



TOWN OF NEW CASTLE

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MEMORANDUM

To: Town of New Castle Planning Board
Sabrina Charney Hull, Director of Planning
From: Stephen W. Coleman, Environmental Coordinator
Date: February 4, 2019
Re: **Sirlin, 10 Kisco Park Drive - Environmental Review**
cc: R. Cioli, J. Friend

Materials Reviewed:

- Proposed Subdivision Plan, dated last revised 04-20-18, as prepared by Campbell Engineering.

I have completed a review of the latest revised proposed Subdivision Plan and offer the following comments:

A. The information submitted regarding proposed tree removals and replacements is considered incomplete. The following information is required:

1. Chapter 121-5 (6) a 1-2:
 - All existing trees four inches in DBH, located within the regulated landscape buffer zone, and all existing trees eight inches DBH, located outside of the regulated landscape buffer shall be surveyed for species, size, and tree condition rating. Trees to be removed shall be listed within table that shows species, size and condition and included with the application form. Inventory and assessment shall be assessed by a certified arborist.
 - A Certified Arborist is required to perform the inventory and assessment and provide a table as noted.

2. Chapter 121-5 (6) b 1-3:
 - A tree replacement plan submitted in conjunction with any clearing action shall be certified by a landscape architect or arborist...
 - A tree replacement plan (at appropriate scale) that follows the standards outlined in 121-6 (A-J): Tree Replacement is required.
3. Chapter 121-10 (B): At a minimum a 5-year Maintenance and Monitoring Plan and Bond will be required.
4. The proposed grading for the driveway access from Crow Hill for lot 2 will likely impact additional trees. Based upon an updated inventory, these trees should be assessed whether they will be impacted and the method of tree protection should be clearly shown on the site plan.
5. The proposed septic system for lot 2 should differentiate between the primary and expansion area to determine whether any trees could potentially be saved. A detailed grading plan should also be submitted to determine potential impacts to existing trees.
6. The proposed tree replacement planting plan requires to be revised as per Chapter 121-6. Based upon what has been submitted, white pine is not considered an acceptable tree replacement near the proposed residences. Other options are available which should be explored.

This completes my preliminary review of the proposed subdivision plan and application materials. The information submitted regarding tree information is considered incomplete and requires a new re-submission that follows the criteria outlined within Chapter 121. Please contact me if you have any questions or if you require further information.