

May 1, 2024

VIA MAIL and EMAIL

Kevin Hanson, Supervisor
Town of Pound Ridge
7 Old Pound Road
Pound Ridge, New York 12020

Re: **Map, Plan, and Report**
Scotts Corner Drinking Water Improvements
Town of Pound Ridge, New York

Dear Mr. Hansan,

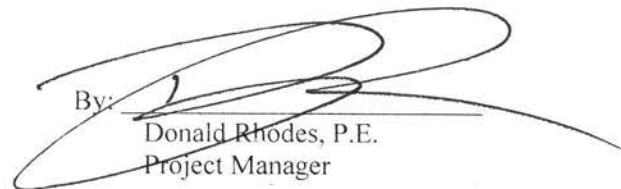
Please find enclosed a paper and electronic copy of the draft Map, Plan, and Report (MPR) prepared for Scotts Corners Drinking Water Improvements. The MPR has been revised to reflect comments recently received from the Task Force.

We recommend that the Town Board be presented with copies of the MPR to accompany the SEQRA review package we transmitted via letter dated April 29, 2024. We also recommend that the Town engage Special District Counsel and Bond Counsel to assist with and expedite project implementation. Unless the Town can obtain a proposal from Counsel ahead of your next meeting, we recommend that the Town establish a \$30,000 budget for initial district and financing work with a goal of having a public hearing for district formation ahead of the June 14, 2024, Water Infrastructure Improvement Act (WIIA) grant application date.

We note that the WIIA grant application may not require the water district to be formed before the application due date because the project will address perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) pollution. However, projects that complete SEQRA and form the district after a public hearing demonstrate readiness, which has historically improved grant scoring. To further demonstrate readiness, we recommend that the Town publicly seek proposals from and contract with a qualified engineering consultant for implementation services ahead of the grant application due date.

As always, please feel free to call with any comments and questions.

Very truly yours,
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