Short Environmental Assessment Form Part 1 - Project Information

Instructions for Completing

Part 1 – Project Information. The applicant or project sponsor is responsible for the completion of Part 1. Responses become part of the application for approval or funding, are subject to public review, and may be subject to further verification. Complete Part 1 based on information currently available. If additional research or investigation would be needed to fully respond to any item, please answer as thoroughly as possible based on current information.

Complete all items in Part 1. You may also provide any additional information which you believe will be needed by or useful to the lead agency; attach additional pages as necessary to supplement any item.

Part 1 – Project and Sponsor Information

Name of Action or Project:

Hillside Woods and Park Restoration Project

Project Location (describe, and attach a location map):

Hillside Woods and Hillside Park, Village of Hastings-on-Hudson

Brief Description of Proposed Action:

The Hillside Woods and Park project outlines a process to restore Hillside Woods and Park to a healthy eastern woodlands. The woodlands are in a severely deteriorated condition, which is in large part triggered by the combination of overpopulation of deer, competing invasive plants, and light on the forest floor. The restoration process will begin with the removal of invasive plants and hazard trees threatening to overrun the forest. After these plants have been controlled, deer exclosure fence will be erected to keep the deer population from over browsing the understory and decimating native plants. Lastly, select native trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants will be planted to restore diversity and aid in the regeneration of the forest

Name of Applicant or Sponsor:	Applicant or Sponsor: Telephone: 914-478-3400			
Village of Hastings-on-Hudson	Hastings-on-Hudson E-Mail: villagemanager@hastingsgov.org			
Address:	·			
7 Maple Avenue				
City/PO: State: Zip			:	
Hastings-on-Hudson NY 10706				
1. Does the proposed action only involve the legislative adoption of a plan, local law, ordinance, administrative rule, or regulation? NO YE				YES
If Yes, attach a narrative description of the intent of the proposed action and the environmental resources that may be affected in the municipality and proceed to Part 2. If no, continue to question 2.				
2. Does the proposed action require a permit, approval or funding from any other government Agency? NO YES				YES
If Yes, list agency(s) name and permit or approval: DASNY SAM grant funding				\checkmark
3. a. Total acreage of the site of the proposed action? approx. 80 acres				
b. Total acreage to be physically disturbed?N/A acres				
c. Total acreage (project site and any contiguous properties) owned or controlled by the applicant or project sponsor? <u>84</u> acres				
4. Check all land uses that occur on, are adjoining or near the proposed action:				
5. Urban 🗌 Rural (non-agriculture) 🗌 Industrial 🔲 Commerci	al 🔽 Residential (subur	ban)		
Forest Agriculture Aquatic I Other(Spe	cify): School			
✓ Parkland				

5. Is the proposed action, N	0	YES	N/A
a. A permitted use under the zoning regulations?		\checkmark	
b. Consistent with the adopted comprehensive plan?		\checkmark	
		NO	YES
6. Is the proposed action consistent with the predominant character of the existing built or natural landscape?			\checkmark
7. Is the site of the proposed action located in, or does it adjoin, a state listed Critical Environmental Area?		NO	YES
If Yes, identify:		\checkmark	\square
		NO	YES
8. a. Will the proposed action result in a substantial increase in traffic above present levels?	-		
b. Are public transportation services available at or near the site of the proposed action?	-		
c. Are any pedestrian accommodations or bicycle routes available on or near the site of the proposed action?	_		
9. Does the proposed action meet or exceed the state energy code requirements?		NO	YES
If the proposed action will exceed requirements, describe design features and technologies:			
N/A			
10. Will the proposed action connect to an existing public/private water supply?		NO	YES
If No, describe method for providing potable water:	-		
N/A	_		
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11. Will the proposed action connect to existing wastewater utilities?	ļ	NO	YES
If No, describe method for providing wastewater treatment:			
N/A			
12. a. Does the project site contain, or is it substantially contiguous to, a building, archaeological site, or district	\rightarrow	NO	YES
which is listed on the National or State Register of Historic Places, or that has been determined by the Commissioner of the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to be eligible for listing on the	-	\Box	
State Register of Historic Places?	-		
b. Is the project site, or any portion of it, located in or adjacent to an area designated as sensitive for archaeological sites on the NY State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) archaeological site inventory?			
13. a. Does any portion of the site of the proposed action, or lands adjoining the proposed action, contain wetlands or other waterbodies regulated by a federal, state or local agency?		NO	YES
b. Would the proposed action physically alter, or encroach into, any existing wetland or waterbody?	-		
If Yes, identify the wetland or waterbody and extent of alterations in square feet or acres:			
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14. Identify the typical habitat types that occur on, or are likely to be found on the project site. Check all that apply:			
Shoreline 🖌 Forest 🗌 Agricultural/grasslands 🔲 Early mid-successional			
✓ Wetland □ Urban □ Suburban			
15. Does the site of the proposed action contain any species of animal, or associated habitats, listed by the State or	NO	YES	
Federal government as threatened or endangered?			
16. Is the project site located in the 100-year flood plan?	NO	YES	
	\checkmark		
17. Will the proposed action create storm water discharge, either from point or non-point sources?	NO	YES	
If Yes,			
a. Will storm water discharges flow to adjacent properties?			
b. Will storm water discharges be directed to established conveyance systems (runoff and storm drains)? If Yes, briefly describe:			
18. Does the proposed action include construction or other activities that would result in the impoundment of water or other liquids (e.g., retention pond, waste lagoon, dam)?	NO	YES	
If Yes, explain the purpose and size of the impoundment:			
	\checkmark		
19. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the location of an active or closed solid waste management facility?	NO	YES	
If Yes, describe:			
	\checkmark		
20.Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the subject of remediation (ongoing or	NO	YES	
completed) for hazardous waste?	NO	YES	
If Yes, describe:	\checkmark		
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I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ABOVE IS TRUE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF			
MY KNOWLEDGE	,1 01		
Applicant/sponsor/name: Village of Hastings-on-Hudson Date:			

