

# Letter of Renewed Commitment to Memorandum of Agreement with Respect to the Saw Mill River Watershed

## Village of Pleasantville

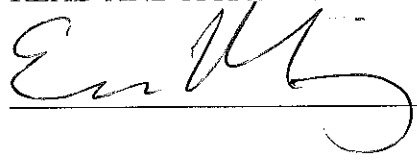
Through this letter the Village of Pleasantville a member of the Saw Mill Watershed Advisory Board, wishes to express its renewed commitment to the mid-2000s *Memorandum of Agreement with Respect to the Saw Mill River Watershed* as signed by our Board of Trustees on the date of January 10, 2006 as well as to the Saw Mill River Coalition strategies as detailed in the 5-Year Action Plan.

With the advance in scientific understanding of the impacts of climate change on the livelihood of our communities and the health of our local estuaries, it is important, now more than ever, to reiterate our commitment to take both local and county-wide actions for mitigating the growing challenges faced by the Saw Mill River Watershed. These include among others, an increase in extreme rain events and flooding, loss of natural habitat, water pollution and the spread of invasive species.

To further emphasize our renewed commitment to the goals and objectives of the *Memorandum of Agreement* and the *5-Year Action Plan*, we hereby commit to take the following local actions within the next 24 months:

1. Re-Introduce (and continue to introduce over the course of 5 years) native plant species with the cooperation of the Pleasantville Conservation Advisory Council at Nannahagen Park. To date, numerous projects have taken place recently to remove invasive, restore healthy vegetation, and rehabilitate the walking path within the property. Various fish species may also be stocked into the pond as appropriate.
2. Continue to monitor and attempt to improve the overall waterflow of the pond and stream through Nannahagen Park.
3. Flooding – Monthly stream checks from Cornell Street to just south of Marble Avenue to ensure no debris/blockage has occurred.

READ AND AGREED:

  
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dated: 1/12/21

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