CREDIT APPLICATION STAFF REPORT

Issue Date: 10/25/96

Item	Tax Map Numbers: 200-301-2-40
Applicant Name	Ralph & Marjorie Gorga
Location/Access	Just west of Town line, south of Nugent Drive, Riverhead, Town of Brookhaven. Parcel has access from unimproved, paper road (2nd Avenue).
Hagstrom Map #	Map 23, M-29
Aerial #	Not available at this time.
Acreage	.12 acre
Topography/Geologic Features	Steeper morainal slopes, approximately 100'above mean sea level.
Soils (SC Soil Survey)	CpC (Carver and Plymouth sands, 3-15% slopes)
Wetlands, Depth to Seasonal High Water Table, Surface Water, etc.	According to NYS DEC maps, wetland # R-57 is located to the southwest of the subject site.
Vegetative Cover Type	Pitch pine - oak/heath woodland with areas of pine barrens shrub swamp.
Rare and Endangered Species	None.
Cultural Resources	Not available at this time
Land Use	Vacant
Zoning	A2 Residence. Minimum lot area 80,000 square feet.
School District	Riverhead
Public Water	No
Public Sewer	No
Fire/Police District	Riverhead
Comments	

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WHEREAS, this grant of Conservation Easement is made pursuant to Environmental Conservation Law ("ECL"), Title 3, Article 49 or its similar successor statute, and this Conservation Easement is intended to comply with said statute; and

WHEREAS, Grantors and Grantee recognize the ecological, scientific, groundwater recharge, scenic, educational, recreational and aesthetic value of the Property and have the common purpose of conserving the Natural Values of the Property by the conveyance to the Grantee of a Conservation Easement on, over and across the Property which shall conserve the Natural Values of the Property and advance the goals of the Commission pursuant to the Act and the Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, Grantors, for and in consideration of the facts above and hereinafter recited including, but not limited to, entitlement to receipt of the Pine Barrens Credits pursuant to Grantors' Letter of Interpretation issued on the 5th day of November 1996, in the amount of 0.10 Pine Barrens Credits and of the mutual covenants, terms, conditions and restrictions herein contained, does hereby give, grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the Grantee, its successors and assigns forever a Conservation Easement in perpetuity over the Property consisting of the following:

- 1. The right of visual access to and view of the Property in its natural, scenic and open condition.
- 2. The Grantors' forbearance from taking any of those actions constituting development pursuant to ECL Section 57-0107(13), and the Grantors' forbearance from operations or uses pursuant to ECL Section 57-0107(13)(i-xiii) unless such operations or uses are otherwise expressly reserved herein.
- 3. a. The right of the Grantee, its respective agents, employees or other representatives, to enforce this Conservation Easement in an action at law or in equity or both.
 - b. The right of the State of New York, the County of Suffolk, the Township in which the Property is situated or their respective agents, employees or other representatives, exercising a third party enforcement right, to enforce this Conservation Easement in an action at law or in equity or both.

representatives, agree to give Grantors reasonable advance notice of its intention to enter and inspect the Property, and further such entrance and inspection shall be in a reasonable manner and at reasonable times. Furthermore, Grantors shall provide any third party with enforcement rights, or its agents, representatives or employees, access to cross other lands retained by Grantors, and permission to enter upon the Property, upon receipt of advance notice of such third party's intention to enter and inspect. Such entrance and inspection shall be in a reasonable manner and at reasonable times.

Covenants

In furtherance of the foregoing affirmative rights, the Grantors make the following covenants, on behalf of themselves, their successors, heirs and assigns, lessees, personal representatives and other successors in interest, which covenants shall run with and bind the Property in perpetuity:

- There shall be no construction activity, alteration of vegetation or change in topography, no development as defined by ECL Section 57-0107(13) and no operations or uses not constituting development pursuant to ECL Section 57-0107(13)(i-xiii), unless otherwise expressly reserved herein.
- There shall be no storing, dumping, discharging or placing of any substance in or on the Property in contravention of any applicable federal, state or local law or ordinance.

