

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

CENTRAL PINE BARRENS JOINT PLANNING AND POLICY COMMISSION



In the Matter of the Violation of Article 57 of the New York State Environmental Conservation Law

By:

John Gergela, Respondent

X

X

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT YOU MAY BE IN VIOLATION of New York State Environmental Conservation Law (ECL) Article 57 in that you may have cleared existing vegetation and may have conducted grading and excavation activities in the Core Preservation Area in a manner that constitutes "development" as defined by ECL Article 57 without having obtained the approval of the Central Pine Barrens Joint Planning and Policy Commission (the "Commission").

In addition, please take notice that you may have cleared vegetation and may have conducted grading and excavation activities on the aforesaid parcels of real property in violation of the conditions of conservation easements of which the Commission is the grantee.

The aforementioned alleged violations occurred on the property owned by you and identified by Suffolk County Tax Map Number 200-454-1-8 and property owned by Suffolk County and identified by Suffolk County Tax Map Number 200-454-1-9.1

Please be advised that the above-referenced alleged violations may be punishable by the penalties set forth in §57-0136 of Article 57 of the New York State Environmental Conservation Law and violations of the aforementioned conservation easements are enforceable under the provisions of Title 3, Article 49 of the New York State Environmental Conservation Law and that any injury to or destruction of the natural resources on the aforementioned properties resulting from the above-referenced activities may require restoration.

Please take action to ensure that the above-referenced activities and any other ongoing alleged violations cease immediately and that you undertake no additional activities on the property.

The Commission office will be contacting you in the near future in regard to this matter.

**Central Pine Barrens Joint Planning and Policy Commission
624 Old Riverhead Road
Westhampton Beach, New York 11978**

Dated: May 19, 2017

To:

John Gergela
789 East Bartlett Road
Middle Island, NY 11953