

TOMPKINS COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

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Resolution 2017-01_Recommending an amendment to the UNA Inventory document consisting of boundary revisions to 31 UNAs

- 1. **Whereas**, the Unique Natural Areas Inventory of Tompkins County, New York, includes an extensive database, GIS coverage, and reports on 194 sites determined to contain significant ecological, biological, geological or aesthetic characteristics, and
- 2. **Whereas**, the UNA committee proposes boundary revision updates to 31 UNAs (listed below), and
- 3. **Whereas**, these revisions are based primarily on updated aerial photography and GIS technology, which greatly facilitate conforming these new boundaries to edge of vegetation and /or land contours, and/or to changes in land cover observed during, or since, the last field visit, and
- 4. **Whereas**, these revisions are also based on inclusion of wetlands data, which were updated in 2015, and inclusion of newly protected lands (e.g., nature preserves), and
- 5. **Whereas**, these revisions include the addition (where available) of avian information based on the Ebird dataset, herpefauna censuses, large mammal census data and updated plant rarity status, and
- 6. **Whereas**, these boundary changes increase the acreage of these UNAs from 4,227 acres to 4,548 acres, a net increase of 7.6 %, now therefore let it be
- 7. **Resolved**, that the EMC approves amending the UNA Inventory to include these boundary revisions to these 31 UNAs:

UNA 01 Lansingville Swamp 80 Webster Creek Swamp 28 **Ludlowville Woods** 35 Cemetery Lane Rich Woods 38 **Upper Fall Creek Corridor** 47 Morris Road Woods 54 Minnegar Brook Woods 55 **Lower Salmon Creek** 59 **Hart Woods** 63 Shurger Glen 64 Lake Cliffs, South of Portland Point 67 **Dryden-Lansing Swamp** 71 Mill Dam Marsh, Freeville 74 **Ed Hill Road Trillium Woods** 79 Woodwardia Woods 88 Airport Ponds, Wetland 98 The Hog Hole **Palmer Woods** 104 109 Fall Creek Hemlock Grove 110 Etna Bird Sanctuary (Etna Marsh) 112 Dryden Peat Swamp 115 **Dryden Bogs** 129 McGowan Woods 133 **Thomas Road Wetlands** 151 **Larch Meadows** 158 Caroline Swamp (Slaterville Swamp) 159 **Buffalo Road Rich Woods** 161 Middaugh Woods 166 **Key Hill Swamp Preserve and Seven Springs** 187 **Headwaters Swamp** West Danby Creek, South Branch Woods 189

Date: January 12, 2017

Voting in the Affirmative: Opposed: Abstentions: