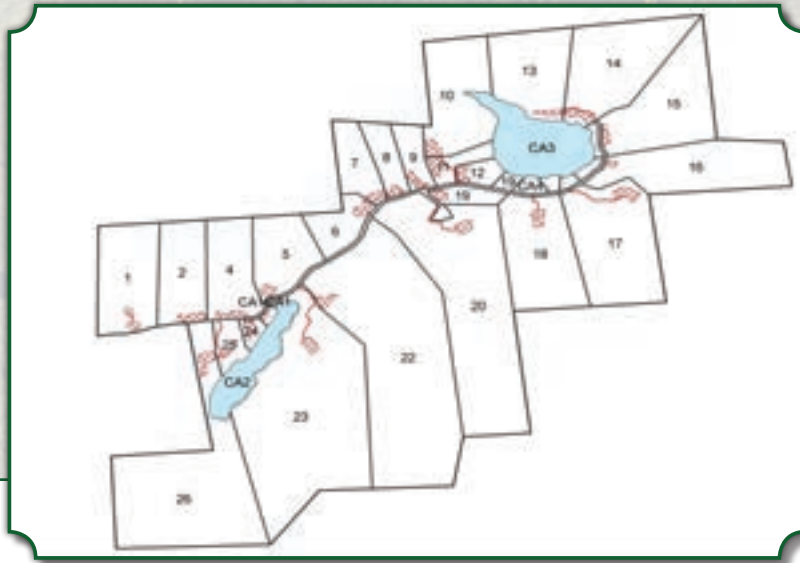




## A “PRETTY GOOD JOB” AT APA? THINK AGAIN.



Woodworth and Hines Lakes  
fragmented by APA permit in 2015

In November 2019 the Adirondack Park Agency reported they did a “pretty good job” in reviewing the largest subdivisions since 2012 and complained that a proposed conservation subdivision design bill “risks lowering our standards.”

APA’s “pretty good” standard is allowing large lot sprawl development in the most sensitive private lands with insufficient ecological data, no conservation design and no conservation easement.

APA is fragmenting too much of the Adirondack Park. APA touts the quantity of open space in its permits and ignores its design, quality, connectedness and utility for wildlife, open space recreation and forestry.

APA knows better. They should welcome the pending legislation so that conservation design principles are codified and consistently applied. The bill provides what is needed: robust ecological data, conceptual designs, clustering of homes and unbroken blocks of open space.

Please call and write Governor Cuomo and your State Senator. Ask them to pass and sign Conservation Subdivision Design bill legislation in 2020 (Senate bill 6484, Assembly bill 8123-a).

- Governor Cuomo: [www.governor.ny.gov](http://www.governor.ny.gov) or 518-474-8390
- Your State Senator: [www.nysenate.gov](http://www.nysenate.gov)

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