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Sloatsburg Zoning Board of Appeals  
Village Hall  
96 Orange Turnpike  
Sloatsburg, NY 10974

**Tax Data:** 39.30-2-17.

**Re: GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW REVIEW:** Section 239 L and M

**Map Date:** 3/16/2015

**Date Review Received:** 4/24/2015

**Item:** *ABE FISCH (SL-215A)*

Variances to permit construction of a single-family dwelling located in the R-40 zoning district on .39 acres. Since the parcel is a pre-existing, non-conforming lot, Section 54-84E of the Village of Sloatsburg Zoning Ordinance allows usage of the R-15 bulk requirements to be applied. Required variances include: less than the required lot area; greater than permitted development coverage and floor area ratio.

Southwest side of Woodland Road, northeast side of Council Crest Road (both currently paper streets); just south of the junction of Hillside Road and Council Crest Road

**Reason for Referral:**

Wrightman's Plateau

The County of Rockland Department of Planning has reviewed the above item. Acting under the terms of the above GML powers and those vested by the County of Rockland Charter, I, the Commissioner of Planning, hereby:

***\*Recommend the following modifications***

- 1 A review must be completed by the County of Rockland Division of Environmental Resources and any concerns addressed.
- 2 Given the steepness of the site, and the need for variances for development coverage, pervious pavers must be used wherever possible to reduce the paved surface area and stormwater runoff.

  
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Douglas J. Schuetz  
Acting Commissioner of Planning

cc: Mayor Carl Wright, Sloatsburg  
Rockland County Division of Environmental Resources

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*\*NYS General Municipal Law Section 239 requires a vote of a 'majority plus one' of your agency to act contrary to the above findings.*

*The review undertaken by the Rockland County Planning Department is pursuant to, and follows the mandates of Article 12-B of the New York General Municipal Law. Under Article 12-B the County of Rockland does not render opinions, nor does it make determinations, whether the item reviewed implicates the Religious Land Use and Institutionalized Persons Act. The Rockland County Planning Department defers to the municipality forwarding the item reviewed to render such opinions and make such determinations if appropriate under the circumstances.*

*In this respect, municipalities are advised that under the Religious Land Use and Institutionalized Persons Act, the preemptive force of any provision of the Act may be avoided (1) by changing a policy or practice that may result in a substantial burden on religious exercise, (2) by retaining a policy or practice and exempting the substantially burdened religious exercise, (3) by providing exemptions from a policy or practice for applications that substantially burden religious exercise, or (4) by any other means that eliminates the substantial burden.*

*Proponents of projects are advised to apply for variances, special permits or exceptions, hardship approval or other relief.*