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Borough of Morris Plains Planning Board

531 Speedwell Avenue
Morris Plains, NJ 07950
Attention: Karen Coffey, Board Secretary

Re: Permit Application for Soil Disturbance, PB-6-20
Morris Plains Holding UE LLC
Block 161 Lot 1 and 3
1704, 1705, 1711 Route 10 East
Morris Plains, NJ 07950
FPA No. 11608.007

Dear Ms. Coffey:

I have reviewed the Planning Board Application and attached Preliminary and Final Site Plan for Briarcliff Commons dated 12/22/20. The Applicant has requested a soil disturbance permit for the importation of clean backfill regarding the construction of a new building on proposed restaurant pad D.

In reference to the above Soil Disturbance Permit application the Applicant is requesting an importation of 1000 cubic yards of clean stone from the Braen Stone Quarry in Lafayette, NJ, and has furnished a clean fill certification in compliance with §19-3(q).

The application does not however, address the subject of soil *export*. The Site Plan shows the construction of a 3500 square foot restaurant, and associated facilities including utilities, curbing, lighting, and a sub surface grease trap. The grading plan SP-6 notes that the “contractor is responsible for completing all cut and fill calculations”, and “all topsoil shall be removed from the construction area”. In my estimation, excess soil will be generated during construction producing a net volume of soil which will need to be exported from the site. This omission needs to be addressed by the Applicant.

Based on my review I recommend that the Soil Disturbance Permit application be deemed incomplete, pending review and comments from the Borough Engineer.



Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joseph D. Norton". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being the most prominent.

Joseph Norton, LSRP
Borough Soil Consultant

C: L. Hall via email
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