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December 14, 2009

Mr. Greg Smith, Chairman
Town of Bolton Zoning Board of Appeals
4949 Lakeshore Drive
Bolton Landing, NY 12814

**Re: Kudlack (141.00-1-3.11)
V09-59**

Dear Mr. Smith:

The above referenced variance application was personally reviewed in my capacity as a licensed professional engineer and the Lake George Waterkeeper. I would like to offer the following comment and related concerns to the Board for its consideration:

Alternatives

A central part of the criteria for granting a variance is an analysis of all alternatives, including the variance requested as an option. Viable alternatives do not seem to have been provided, such as relocating the residence further south in the field in the southerly field, a reconfigured residence, among others. These alternatives should be discussed prior to further increasing impervious surfaces that have negative water quality impacts within the protective stream corridor established by the Town of Bolton in its Conservation District.

Application Requirements

The application lacks a plan detailing the variance requested and where the proposed structure will be located. This information is necessary for the proper evaluation of the variance request.

Stormwater Management Plan Certification

The Town of Bolton Stormwater Permit requires a post-construction certification by a licensed professional for major stormwater projects. Based on the photograph provided in the application, it does not appear the driveway is properly graded and super-elevated for runoff to be directed to the stormwater conveyance swale. This results in reduced stormwater management and runoff impacts to the stream located on the property.

The Lake George Waterkeeper recommends additional planting to reduce negative impacts of increased impervious cover within the protective area required by the Town of Bolton Code and the requirement of post-construction certification of the stormwater management facilities.



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The Lake George Waterkeeper to looks forward to working with the Town of Bolton Zoning Board of Appeals to defend the natural resources of Lake George and its watershed. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chris Navitsky". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Christopher Navitsky, P.E.
Lake George Waterkeeper

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