



**LAKE • GEORGE
WATERKEEPER®**

PO Box 591, Lake George, NY 12845

Tel: (518) 668-5913 Fax: (518)-668-5915

Email: lgkeeper@nycap.rr.com

www.lakegeorgewaterkeeper.org

June 5, 2008

Mr. Keith Hanchett, Chairman
Town of Lake George Planning Board
Old Post Road
Lake George, NY 12845

Re: BDB of Albany, LLC
Hill Crest (formerly Lake Crest) - # 264.08-27
SP #18-2008

Dear Mr. Hanchett:

The Lake George Waterkeeper has reviewed the submission for the above referenced site plan and would like to offer the following comment regarding the application:

- 1. The changes made to accommodate the requests of the Planning Board to eliminate the driveways exiting to Bloody Pond Road increases the total amount of impermeable surfaces on the site.** Changes made to the site by lengthening the subdivision road and increasing individual driveways decreases the ability for natural infiltration of stormwater runoff. Shared driveways and parking areas would limit the amount of impact to the site by eliminating unnecessary fill and reducing impermeable surfaces.
- 2. The May 8, 2008 changes made to the original sketch plan has included a stormwater management area next to Bloody Pond Road, which shifts the same proposed 24 townhouse density around on the parcel, and in the process unfortunately increases the limits of clearing.** In order to accommodate a stormwater management area next to Bloody Pond Road and to relocate the four driveways that were entering directly onto Bloody Pond Road, a townhouse unit was reduced to three units and moved to exit on the subdivision road. The desire to retain maximum density on this parcel and create a centralized stormwater management area increases the total amount of necessary clearing on this wooded site. Constructing stormwater management closer to the townhouse units would more adequately infiltrate stormwater runoff and treat nutrients and pollutants close to the source.
- 3. Concern for the amount of grading on this site to accommodate the density proposed alters natural hydrologic features of the land.**

Thank you for your consideration. The Lake George Waterkeeper looks forward to working with the Town of Lake George Planning Board in defending the natural resources of Lake George and its watershed.

Sincerely,

Christopher Navitsky, PE
Lake George Waterkeeper

cc: Brian Grisi – Adirondack Park Agency
Michael White – Lake George Park Commission



THE FUND for LAKE GEORGE