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Hon. Joanne Cunningham, Chairwoman
Albany County Legislature
112 State Street, Rm. 710
Albany, NY 12207

Dear Chairwoman Cunningham,

The Department of Public Works is seeking approval to engage in a three-year municipal agreement with Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) of Saratoga County for the removal of invasive species at various locations throughout the County. The Cornell Cooperative Extension of Saratoga County hosts the Capital/Mohawk Partnership for Regional Invasive Species Management (PRISM), which serves Capital Region Counties and is situated at Saratoga County Cornell Cooperative Extension. The funding for this program is provided by NYS DEC, and the associated insurance is managed through Saratoga CCE.

This three-year blanket agreement would allow for removal of invasive species, including but not limited to, Lesser Celandine and Knotweed from various County properties. Removal comes at no cost to the County.

Please feel free to contact my office if additional information is needed.

Sincerely,

Lisa M. Ramundo
Commissioner

cc: Hon. Dennis Feeney, Majority Leader
Hon. Frank Mauriello, Minority Leader
Rebekah Kennedy, Majority Counsel
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