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NOTICE: PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD & PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULE

Borough of Oakland Petition for Plan Conformance Final Draft Consistency Review and Recommendations Report

Please take notice that the Highlands Water Protection and Planning Council (Highlands Council) is now accepting public comments on the Borough of Oakland's Petition for Plan Conformance and the Final Draft Consistency Review and Recommendations Report prepared by the Highlands Council staff. These documents are for consideration by the Highlands Council in its review of the Petition for Plan Conformance of the Borough of Oakland, Bergen County, New Jersey. Written public comments will be accepted through April 29, 2014, via email at james.humphries@highlands.state.nj.us, via facsimile at the number listed above, or by mail to the address listed above. Equal consideration will be given to comments regardless of how they are received.

Model documents comprising the various elements of a standard Petition for Plan Conformance were posted to the Highlands Council website between April 2009 and June 2010. The Borough of Oakland's Petition for Plan Conformance was deemed administratively complete on July 14, 2010, and posted to the Highlands Council website on July 20, 2010. The Final Draft Consistency Review and Recommendations Report for Borough of Oakland and all Petition materials are available for public review both in the offices of the Highlands Council (please call to arrange for in-office review), and at its website:

http://www.highlands.state.nj.us/njhighlands/planconformance/oakland boro.html

Please take further notice that, subsequent to the close of public comment, the Borough of Oakland's Petition for Plan Conformance, in conjunction with the Final Consistency Review and Recommendations Report and all public comments received, will be the subject of a public hearing held by the Highlands Council pursuant to sections 14 and 15 of the Highlands Act. After receiving any public comments provided during the hearing, the agency may approve, reject, or approve with conditions the Petition for Plan Conformance. The public hearing has been scheduled for the Highlands Council 4:00 p.m. meeting on Thursday, May 15, 2014, which will take place in the Highlands council offices at the address listed above.

Please take further notice that, as the Borough of Oakland has submitted a petition for Substantive Certification to the Council on Affordable Housing, public comments regarding that Plan's consistency with the Regional Master Plan may be submitted to the Highlands Council, while any specific comments on the formal approval of that Housing Element and Fair Share Plan (a Plan Conformance Petition requirement) may be submitted to the Council on Affordable Housing.

DATE OF NOTICE: April 14, 2014