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VILLAGE OF KIRYAS JOEL ADOPTS FINAL SCOPE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The Village of Kiryas Joel has adopted the Final Scope of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DGEIS) for the annexation of 507 acres to the Village. Pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) process, earlier this month the Village held a public scoping session relating to a request by local property owners in the Town of Monroe to annex their properties to the Village of Kiryas Joel.

The focus of the Scoping Session was for the Village to present the outline of the DGEIS and invite the public to comment on the Draft Scope. Scoping is not a requirement of SEQRA; however, this process identifies the topics that will be covered by the DGEIS and creates a formal outline for the DGEIS.

All involved and interested agencies and the public from Kiryas Joel, Monroe and the surrounding communities were encouraged to attend the Scoping Session. Interested members of the public also participated by registering to speak during the Scoping Session. For those unable to attend the public scoping session, written comments on the Draft Scope were accepted through close of business on March 10, 2015, and were considered with equal value to those offered in person.

The Final Scope can be accessed online by visiting: <http://www.kj-seqra.com/507Acres/>

Now that the Final Scope has been adopted, the next step in the SEQRA process is for the Village's consultants to prepare the DGEIS for consideration by the Village Board as SEQRA lead agency. A subsequent public hearing on the DGEIS will be scheduled once it is accepted by the lead agency. The accepted DGEIS and subsequent SEQRA documents will continue to be shared publicly on the website.

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