

RESOLUTION 2007- 9
NEW JERSEY HIGHLANDS WATER PROTECTION AND PLANNING COUNCIL
ESTABLISHMENT OF A HIGHLANDS TDR RECEIVING ZONE
FEASIBILITY GRANT PROGRAM

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, Section 13.a of the Highlands Act mandates that the Highlands Council establish a Transfer of Development Rights (TDR) Program for the entire Highlands Region; and

WHEREAS, Section 13.e of the Highlands Act directs the Highlands Council to assist municipalities in analyzing the capacity of potential voluntary receiving zones that may participate in the Highlands TDR Program; and

WHEREAS, Sections 13.k and l, and 18.b authorize the Highlands Council to provide grants to municipalities to assist them in the implementation of the TDR program; and

WHEREAS, Highlands Council staff has recommended development of a Highlands TDR Receiving Zone Feasibility Grant Program in the amount of \$1 million that will provide financial and technical assistance to municipalities wishing to explore the potential for designating and establishing a receiving zone within their jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the parameters for the Receiving Zone Feasibility Grant Program have been reviewed and approved by the Plan Development Committee on March 19, 2007; and

WHEREAS, the Budget and Finance Committee has reviewed and approved the establishment of a \$1 million Receiving Zone Feasibility Grant Program on March 19, 2007; and

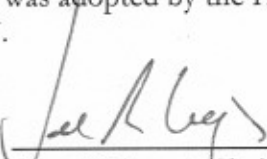
WHEREAS, the Highlands Council established the TDR Committee as a standing committee in order to assist the Highlands Council and this Committee recommends the approval of the Receiving Zone Feasibility Grant Program to assist in the development of the Highlands TDR Program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Highlands Council:

1. That the TDR Committee is hereby authorized to develop and implement a process for the solicitation and distribution of grants and other support to municipalities within the seven Highlands counties in furtherance of the development of Highlands TDR Program, in an annual amount not to exceed \$1,000,000; and
2. That the Budget and Finance Committee is hereby authorized to review the proposed grants awards confirming the availability of funds for payment; and
3. The TDR Committee and the Budget and Finance Committee shall report their recommendations to the Highlands Council for final grant award decisions.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Highlands Council at its regular meeting held on the 22nd day of March, 2007.


John Weingart, Chairman

Vote on this Resolution

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Recuse</u>
Council Member Alstede	<u>✓</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>✓</u>	<u> </u>
Council Member Calabrese	<u>✓</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Council Member Carluccio	<u>✓</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Council Member Dillingham	<u>✓</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Council Member Kovach	<u>✓</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Council Member Letts	<u>✓</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Council Member Pasquarelli	<u>✓</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Council Member Peterson	<u>✓</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Council Member Salovaara	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>✓</u>	<u> </u>
Council Member Schrier	<u>✓</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Council Member Vetrano	<u>✓</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Council Member Way	<u>✓</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Council Member Weingart	<u>✓</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Council Member Whitenack	<u>✓</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>