

## **RESOLUTION 2007- 8**

### **NEW JERSEY HIGHLANDS WATER PROTECTION AND PLANNING COUNCIL EXTENSION OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

**WHEREAS**, the Highlands Water Protection and Planning Act (Highlands Act) has created a public body corporate and politic with corporate succession known as the Highlands Water Protection and Planning Council (Highlands Council); and

**WHEREAS**, Sections 8 and 10 of the Highlands Act mandate that the Highlands Council prepare and adopt a Regional Master Plan with the goal of protecting and enhancing the significant values of the resources in the Highlands Region; and

**WHEREAS**, the Highlands Council has prepared a draft Regional Master Plan and supporting technical reports and guidelines; and

**WHEREAS**, on November 30, 2006, the Highlands Council adopted Resolution 2006-30 and thereby authorizing the Executive Director to publicly release the draft Regional Master Plan for public review and comment, publicly release the supporting technical reports and guidelines as these documents are completed, and issue a public notice and schedule for public hearings for public comment on the draft Regional Master Plan and the Council's technical reports; and

**WHEREAS**, the Executive Director issued public notice providing that the public comment period would expire on January 28, 2007 and this was subsequently extended to March 2, 2007; and

**WHEREAS**, more than twenty-five requests have been presented to the Highlands Council seeking a further extension of the public comment period, including requests submitted by representatives of all of the seven Highlands counties; and

**WHEREAS**, on February 9, 2007, the Plan Development and Local Conformance Committee considered the request for an additional extension of time and approved a recommendation to extend the comment period to April 2, 2007 for public comment on the draft Regional Master Plan and the Council's technical reports; and

**WHEREAS**, the Plan Development and Local Conformance Committee recognized that the extension of the comment period will provide more than sixty days to review and comment upon all of the technical reports released by the Highlands Council and more that one hundred and twenty days to review and comment upon the draft Regional Master Plan; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Highlands Council that the public comment period shall be extended to April 2, 2007, to ensure that the public is provided sufficient time to comment on the draft Regional Master Plan and the Council's technical reports.

### **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Highlands Council at its regular meeting held on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2007.

John Weingart, Chairman

Vote this Resolution

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