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Eileen Swan
Executive Director
New Jersey Highlands Council
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RE: Chester Township
Petition for Plan Conformance

Dear Ms. Swan:

The Township of Chester wishes to inform you and the Highlands Council (Council) of its decision to amend the Fair Share Plan by removing from consideration a site (Block 44, Lot 11) for development of affordable housing. The proposed development, known as the Byrne Apartments, is unlikely to obtain Council endorsement as a viable project due to its location in the Highlands Preservation Area and attendant development restrictions as identified in the Highlands Consistency Review and Recommendations Report.

The Council on Affordable Housing (COAH) will be notified of our decision following receipt of their comments regarding the Township's third round petition. The Township will copy the Council regarding all correspondence to COAH and submit to the Council Chester Township's amended Fair Share Plan when completed.

Chester Township remains committed to seeing through with the process leading to conformance with the Highlands Regional Master Plan. Please contact me if there are any questions or comments regarding this notification.

Very truly yours,

William A. Cogger
Mayor

cc. George Ritter
Carol Isemann
Sarah Jane Noll
James Humphries