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Hon. Joanne Cunningham
Albany County Legislature
112 State St., Rm. 710
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Dear Chairwoman Cunningham,

Please find enclosed a Request for Legislative Action to be considered at the April 2024 Conservation, Sustainability and Green Initiatives Committee meeting.

Three parcels are proposed to be conveyed to NYS Department of Environmental Conservation for conservation purposes: **Town of Berne:** Cook Hill Road Tax Map No. 112.-2-3, Bradt Hollow Road Tax Map No. 100.-1-6 **Town of Rensselaerville:** SR 145 Tax Map No. 158.-1-12.10 Pursuant to Resolution # 408 of 2011, foreclosed properties located in the Town of Berne, Cook Hill Road Tax Map No. 112.-2-3 and Bradt Hollow Road Tax Map No. 100.-1-6 were declared no longer needed for county use. These properties were then authorized to be conveyed to the NYS DEC pursuant to Resolution No. 409 of 2011. These parcels were recommended for conservation as they are vacant land within a State Reforestation Area and the state-owned Partridge Run Wildlife Management Area respectively.

Pursuant to Resolution No. 103 of 2013 tax foreclosed property located in the Town of Rensselaerville known as SR 145 Tax Map No. 158.-1-12.10 was authorized for conveyance to the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation. This parcel was recommended for conveyance to establish public fishing rights.

As these conveyances were never completed and NYS Department of Environmental Conservation is again requesting these properties, legislative action is being requested in two parts:

First, to declare property located in the Town of Rensselaerville known as SR 145 Tax Map No. 158.-1-12.10 no longer necessary for public use pursuant to County Code S65-3
Secondly, to rescind the sales as specified in Resolutions No. 409 of 2011 and 103 of 2013 and transfer all three properties together to the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation for \$1.00 each

Sincerely,

Laura DeGaetano