

# NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

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Jason Leifer  
Town of Dryden Supervisor  
93 East Main Street  
Dryden, NY 13053

Re: PLC – Tompkins 70 (Tompkins SRA 2)

Dear Mr. Leifer,

The Department of Environmental Conservation is considering an open space project to acquire a parcel of land near Harford Slaterville Road in the Town of Dryden as shown on the enclosed maps. The project consists of approximately 4.95 acres and is identified as tax map parcel 78-1-8.1. This project is intended to consolidate the State Lands within Hammond Hill State Forest. If it is acquired, it will have the same taxable status as the existing state forest lands.

Acquisition would be consistent with the New York State Open Space Plan and would only be pursued as a friendly purchase from a willing seller. Eminent Domain would not be used.

The property may be paid for with funds from the Environmental Protection Fund. In accordance with Section 54-0303 of Environmental Conservation Law, whenever funding from that source is used to acquire land not specifically listed on a prior state land acquisition plan, the town where the land is located must be offered the opportunity to object to the acquisition. This letter is intended to offer that opportunity. The law allots 90 days from your receipt of this letter for a reply.

We would appreciate town board consideration of this project as soon as practical. If this matter will be discussed at a town board meeting or other public meeting, I would suggest that, as a courtesy, the owner be notified of the meeting. A copy of any board resolution regarding the acquisition should be sent to:

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation  
Regional Land Acquisition Advisory Committee  
c/o Jon Holbein  
615 Erie Boulevard West  
Syracuse, New York 13204-2400

If you wish to have a representative of this Department at your town board meeting to answer questions, please don't hesitate to contact myself or Mr. Holbein at (315) 426-7400.

Thank you for your prompt consideration of this action.

Sincerely,



Matthew Marko  
Regional Director

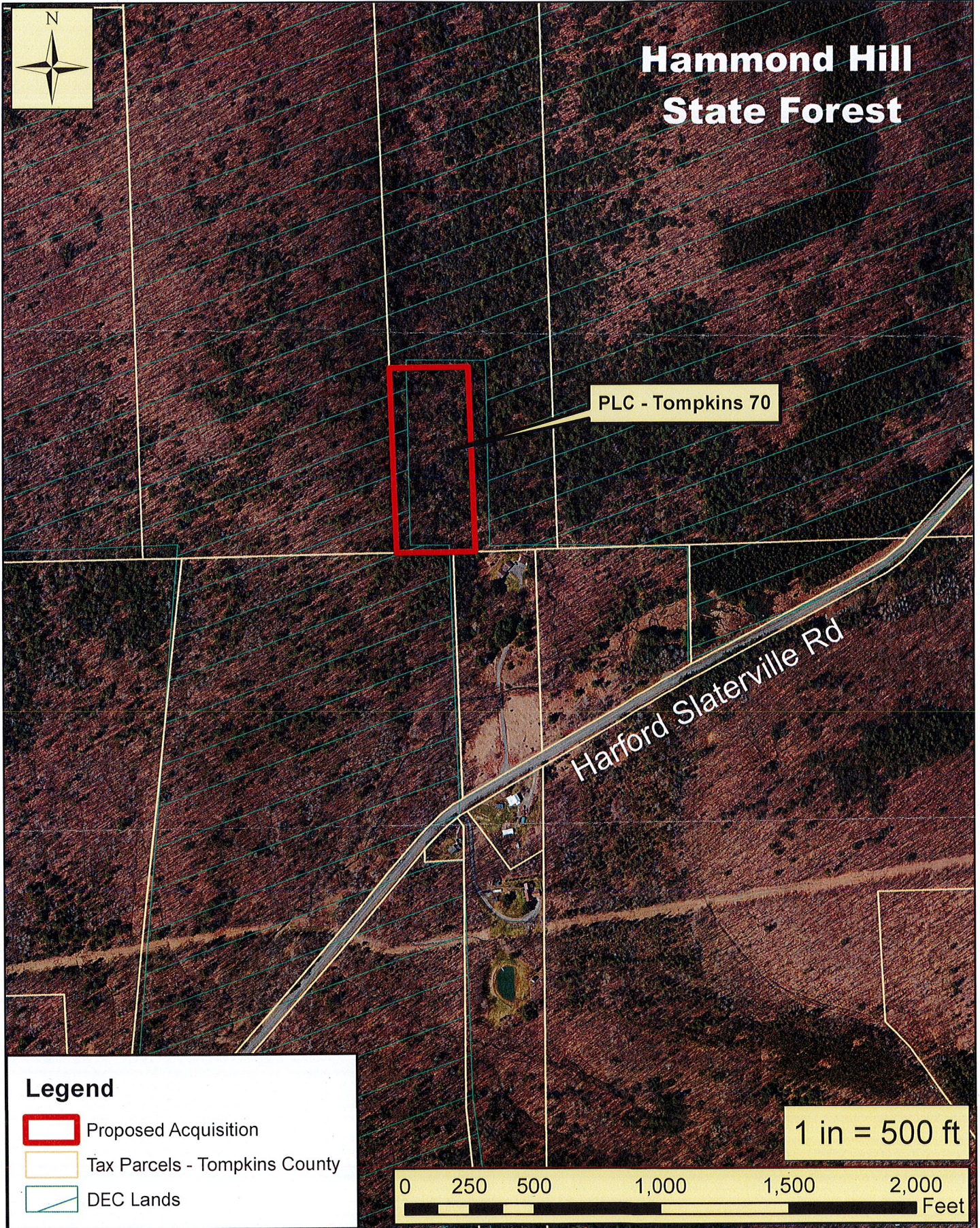


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Proposed Addition to Hammond Hill State Forest  
Project PLC - Tompkins 70  
Aerial Map



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**Hammond Hill  
State Forest**

PLC - Tompkins 70

Harford Slaterville Rd

**Legend**

-  Proposed Acquisition
-  Tax Parcels - Tompkins County
-  DEC Lands

1 in = 500 ft

0 250 500 1,000 1,500 2,000 Feet

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Location Map



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