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To Members of the Planning Board:

Please include this letter as comments for public record at the February 1, 2018 Planning Board Meeting.

The Saratoga Lake Protection and Improvement District discussed the site draft site plans for the redevelopment of the Lake Local parcel on Route 9P in the Saratoga Springs. At this stage of planning process there needs to be a more presentation of the actual development plan to demonstrate compliance with the Saratoga Springs site plan rules. SLPID offers the following observations

- A complete analysis of the demand for parking for all the proposed uses is needed, including parking to support boat docks,
- Stormwater analysis needs to be completed and needs to consider seasonal high water table, development on steep slopes, methods to recharge storm water and avoiding sheet flow from the parking lot to the lake,
- The use porous pavement needs to be fully evaluated
- Developing tent platforms on steep slopes will create the potential for rill erosion, platforms will need stabilized gravel recharge areas under and around the platform which will create more disturbance on slopes,
- The arrangement of the docks needs to be re-design reduce the number of boat slips, eliminate interference with navigation space under the 9P bridge and account for the rough water due to the lack of protection winds crossing the entire length of the lake to the south,
- The site development needs to follow the guidance in Clean Marina <http://www.seagrant.sunysb.edu/marinabmp/> this is the New York State document but newer versions are available from other states
- Traffic on 9P is a concern since the rowing club is across the street and there is frequent traffic congestion in this area due to the rowing club, and vehicles towing boats going to the boat launch,
- The letter from NYSDEC only approved the placement of concrete anchors to hold the floating docks and should not be interpreted as an approval for a specific number of docks.

Sincerely,

Cristina A Connolly  
SLPID, Chair

