## The Board of County Commissioners of the County of Monmouth

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Dear Municipal Cross-Acceptance Partner,

The State Planning Commission (SPC) has announced its intention to update the New Jersey State Development and Redevelopment Plan (the State Plan). As part of the update process, the SPC is currently drafting a **Preliminary State Development and Redevelopment Plan** (**Preliminary Plan**) with an anticipated publishing date of April 8, 2024. Publication of the Preliminary State Plan marks the official kick-off of the State's Cross-Acceptance (CA) process.

The Monmouth County Planning Board, and by extension the Planning Division will be responsible for working with all fifty-three (53) of our municipal partners in evaluating proposed State Plan maps and policy documents. Once the Preliminary State Plan and associated data is released, our office will arrange meetings with groups of neighboring municipalities in May and June to go over the process in finer detail. Municipalities will be given an opportunity to request one-on-one meetings with County team members should the need arise during the Cross-Acceptance process.

## In the meantime, please complete the following actions by April 8, 2024:

- Create a Cross-Acceptance Committee: Please designate a committee of five or fewer to assist the municipality through Cross-Acceptance, and provide their names, titles, emails and other relevant contact information to <u>StatePlanUpdate@co.monmouth.nj.us</u>. Members do not need to be assigned by municipal resolution.
- Designate Primary Point of Contact: Designate one member of the Cross-Acceptance Committee as the primary correspondent and official representative of the municipality. Please assign only one person to this role with a backup person, if necessary.

3. **Data Submission:** Please forward any digital zoning and/or land use maps and GIS data to the dedicated project email (<u>StatePlanUpdate@co.monmouth.nj.us</u>) so we may compare it to our information and the Preliminary State Plan. This information may be located in-house or with your planning or engineering consultants.

I want to thank you for partnering with us in this endeavor. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Monmouth County's CA team at <a href="mailto:StatePlanUpdate@co.monmouth.nj.us.">StatePlanUpdate@co.monmouth.nj.us.</a>

Kindest regards,

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