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TO: Brian Morrell, President, Canal Society of New Jersey  
Laura Szwak, Member Board of Directors, Canal Society of New Jersey

FROM: Mayor Ted Husa, Denville Township

DATE: January 11, 2008

RE: Muriel Hepner Park Extension

Dear Mr. Morrell and Ms. Szwak:

Per our recent discussion, may I reiterate with you Denville Township's intention to enhance and add to our recent Open Space purchases in the vicinity of Mary Avenue, west of Diamond Spring Road. As we also discussed that area is a former site of the Historic Morris Canal and it is clearly visible in many places. The canal is also visible today in other parts of town, making Denville a prime location for historic preservation and passive recreation.

Our Open Space/Community Development Specialist, Mary Ann Cuneo has a working list of parcels under consideration. I would like to meet with you at your convenience to tour this area and view these parcels and discuss a partnering relationship for acquisition of these and possibly other potential sites.

Denville has currently an active program of land acquisition. Partnering with the Canal Society of New Jersey is an active way for us to enhance Denville's park system and preserve this important chapter of Denville's history. As such I look forward to meeting with you.