## COUNTY OF BERGEN NOTICE OF GREEN ACRES PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING

Please take notice that the Bergen County Department of Parks (County) will hold a public meeting (scoping hearing) on July 28th at 7:00 p.m. at the Hampton Inn, 290 Rt. 17S, Mahwah, New Jersey 07430. The purpose of the meeting will be to receive public comment as to the proposed diversion of a portion of County of Bergen-owned lands located at Block 1, Lots 54 & 148, in the Township of Mahwah, County of Bergen. As to said lands, a permanent right of way and easement and temporary workspace is proposed to be acquired from the County by Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company (Tennessee) for the expansion of Tennessee's existing underground natural gas pipeline transmission system and easement. Compensation, to be determined, would be given by Tennessee to the County for the easements and workspace. The lands in question are encumbered by State of New Jersey Green Acres regulations, and an application for the major diversion (removal from the Green Acres inventory) of said lands may be submitted by the County to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Green Acres Program, for approval by the Department's Commissioner and by the State House Commission. A public scoping hearing is required by Green Acres' regulations prior to the submission of any formal application for the diversion of the said lands, all of which are forested lands and/or agricultural fields that are not presently used for active recreational activities. At the public hearing you may appear in person in order to comment on the proposed diversion or, in the alternative, you may submit written comments by August 9, 2011, to Mr. Adam Strobel, Director, Bergen County Open Space Division, One Bergen County Plaza, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Hackensack, New Jersey 07601-7076. A copy of any written comments must also be provided by you to New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Green Acres Program, Bureau of Legal Services and Stewardship, P.O. Box 412, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0412.

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