

3.0 RESPONSES TO COMMENTS

This section addresses all comments received during the public comment period on the DEIS, which extended from October 4, 2007 to March 25, 2008. Comments were submitted in writing and were also expressed orally at the DEIS public hearings held on November 17, 2007 and March 5, 2008. Copies of the Public Hearing transcripts are included in Appendices A and B and written comments are included in Appendix C.

Comments are generally organized according to the structure of the DEIS. Where applicable, similar comments have been summarized into one general comment in order to allow a comprehensive response to multiple comments on the same issue. Some of the written and oral comments presented in this section have been paraphrased.

Comment Referencing

Public Hearing Comments

Comments made during the public hearing are referenced by stating the individual's name and the page number of the transcript in parentheses at the end of the comment. For example, a comment made by Mr. John Doe at the Public Hearing is referenced as “[John Doe, Public Hearing Transcript Page XX].”

The following individuals commented on the DEIS at the Public Hearings:

November 17, 2007 Public Hearing:

Patty O'Neil, Resident, Amenia

Tom Flexner, Resident, Amenia

Patrick J. Nelligan, Resident, Amenia

Dan Brown, Resident, Amenia

Sharon Kroeger, Resident, Amenia

Steven Benardete, Resident, Amenia

Betty Rooney, Resident, Amenia

Mark Doyle, Resident, Amenia

Tom Werner, Resident, Amenia

Michael Peek, Resident, Amenia

Bart Wu, Resident, Amenia

Michael Chamberlain, Resident, Amenia Union

Leo Blackman, Resident, Wassaic

Darlene Riemer, Resident, Amenia

Matthew Anderson, Resident, Amenia

Elizabeth Whaley, Resident, Wassaic

Cheryl Morse, Resident, Amenia

Dean Kaye, Resident, Millbrook

Laurence Levin, Resident, Amenia

March 5, 2008 Public Hearing:

Tim Osborne, Resident, Wassaic

Tom Werner, Resident, Amenia

Romia Kimball, Resident, Amenia

William Carroll, Resident, Amenia

Tonia Shoumatoff, Resident, Amenia

Joe Herald, Resident, Amenia

Michael Collins, Resident, Amenia

Steven Benardete, Resident, Amenia

Mark Doyle, Resident, Amenia

Rudolph Eschbach, Resident, Amenia

Wayne Euvrard, Resident, Amenia

David MacMillan, Resident, Town of Northeast

Alan Gamble, Resident, Amenia

Liz Faulkner, Resident, Amenia

Cheryl Morse, Resident, Amenia

Bartle Bull, Resident, Amenia

Jack Gregory, Resident, Amenia

Peter Claire, Resident, Amenia

Elizabeth Whaley, Resident, Wassaic

Patty O'Neil, Resident, Amenia

Aaron Howard, Jr., Resident, Amenia

Written Comments

Within this FEIS, comments that were received in writing are referenced by a unique comment number in no particular order (see list below). In Appendix C, each comment letter is identified by a number in the upper right corner of the front page.

The following individuals commented in writing on the DEIS:

Table 3.0-1, “List of Written Comments on the DEIS”

Letter Number	Name	Date
1	Charlotte Murphy	March 21, 2008
2	Romia Kimball	March 24, 2008
3	Andrew Durbridge	March 14, 2008
4	Arlene Iuliano	March 18, 2008
5	G.A. Mudge (4 pages)	March 19, 2008
6	G.A. Mudge (2 pages)	March 19, 2008
7	G.A. Mudge (26 pages)	March 19, 2008
8	Amy Thompson	March 10, 2008
9	Joseph Ducillo, Jr.	March 5, 2008
10	TJ Hanlon	March 25, 2008
11	Emily Rutgers Fuller	January 25, 2008
12	Jerry Thompson	November 26, 2007
13	Jeffrey Kain & others	February 27, 2008
14	William J. Burke	November 30, 2007
15	Rudolph Eschbach	January 29, 2008
16	Arlouine Wu	October 11, 2007
17	Gerard Quirk, Amenia Fish & Game	November 7, 2007
18	Edward J. Mills, DCWWA	November 16, 2007
19	Robert Balkind, Dutchess County Dept. of Public Works	October 29, 2007
20	Elaine LaBella, Housatonic Valley Association	March 25, 2008
21	NYSDEC	January 14, 2008
22	Sue Gregory	March 25, 2008
23	Donna Reda	March 7, 2008
24	Aaron & Lea Howard	March 3, 2008
25	Mark Doyle	March 24, 2008
26	Sharon Kroeger	March 24, 2008
27	Noela Hooper, Dutchess County Dept. of Planning	March 25, 2008
28	Gerry Rassman	March 25, 2008
29	John Klopp	March 25, 2008
30	Tracy Salladay	March 25, 2008
31	Michael Soyka, Town Engineering Consultant	March 27, 2008
32	Cheryl Morse	March 24, 2008

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Letter Number	Name	Date
33	David Reagon	March 20, 2008
34	Dr. Michael W. Klemens, Town Ecological Consultant	March 18, 2008
35	Tom Werner	March 5, 2008
36	Tim Osborne	March 5, 2008
37	Alan Gamble	March 6, 2008
38	Patrick J. Nelligan	March 24, 2008
39	Steven Benardete	March 24, 2008
40	John A. Duffy	March 25, 2008
41	Bart Wu	March 26, 2008
42	Terence J. Donoghue, NYSDOT	May 1, 2008
43	David Reagon, CAC	February 21, 2007
44	Edward J. Mills, DCWWA	October 31, 2007
45	Darlene Riemer, Amenia Wastewater Committee	January 31, 2008
46	Jerry Thompson	March 7, 2008
47	Tracy Salladay	January 14, 2008
ESC	Environmental Simulation Center, Town Visual Consultant	April 28, 2008
GP	Greenplan, Inc, Town Planning Consultant	April 6, 2008
HG	The Hudson Group, Town Fiscal Consultant	February 14, 2008
MP	Dr. A. Martin Petrovic	July 5, 2008

Substantive comments raised by the public and involved and interested agencies during their review are addressed below. Comments expressed as opinion and/or those that do not concern potential environmental impacts of the project are not required to be incorporated into the FEIS response section, and/or may be responded to with “Comment noted.”

In general, the order and categories of topics follow the outline of the DEIS. Comments concerning no particular section of the DEIS are addressed first.

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