PUBLIC SCOPING HEARING NOTICE

TAKE NOTICE that Hudson County has contacted the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) Green Acres Program, proposing to permanently divert approximately 2.445 acres of a wetland area in Hudson County's Laurel Hill Park (Block 1, Lot 3 in the Town of Secaucus), for the construction and operation of the Portal North Bridge. The purpose of the overall Portal North Bridge Project, sponsored by NJ TRANSIT, is to replace the aging Portal Bridge and eliminate the associated capacity constraints on the Northeast Corridor.

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:36-26.8(a) and N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13.5 et seq., a scoping hearing to obtain public comment on this request will be held via Zoom Meeting on:

Wednesday, November 4, 2020 from 7 P.M. to 9 P.M.

All interested parties who wish to attend the above hearing may choose one of the following options:

Topic: Portal North Bridge Green Acres Public Scoping Meeting
Date/Time: Wednesday, November 4, 2020 from 7 P.M. to 9 P.M.

Join Zoom Meeting:
https://zoom.us/j/96244247791?pwd=WDJYN2ZXcllacHdwZWNWbUFwUGV3UT09
Passcode: 355170

Or

Dial by Phone: (646) 558-8656, Meeting ID: 962 4424 7791, Password: 355170

If the Governor's Executive Order is lifted by the time of the scoping hearing, an in-person meeting may be held. In that event, a meeting location and all other project updates will be posted on Hudson County's website.

In addition to oral comments presented during the scoping hearing, written comments may be submitted to the agencies listed below. Written comments should be submitted to Hudson County, with a copy to the NJDEP Green Acres Program at the following addresses:

David B. Drumeler, Esq.
Hudson County Deputy Administrator
County of Hudson
567 Pavonia Ave. - 4th Floor
Jersey City, NJ 07306

NJ Department of Environmental Protection
Green Acres Program, Bureau of Legal Services and Stewardship
501 East State Street, 1st Floor
Mail Code 501-01, P.O. Box 420,
Trenton, NJ 08625-0420
Attention: Hudson County Steward

Duplicate comments can also be submitted to PortalBridgeDiversion@hcnj.us. Public comment on this diversion request will be accepted during the scoping hearing and until Wednesday, November 18, 2020, which is two weeks after the scoping hearing.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13.5 et seq., the County has prepared a written report setting forth the reasons for, and all advantages and disadvantages of the proposed diversion, including the environmental and recreational impacts and the environmental and economic value of said diversion. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13.5(a)(2), the report is available on: http://www.hudsoncountynj.org/.

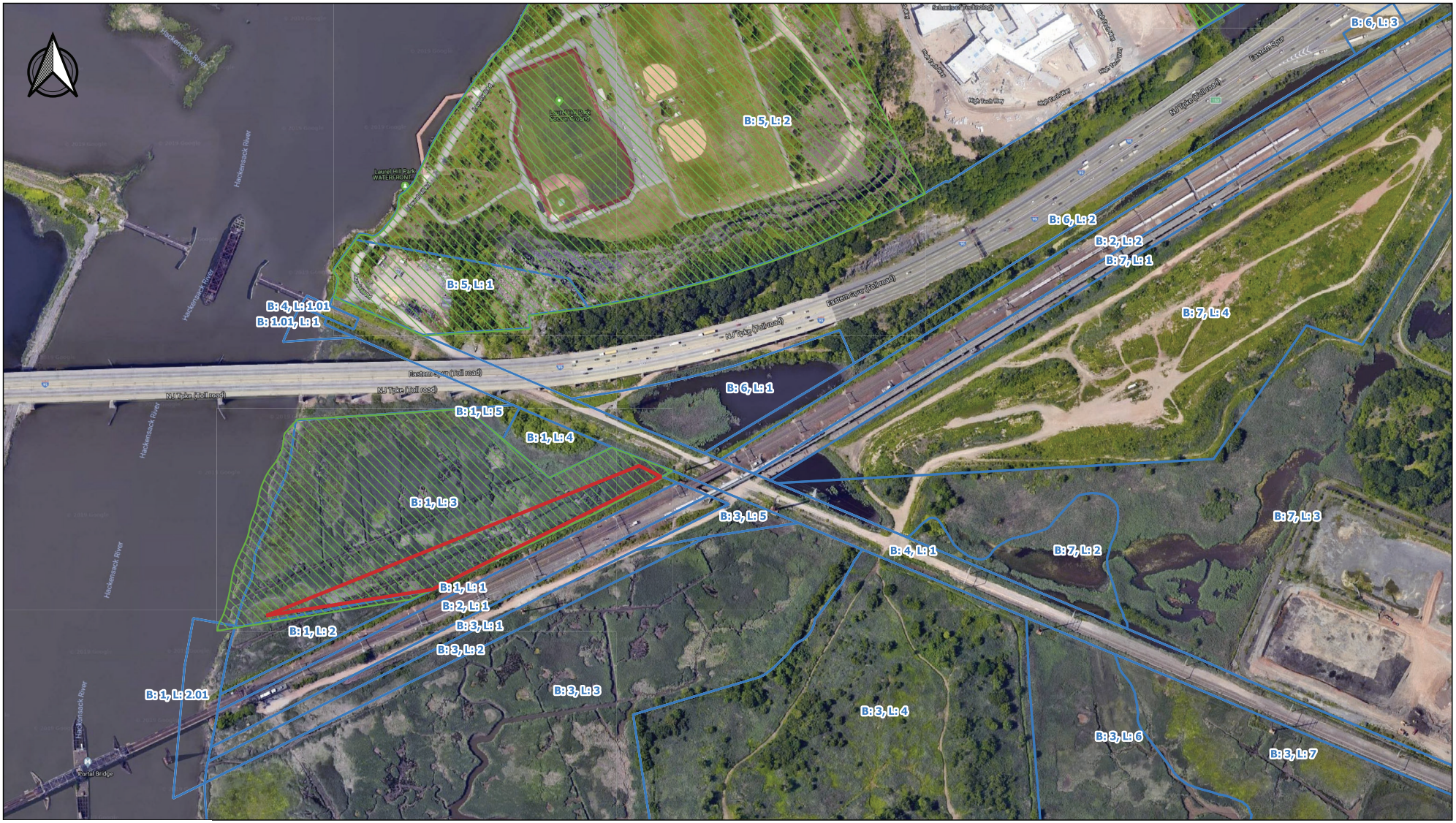
Si necesita una traducción, por favor comuníquese con PortalBridgeDiversion@hcnj.us.

Diversion Area
Laurel Hill Park

0 750 1500 ft

Portal North Bridge
Hudson County

Figure 1
Aerial Map



Diversion Area
Laurel Hill Park
Block and Lot

0 500 1000 1500 2000 2500 ft

Portal North Bridge

Hudson County

Figure 2

Tax Map