Reserved Rights

NEVERTHELESS, and notwithstanding any of the foregoing provisions to the contrary and as expressly limited herein, the Grantors reserve for themselves, their heirs, successors and assigns the following reserved rights in addition to all those rights previously retained, reserved and defined herein, which may be exercised without written notice to the Grantce.

1. The right of exclusive possession of the Property.

native vegetation; the right to use the Property for the erection of agricultural buildings, including but not limited to barns, greenhouses and farm stands, required for the production of plants or animals as reflected under ECL Section 57-0107(14), if such activity does not involve material alteration of native vegetation.

- 4. The right to use the Property for operations or uses described in ECL Section 57-0107(13) (i, ii and vi), or environmental restoration projects commenced by the Grantors or their heirs, successors or assigns upon approval of any applicable Federal, State or local agency, or any activity authorized under the federal natural gas act (15 U.S.C. Sections 717-717w), as same may be amended from time to time.
- 5. The right to sell, give or otherwise convey the Property or, consistent with the Covenants herein, any portion or portions of the Property, subject to the terms of this Conservation Easement. The Grantors, upon the sale, gift or other conveyance of his fee interest in the Property, shall have no further obligations or liabilities under this Conservation Easement. Grantors shall promptly notify Grantee of any conveyance of any interest in the Property, including the full names and mailing addresses of all Grantees, and the individual principals thereof, under any such conveyance. The instrument of any such conveyance shall specifically set forth that the interest thereby conveyed is subject to this Conservation Easement, without modification or amendment of the terms of this Conservation Easement, and shall incorporate this Conservation Easement by reference, specifically setting forth the date, office, liber and page of the recording thereof. The failure of any such instrument to comply with the provisions hereof shall not affect Grantee's rights hereunder.

Rights of the Rublic

Nothing contained in this Conservation Easement shall give or grant to the public a right to enter upon or to use the Property or any portion thereof where no such right existed in the public immediately prior to the execution of this Conservation Easement except as may be granted by the Grantors herein or their successors.

concerning its subject matter. Any prior agreement between the parties concerning its subject matter shall be merged into this Conservation Easement and superseded by it.

- 3. Any provision of this Conservation Easement restricting Grantors' activities, which is determined to be invalid or unenforceable by a court, shall not be rendered a nullity. Instead, that provision shall be reduced or limited to whatever extent that the court determines will make it enforceable and effective. Any other provision of this Conservation Easement which is determined to be invalid or unenforceable by a court shall be severed from the other provisions, which shall remain enforceable and effective.
- 4. Regardless of any contrary rule of construction, no provision or alleged ambiguity of this Conservation Easement shall be construed in favor of one of the parties because it was drafted by the other party's attorney. If any provision of this Conservation Easement is ambiguous or shall be subject to two or more interpretations, one of which would render that provision invalid, then that provision shall be given such interpretation as would render it valid and consistent with the purposes of this Conservation Easement as intended by Grantors. Any rule of strict construction designed to limit the breadth of the restrictions on use of the Property shall not apply in the construction or interpretation of this Conservation Easement, and, this Conservation Easement shall be interpreted broadly to effect the purposes of this Conservation Easement as intended by Grantors. The parties intend that this Conservation Easement, which is by nature and character primarily negative in that the Grantors have restricted and limited the Grantors' right to use the Property, except as otherwise recited herein, be construed at all times and by all parties to effectuate its purposes.
- 5. This Conservation Easement can be terminated only in accordance with the law of the State of New York applicable to the termination of easements and covenants running with the land. This Conservation Easement may be modified only upon the written consent of both the Grantors and Grantee, or their successors, heirs, representatives or assigns. Grantors and Grantee recognize that circumstances could arise which would justify the modification of certain of the restrictions contained herein. To this end, Grantee and the Grantors shall mutually have the right, in their sole discretion, to agree to amendments to this Conservation Easement which are not inconsistent with the basic purpose of this Conservation Easement, provided, however, that the Grantee shall have no right or power to agree to any amendments hereto that would result in this Conservation Easement failing

