

DEC STATEMENT APRIL 10, 2024 IN RESPONSE TO WATERFRONT QUESTIONS (in bold)

ON BACKGROUND

Does the DEC consider IGN to be legally bound to adhere strictly to the provisions of the 2008 Final Scoping Document? If not, how much leeway does the agency grant an applicant to waive certain provisions in a final scoping document? Why did the DEC approve for public comment a DEIS that directly conflicts with the 2008 final scoping document? Does the agency now conclude that the 50-acre limit is preferable to the 15-acre limit specified in the 2008 final scoping document?

DEC is evaluating the amount of land within the proposed life of mine that can be disturbed at any one time as part of the ongoing review of the application and draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) currently in a public review and comment period. DEC extended the public comment on the "It's Greener Now" application to April 13, 2024. Comments can be sent to: Frances Knickmeyer, NYSDEC Region 8 Headquarters, 6274 E Avon-Lima Rd, Avon, 14414, or its-greener-now-comments@dec.ny.gov.

More information is available at: <https://dec.ny.gov/news/environmental-notice-bulletin/2024-03-06/public-notice/town-of-dix-its-greener-now-inc-extension-of-public-comment-period>

On what date (in 2021 or 2022) did the DEC transfer Kristine Carlson from its Avon office to its office in Buffalo? What was the reason for Carlson's transfer? (Did she request it? Was it a promotion, or some other reason?)

Following a residency change, Kristine Carlson requested and was approved a transfer to Buffalo Region 9, Division of Environmental Permits.

I'm also interested in the roles played by Ed Davidson of JMT and Kevin Roe of Barclay Damon in getting the 50-acre provision inserted (contrary to what your NOIA had insisted on) and in getting the Parks Office to waive all concerns.

Please contact the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation.