



# KEEP IT RURAL

Part of 105 acres of designated Rural Use near Lake Vanare. Photo by Dave Gibson

**At Issue:** The Adirondack Park Agency is being asked to rezone 105 acres of private land near Lake Vanare from Rural Use to Moderate Intensity. That means going from a possible 75 buildings per square mile to 500 buildings/sq.mi. The rationale is to maximize development on an already heavily developed lakefront and along the Rt. 9N corridor in Lake Luzerne. The Rural Use land was zoned correctly. It is part of an 18,000-acre block of Rural Use, with wetlands, streams and valuable forest ecosystems. As the APA Act states, “Rural Use areas help to “provide the essential open space atmosphere that characterizes the Adirondack Park.”

**The Fallout:** Ever more intense development means; more habitat fragmentation, more freshwater pollution, more carbon emissions, and more expensive “mitigation measures” once the damage is done.

**Contact the APA today.**

**Ask that the 105 acres near Lake Vanare (Town of Lake Luzerne) remain as Rural Use.**

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