

October 21, 2020

Mr. Richard Robbins
Forestburgh Planning Board Chairperson

Dear Mr. Robbins:

Prior to the upcoming October Planning Board meeting I want to put forth several questions regarding the Forestburgh Pond project. The questions are primarily for the applicant and can most likely be addressed by them.

The first question is related to the improvement of Stag Forest Road, a topic that has been discussed at earlier meetings. Based on past experience there is often a buildup of ice in winter on Stag Forest Road near the northwest corner of parcel A and lot 8. This is apparently the result of inadequate drainage as water collects on the road and/or flows over from the north side of the road. The freezing water results in the ice build-up and makes driving in this area very dangerous. Any road improvements must remedy this drainage problem.

Yes we will, this was discussed several times and currently there is no ditch on the up hill side of the road and the water basically runs down the road and ponds up on the level. The engineer has done a proposed center line profile and discussed not crossing any water under the road until it get past our cabin on lot 8 which should alleviate the this problem

Another question is what will be done with the existing electrical lines that feed the cabin on lot 8 as well as houses on plots A, B, D, and E. The lines appear to extend from lot 6 to the above houses. Are these lines to remain in place or are they included in the underground utilities plan for the Forestburgh Pond project?

No existing power lines will be replaced, the under ground utility requirement is for any new power lines.

The final question is in regard to the lead contamination from the shooting range which has been previously discussed. We are told that the drainage is such that any lead contaminants will not flow toward the pond. Will they flow away from the lake in an east/ southeast direction through lot 21 and posing a risk to

neighboring properties at 185 and 187 Hartwood Road? How far from the original source is lead a potential threat?

The more in-depth testing performed in September shows no lead above allowable levels for residential uses anywhere along the shooting lane. The deeper test at the 12 – 16 inch range were much lower and fell below the unrestricted levels which would allow any use of the property under NYS DEC guidelines. As a precaution, we have put a note on the map asking lots 17 and 18 to have their wells tested for lead prior to consumption.

Thank you for your consideration of these questions.

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Hope these answer your concerns, if you have any other questions please reach out to me directly alord@newyorklandandlakes.com or 607 434-2678

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