

Philmont Waterfront District
for the
SUMMIT LAKE RESERVOIR BOA AREA
Village of Philmont

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Project Consultant Team:

- Elan Planning, PLLC <http://www.elanpd.com/>
- Elan.3 Consulting
- Economic Transformations Group, Inc.
- CT Male Associates (Engineering)
- Harris Beach PLLC (Attorneys)
- HydroPower Consulting (Hydro power assessment)
- Renewage Inc (Water filtration feasibility study – Summit Lake)

Project website: www.pbinc.org/summit

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1. The feasibility report for the potential of hydro power for Summit Dam is completed and available on the project web site at <http://www.pbinc.org/summit>

The study provides 3 different options for the installation of hydro power replacing the historic use of hydropower utilizing the flow of water from the creek, Summit Lake, the dam, and the falls. The report additionally outlines the procedure involved to restore hydropower to the dam, the costs involved, and the various steps to be taken, including the required protection of the natural habitat.

2. We are anticipating the completion of the Renewage, Inc., feasibility study within the next 10 days. This report, commissioned as a part of the BOA project, is integral to addressing the current diminished flow of water in the creek and lake and will address remediation measures required to address current conditions in the lake due to the overgrowth of plant life, the erosion of the creek and lake banks which is adding to the build up of the delta, and the required restoration of the wetlands at the easterly section of the lake aimed at a natural

water filtration method.

3. Elan Planning is currently working on finishing up the draft of the BOA plan document which they anticipate will be completed within the next six weeks ready for Village Board review and follow up meetings with the Steering Committee and Village Board for comments. The draft will additionally be reviewed for comment(s) by the Department of State BOA program.

4. PBI is currently discussing a possible grant extension of time with the BOA agency in order for Elan Planning to complete the required scope of work to finish the plan document, take comments, and to allow sufficient time for PBI and the Village to close out the grant requiring a customary grant audit and exit report. At this time it appears the grant period requires an additional six month extension.

5. PBI would like to thank retiring Trustee Barbara Sagal for her steadfast commitment to the BOA project dating back to September 2010 when the project was first discussed in a public hearing held in the Village Hall attended by a significant number of community members and the Village Board, and for her long history of serving the village as a Trustee.

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SUMMARY OF THE SUMMIT LAKE RESERVOIR AREA PLAN PROJECT

The primary community objectives to be achieved by this project include: creating a sustainable community in Philmont and the Summit Lake Reservoir Area, to minimize immediate and long-term impacts on the environment. Because this project is a district wide revitalization strategy based on existing brownfield sites, the plan will be largely driven by the reuse potential of these strategic sites as catalysts for revitalization. A key component of this project is to engage the community to help create a community-based plan that builds both momentum and ownership among the residents, businesses and elected leaders of Philmont.

Project Objectives:

The primary community revitalization objectives to be achieved by this project include, among other objectives:

1. Creating a sustainable community in Philmont and the Summit Lake Reservoir Area to minimize immediate and long-term impacts on the environment.
2. Creating a community-based informed revitalization blue print for the area to include a thorough and in-depth analysis of existing conditions in the area.
3. Producing an economic analysis that recognizes current trends in Philmont, such as, local farming, farm based education, alternative health care and practitioners, and the resurgence of fine craft based enterprises.
4. Produce a plan for the reuse potential for properties located in the area with an emphasis on the identification and reuse potential of strategic brownfield sites as catalysts for revitalization.