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NEWS from the CWC

CWC sponsors training for planning, zoning board members Nov. 19

November 4, 2013 -- The Catskill Watershed Corporation (CWC) will sponsor a training workshop for planning and zoning board members on Tuesday, Nov. 19 at the CWC office, 905 Main St., Margaretville from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Sign-in begins at 6 p.m.

Consultant Peter Manning will provide an "Introduction to the Revised SEQRA Environmental Assessment Forms."

Space is limited and registration is required by November 15. To register, visit www.cwconline.org, or call 845-586-1400.

The workshop is free, and, with municipal approval, may qualify as two hours of State-mandated training. Certificates of attendance will be provided.

The session will discuss the basics of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) and focus on the recently revised Environmental Assessment Forms to be used by municipal planning and zoning boards of appeal to evaluate development projects.

An illustrated review of the new forms, using slides, the NYS DEC website and GIS mapping tools will be featured.

Peter Manning is a planning consultant who has assisted communities in New York State for more than 15 years. He has worked in county government, in non-profit organizations and at the state level as a land-use training specialist, circuit rider and regional planner, focusing on land use issues, recreation and environmental planning, as well as tourism promotion and intermunicipal cooperation.

Manning has a Bachelor of Arts in Geography from the State University at New Paltz and a Master of Landscape Architecture from Cornell University.

The CWC is a non-profit Local Development Corporation responsible for several environmental protection, economic development and education programs in the New York City Watershed West of the Hudson River.

Information on CWC programs and projects, as well as meeting schedules and board agendas, can be found on the corporation's web site: www.cwconline.org. Inquiries are welcome Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the CWC's offices; via email at invest@cwconline.org, and by telephone, toll-free: 877-WAT-SHED (877-928-7433).