



Memo

To: Town of Gardiner Open Space Committee
From: Melissa Barry, Behan Planning Associates
Date: December 22, 2006
Re: Town of Gardiner Open Space Plan Revisions – December 2006

Dear Committee,

We have reviewed comments received from the public (via the open space committee, various dates), Ulster County Planning Board (memo dated 10/4/06), and the Town of Gardiner Planning Board (memo dated 11/14/06). Attached please find a summary of our response to these comments. The summary also outlines the major edits to the open space plan, by chapter.

The most significant changes to the plan appear in Chapter 5, which outlines the strategic action plan. While the philosophy and major recommendations of this chapter have not changed substantially, the chapter has been modified to provide more detail towards the organization and coordination of town boards, as well as more detail on recommended land conservation tools and financing strategies.

As requested, we will be happy to provide the plan, GIS maps and files, and any other data created for this plan on CD to the town and to Ulster County – once the plan has been adopted and the data are finalized. Please note that the copyright protection included in the plan and maps does not in any way limit the town's use or distribution of the plan, data and maps. Please see our contract for more information on the terms of the copyright.

We are pleased with the progress of Gardiner's plan. We hope that the Town Board will consider adopting the plan at its next meeting.

Thanks for all of your hard work and contributions toward the plan.

Sincerely,

Melissa Barry