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Re: Maple Road Improvements
(T) Southeast; Putnam County
Middle Branch Reservoir Drainage Basin
DEP Log #2004-MB-0648-SP.4

Dear Mr. Durante:

This letter is to serve as a follow-up to our March 13, 2025 site walk concerning proposed asphalt paving of Maple Road adjacent to Middle Branch Reservoir.

Asphalt (impervious) paving of Maple Road will require New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) approval of a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) in accordance with Section 18-39(b)(4)(vii) of the *Rules and Regulations for the Protection from Contamination, Degradation, and Pollution of the New York City Water Supply and its Sources* (Watershed Regulations).

Similar to DEP's August 23, 2022 approval for paving the intersection of Maple Road and Enoch Crosby Road, projects that will result in less than one (1) acre of soil disturbance are eligible to meet DEP's "Small Project SWPPP" requirements, as described in Section 18-39(b)(9) of the Watershed Regulations. Of note, the SWPPP application should include drainage area maps, swale/structure sizing calculations, erosion control measures, and a schedule for long-term maintenance of permanent stormwater treatment practices. Additionally, as we discussed, DEP suggests the Town of Southeast conduct a coordinated review pursuant to SEQRA as a determination of significance is required before DEP may deem an application complete.

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