# State Environmental Quality Review Act Combined Notice of Completion of Draft GEIS and SEQRA Public Hearing and Comment Period

**Lead Agency**: The Village of Kiryas Joel Board of Trustees **Date**: May 1, 2015

**Address:** Village of Kiryas Joel, P.O. Box 566, Monroe, New York 10949.

This notice is issued pursuant to Part 617 of the implementing regulations pertaining to Article 8 of State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA") of the Environmental Conservation Law.

A Draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement ("GEIS") considering the potential adverse environmental impacts of two proposed annexation petitions has been prepared by the Village of Kiryas Joel Board of Trustees ("Village Board") as lead agency. On May 1, 2015, the Village Board determined that the Draft GEIS was complete and adequate for public review. The Village Board will commence a public hearing on June 10, 2015 at 7:00p.m. at the Bais Rachel Paradise Hall, 5 Israel Zupnick Dr., Monroe, NY 10950; and will accept written comments on the Draft GEIS through close of business on June 22, 2015.

Name of Action: Petition for Annexation of 507+/- Acres from the Town of Monroe

to the Village of Kiryas Joel;

Petition for Annexation of 164+/- Acres from the Town of Monroe to

the Village of Kiryas Joel.

**SEQRA Status:** Type I Action

## **Description of Action:**

The Village Board has initiated the SEQRA process to consider potential adverse environmental impacts resulting from a petition by 116 private property owner petitioners to annex approximately 507+/- acres of territory comprised of 177 tax lots from the Town of Monroe to the Village. As part of its review, the Village Board will also consider the potential adverse environmental impacts resulting from an alternative petition for annexation of approximately 164+/- acres of territory comprised of 71 tax lots from the Town of Monroe to the Village. The alternative proposes annexation of a subset of the tax lots proposed in the 507-acre annexation. No specific plans for development have been submitted with either petition.

### **Location:**

507+/- Acres comprised of 177 tax lots in the Town of Monroe, as identified in the Petition for Annexation of 507 acres; and

164+/- Acres comprised of 71 tax lots in the Town of Monroe, as identified in the Petition for Annexation of 164 acres.

# **Reasons Supporting This Determination:**

The Lead Agency has completed the Draft GEIS and determined that it is consistent with the final scoping outline and the Part 617 regulations of the State Environmental Quality Review Act and is, therefore, adequate for public review.

The Draft GEIS can be found on the Project website at <a href="http://www.kj-seqra.com/">http://www.kj-seqra.com/</a> or upon request to the Contact Person listed below.

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All comments should be directed to Tim Miller Associates, Inc., 10 North Street, Cold Spring, NY 10516 (Environmental Consultant for the Village).

### For Further Information:

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