contiguous to, a building, archaeological site, or district which is listed on, or has been nominated by the NYS Board of Historic Preservation for inclusion on, the State or National Register of Historic Places?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
If Yes:	
<i>i.</i> Nature of historic/archaeological resource: <input type="checkbox"/> Archaeological Site <input type="checkbox"/> Historic Building or District	
<i>ii.</i> Name: _____	
<i>iii.</i> Brief description of attributes on which listing is based: _____	
f. Is the project site, or any portion of it, located in or adjacent to an area designated as sensitive for archaeological sites on the NY State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) archaeological site inventory?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
g. Have additional archaeological or historic site(s) or resources been identified on the project site?	
If Yes:	
<i>i.</i> Describe possible resource(s): _____	
<i>ii.</i> Basis for identification: _____	
h. Is the project site within five miles of any officially designated and publicly accessible federal, state, or local scenic or aesthetic resource?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
If Yes:	
<i>i.</i> Identify resource: _____	
<i>ii.</i> Nature of, or basis for, designation (e.g., established highway overlook, state or local park, state historic trail or scenic byway, etc.): _____	
<i>iii.</i> Distance between project and resource: _____ miles.	
i. Is the project site located within a designated river corridor under the Wild, Scenic and Recreational Rivers Program 6 NYCRR 666?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
If Yes:	
<i>i.</i> Identify the name of the river and its designation: _____	
<i>ii.</i> Is the activity consistent with development restrictions contained in 6 NYCRR Part 666?	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

**F. Additional Information**

Attach any additional information which may be needed to clarify your project.

If you have identified any adverse impacts which could be associated with your proposal, please describe those impacts plus any measures which you propose to avoid or minimize them.

**G. Verification**

I certify that the information provided is true to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant/Sponsor Name Dutchess Land Conservancy Date 10/30/2015

Signature  Title Senior Land Projects Manager

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Proposed Legislation

McKinney's Consolidated Laws of New York Annotated  
General Municipal Law (Refs & Annos)  
Chapter 24. Of the Consolidated Laws  
Article 13. Playgrounds and Neighborhood Recreation Centers (Refs & Annos)

McKinney's General Municipal Law § 247

§ 247. Acquisition of open spaces and areas

Currentness

1. Definitions. For the purposes of this chapter an "open space" or "open area" is any space or area characterized by (1) natural scenic beauty or, (2) whose existing openness, natural condition, or present state of use, if retained, would enhance the present or potential value of abutting or surrounding urban development, or would maintain or enhance the conservation of natural or scenic resources. For purposes of this section natural resources shall include but not be limited to agricultural lands defined as open lands actually used in bona fide agricultural production.

2. The acquisition of interests or rights in real property for the preservation of open spaces and areas shall constitute a public purpose for which public funds may be expended or advanced, and any county, city, town or village after due notice and a public hearing may acquire, by purchase, gift, grant, bequest, devise, lease or otherwise, the fee or any lesser interest, development right, easement, covenant, or other contractual right necessary to achieve the purposes of this chapter, to land within such municipality. In the case of a village the cost of such acquisition of interests or rights may be incurred wholly at the expense of the village, at the expense of the owners of the lands benefited thereby, or partly at the expense of such owners and partly at the expense of the village at large as a local improvement in the manner provided by article twenty-two in the village law entitled local improvements.

3. After acquisition of any such interest pursuant to this act the valuation placed on such an open space or area for purposes of real estate taxation shall take into account and be limited by the limitation on future use of the land.

4. For purposes of this section, any interest acquired pursuant to this section is hereby enforceable by and against the original parties and the successors in interest, heirs and assigns of the original parties, provided that a record of such acquisition is filed in the manner provided by section two hundred ninety-one of the real property law. Such enforceability shall not be defeated because of any subsequent adverse possession, laches, estoppel, waiver, change in character of the surrounding neighborhood or any rule of common law. No general law of the state which operates to defeat the enforcement of any interest in real property shall operate to defeat the enforcement of any acquisition pursuant to this section, unless such general law expressly states the intent to defeat the enforcement of any acquisition pursuant to this section.

**Credits**

(Added L.1960, c. 945, § 2. Amended L.1963, c. 736, § 1; L.1969, c. 996, § 1; L.1972, c. 892, § 26; L.1977, c. 964, § 1.)

McKinney's General Municipal Law § 247, NY GEN MUN § 247

Current through L.2016, chapters 1 to 34, 50 to 60.