STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARATION

A State of Emergency is hereby declared in Schoharie County effective at 12:00

Noon on 25 April 2025

This State of Emergency has been declared due to:

The County of Schoharie is experiencing concerns raised by the agricultural community and others regarding the use of biosolids (the accumulated semisolids or solids resulting from treatment of wastewater from publicly or privately owned or operated sewage treatment plants) laden with PFA's, heavy metals and other industrial waste. Due to the following concerns:

- 1. Monitoring, regulation and enforcement
- 2. Fast changing/conflicting regulatory landscape
- 3. Using an out of state waste
- 4. Lack of clear scientific understanding consensus
- 5. Uncertainty regarding how much of the product is being used in Schoharie County

This situation threatens public safety.

This State of Emergency will remain in effect until rescinded by a subsequent order.

As the Chief Executive of Schoharie County

I, William A. Federice, exercise the authority given to me under Section 24 of the New York State Executive Law, to preserve public safety and hereby render all required and available assistance vital to the security, well-being, and health of the citizens of this County. I hereby direct all departments and agencies of Schoharie County to take whatever steps necessary to protect life and property, public infrastructure, and provide such emergency assistance deemed necessary.

William A Federice W.Cl. Federal

Chairman, Schoharie County Board of Supervisors

Date: April 25, 2025