PUBLIC NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the County of Ocean and the Township of Little Egg Harbor has filed a request with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Office of Transactions and Public Land Administration, proposing to transfer ownership of parkland between the Township of Little Egg Harbor and the County of Ocean. The purpose of this exchange is to consolidate ownership for administration and management of public open space. No development of parkland is proposed as part of this transfer.

The parkland to be transferred by the Township of Little Egg Harbor to the County of Ocean are designated as Block 109, Lots 46, 54, 99/ Block 126, Lots 21, 24, 25, 26/ Block 269, Lots 3, 9/ Block 326.201, Lots 63, 64/ Block 326.203, Lots 2-22 all in the Township of Little Egg Harbor and containing approximately 86.082 acres and is subject to Green Acres restrictions. The Green Acres restrictions will be transferred with the parkland and will run with the property in perpetuity.

The parkland to be transferred by the County of Ocean to the Township of Little Egg Harbor are designated as Block 326, Lots 27, 27.01, 62/ Block 326.33, Lot 46 all in the Township of Little Egg Harbor and containing approximately 42.01 acres and is subject to Green Acres restrictions. The Green Acres restrictions will be transferred with the parkland and will run with the property in perpetuity.

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:36-25.5(a)3, a hearing to obtain public comment on this request will be held at: Little Egg Harbor Township Municipal Building, 665 Radio Rd. Little Egg Harbor Township, NJ 08087 at 6:00 p.m. on October 20, 2022.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-15.4, lands acquired with county open space trust funds may be conveyed or transferred, subject to the requirements therein, including the requirement to conduct one public hearing in the County Seat which will be held at: Ocean County Engineering Conference Room, 129 Hooper Ave, 3rd Floor, Toms River, NJ 08754 at 6:00 p.m. on November 3, 2022.

Written comments on the proposed transfer of ownership and proposed change in purpose or use may be directed to: Mark Villinger, Supervising Planner, Ocean County Planning Department, PO Box 2191, Toms River, NJ 08754-2191. Telephone: (732) 929-2054. Please send a copy of any comments submitted on this request to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Office of Transactions and Public Land Administration, Public Land Compliance Section, 401 East State Street, 7th Floor, Mail Code 401-07, PO Box 402, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0420 or via email to PublicLandCompliance@dep.nj.gov

Public comment on this proposed transfer request will be accepted during the public hearing or until November 17, 2022. On or after Friday November 18, 2022 the County of Ocean and Township of Little Egg Harbor may take formal action to approve the proposed change in purpose or use and exchange of land.