

**STATE OF NEW YORK: SULLIVAN COUNTY  
MUNICIPALITY: TOWN OF THOMPSON**

**Proposed Lead Agency:** Town of Thompson Planning Board  
**Name of Action/Project:** BBIS Auto Auction  
Proposed Auto Auction and Salvage Yard

**RESPONSE TO REQUEST THAT THE ABOVE  
NAMED AGENCY SERVE AS LEAD AGENCY  
REGARDING THE ABOVE ACTION**

On behalf of NYS Dept. of Transportation (involved agency), I acknowledge receipt of the lead agency notice in this matter.

The above named involved agency hereby (Please check one)

- CONSENTS that the above named agency serve as lead agency in this application, and requests that the undersigned continue to be notified of SEQR determinations, proceedings and hearings in this matter.
- DOES NOT CONSENT to the above named agency serving as lead agency in this application and wishes that \_\_\_\_\_ serve as lead agency. To contest lead agency designation, the undersigned intends to follow the procedures outlined in 6 N.Y.C.R.R. 617.6(e).
- TAKES NO POSITION on Lead Agency designation.

**DATED:** February 20, 2020

New York State Department of Transportation

Agency Name

By:

  
(signature)

Kathryn Mangan

(signer's name printed)

**Please hand deliver or return by FAX or email to:**

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Town of Thompson  
4052 Route 42  
Monticello, NY 12701  
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# Department of Transportation

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Regional Director

February 20, 2020

Town of Thompson  
Planning Department  
4052 Route 42  
Monticello, NY 12701

Attn: Lou Kiefer, Planning Board Chair

Dear Mr. Kiefer:

**RE: SEQR LEAD AGENCY DESIGNATION  
BBIS AUTO AUCTION AND SALVAGE YARD  
SEQR #20-001**

As indicated on the attached notice, the Department concurs with the Town of Thompson Planning Board serving as Lead Agency for the subject project. Please continue to consider the Department as an Involved Agency with regard to notifications and review of site plans and project documents, especially activities that pertain to, or impact, State Routes 17 and 17B.

Provided below are preliminary comments with respect to the project's proposed development:

- As indicated in the Lead Agency Notice, the project is not proposing access to State Route 17B. Therefore, no access should be permitted via the existing farm drive on State Route 17B. Any barriers used to prevent access should be installed within the site, and not within the State right-of-way. Any work required within the right-of-way to close the farm drive will require a Highway Work Permit prior to commencement. Please visit [www.dot.ny.gov/permits](http://www.dot.ny.gov/permits) or contact Cathy Niederriter in the Region 9 Permit Office at (607) 721-8082 for more information regarding the Department's permit process;
- A copy of the draft Environmental Impact Statement or Negative Declaration will need to be submitted for the Department's review and comment, and a copy of the final Environmental Impact Statement or Negative Declaration will also need to be submitted to the Department prior to the issuance of Highway Work Permit(s);
- As this project will result in the addition of more than 2,000 square feet of impervious surface on the site, the applicant will be required to submit a drainage study, completed by a licensed engineer. Drainage study requirements can be found at [www.dot.ny.gov/permits](http://www.dot.ny.gov/permits);
- The Department will require documentation that demonstrates contaminants from the site will not be discharged to the State right-of-way;

- Nothing may be placed within the State right-of-way, including signage;
- No vehicles shall be parked in the state right-of-way, including commercial trailers;
- The Department will require anticipated trip generation figures for the full-build condition of the site;
- In accordance with Code of Federal Regulations Chapter 23, Section 751, the applicant shall provide a visual buffer, such as vegetative screening, obscuring the view of the facility from nearby homes and businesses, as well as from NYS Route 17B and other public rights-of-way.

Please note that additional comments may be provided as part of the SEQR process and Sullivan County's §239 review process. If there are any other questions pertaining to this response, please contact Kathryn Mangan of our Regional Planning and Program Management Office at (607) 721-8254.

Sincerely,

*for* Pamela M. Eshbaugh, P.E.  
Regional Planning & Program Manager

PME/KAM/jmt

Encl.

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 E. Mall, Sullivan County Resident Engineer  
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