Project: Date:

Short Environmental Assessment Form Part 2 - Impact Assessment

Part 2 is to be completed by the Lead Agency.

Answer all of the following questions in Part 2 using the information contained in Part 1 and other materials submitted by the project sponsor or otherwise available to the reviewer. When answering the questions the reviewer should be guided by the concept "Have my responses been reasonable considering the scale and context of the proposed action?"

		No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
1.	Will the proposed action create a material conflict with an adopted land use plan or zoning regulations?	\checkmark	
2.	Will the proposed action result in a change in the use or intensity of use of land?	\checkmark	
3.	Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of the existing community?	\checkmark	
4.	Will the proposed action have an impact on the environmental characteristics that caused the establishment of a Critical Environmental Area (CEA)?	\checkmark	
5.	Will the proposed action result in an adverse change in the existing level of traffic or affect existing infrastructure for mass transit, biking or walkway?	\checkmark	
6.	Will the proposed action cause an increase in the use of energy and it fails to incorporate reasonably available energy conservation or renewable energy opportunities?	\checkmark	
7.	Will the proposed action impact existing: a. public / private water supplies?	\checkmark	
	b. public / private wastewater treatment utilities?	\checkmark	
8.	Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of important historic, archaeological, architectural or aesthetic resources?	\checkmark	
9.	Will the proposed action result in an adverse change to natural resources (e.g., wetlands, waterbodies, groundwater, air quality, flora and fauna)?	\checkmark	
10.	Will the proposed action result in an increase in the potential for erosion, flooding or drainage problems?	\checkmark	
11.	Will the proposed action create a hazard to environmental resources or human health?	\checkmark	

Agency Use Only [If applicable]

Project: Date: _____

Short Environmental Assessment Form Part 3 Determination of Significance

For every question in Part 2 that was answered "moderate to large impact may occur", or if there is a need to explain why a particular element of the proposed action may or will not result in a significant adverse environmental impact, please complete Part 3. Part 3 should, in sufficient detail, identify the impact, including any measures or design elements that have been included by the project sponsor to avoid or reduce impacts. Part 3 should also explain how the lead agency determined that the impact may or will not be significant. Each potential impact should be assessed considering its setting, probability of occurring, duration, irreversibility, geographic scope and magnitude. Also consider the potential for short-term, long-term and cumulative impacts.

The proposed action is intended to restore and improve the condition of the natural environment.

Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, that the proposed action may result in one or more potentially large or significant adverse impacts and an				
environmental impact statement is required.				
Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, that the proposed action will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts.				
Village of Hastings-on-Hudson Board of Trustees				
Name of Lead Agency	Date			
Mary Beth Murphy	Village Manager			
Print or Type Name of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency	Title of Responsible Officer			
Signature of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency	Signature of Preparer (if different from Responsible Officer)			