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- 7. Any notices required in this Conservation Easement shall be written. Notices shall be given either by manual delivery or by mailing in a mail receptacle maintained by the United States Postal Service. Mailed notices must be contained in an accurately addressed, sealed envelope, marked for delivery by first class registered or certified mail, with sufficient prepaid postage affixed and with return receipt requested. Mailed notice to the Grantors shall be addressed to Grantors' address as recited herein or to any such other address as the Grantee shall be addressed to Grantee's address as recited herein or to any such other address as the Grantee may designate by notice in accordance with this section.
- It is understood and agreed by the Parties hereto that the Grantors, their successors, heirs
 and assigns, shall not be liable for any changes to the Property caused by any natural
 disaster or Act of God.
- The Grantors and Grantors' lessees, representatives, successors, heirs and assigns, shall
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Schedule A

All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the Town of Brookhaven, County of Suffolk, State of New York described as lots number thirty-three (33) and thirty-four (34) in Block number sixteen (16) of Mary J. Fanning Tract 495 as depicted on a certain map filed in the office of the Clerk of Suffolk County, State of New York, at Riverhead, Long Island, on the first day of December, in the year, 1894. Said parcel being and intended to be the same as described in a deed dated September 29, 1973 between Fredercik James Verity as grantor and Ralph Gorga and Majorie Verity Gorga as grantees recorded at Liber 7640 and Page 568 in the offices of the Suffolk County Clerk.

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Number: 0200-00027

Date Issued: March 21, 1997

Pine Barrens Credit Clearinghouse

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Issued Pursuant to the Long Island Pine Barrens Protection Act and the Central Pine Barrens Comprehensive Land Use Plan

This certifies that: Ralph Gorga and Marjorie Verity Gorga hereby owns

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This certificate entitles the owner to a land use density or intensity increase as provided in the Kentral Sine (Barrens Comprehensive Land Use Slan and pursuant to local ordinances

Vice-Chairman, Pine Barrens Credit Clearinghouse

SALE, CONVEYANCE OR TRANSFER OF PINE BARRENS CREDITS

Within ten (10) business days the person selling, conveying, transferring or pledging a Pine Barrens Credit, or any interest therein, shall deliver to the Pine Barrens Credit Clearinghouse this Certificate representing the Credits sold, conveyed, transferred, or pledged.

Upon Clearinghouse receipt, a Certificate will be issued in the name of the person(s) who have secured an interest in the Credits. A new Certificate will be issued to the grantor if he has retained any interest in the Credits represented by this Certificate.

Attach written evidence of the transaction (e.g., Contract of Sale, Bili of Sale)

Date of Transaction:

Interest Secured: Consideration:

1500.00

as security, the Clearinghouse will again reissue

Attach written evidence of the transaction (Note: When Pine Barrens Credits are released

a Pine Barrens Certificate upon notification by

the owner and the lender.)

Signature:

Number of Pine Barrens Credits pledged as

collateral:

Transferred:

PINE BARRENS CREDITS PLEDGED AS SECURITY

When Pine Barrens Credits are pledged as security for loans, the lending institution shall return this certificate to the Pine Barrens Credit Clearinghouse properly completed, within ten (10) business days.

Upon Clearinghouse receipt, a revised Pine Barrens Certificate reflecting the encumbrance will be re-issued

Lending Institution Name: Address: City/State Zip Code: Signature: Title: Amount of loan: Term of Loan:	Owner (Borrower) Name: Address: City/State Zip Code: Signature:
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REDEMPTION OF PINE BARRENS CREDITS

When Pine Barrens Credits are redeemed in association with a development project approved by a municipal approving agency, the person redeeming the Pine Barrens Credit shall return this Certificate to the Pine Barrens Credit Clearinghouse within ten (10) business days of their redemption.

Owner (Person Redeeming)
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