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Mr. Margaglio:

Let this letter serve as an Official request to suspend the 15-day comment period (RE:Public Notice F2018-0060) regarding the proposed installation of fencing and gates by Amtrak in the Germantown Fire District.

The very vague hand drawn plans provided are significantly lacking in information. More detailed and in depth plans need to be provided as well as informational meeting(s) with the proposer.

There are serious safety concerns for the Germantown Fire District regarding this proposal. Access to this area is vital for life and safety to the citizens that use this area and the adjacent Hudson River. First Responders need sufficient sized gates, keys to the gates (if locked?) as well as fences that do not impede the access road in order to respond quickly and efficiently.

The proposed plans do not provide answers for any of these questions. This proposed project has a direct impact on the Germantown Fire District, its Responders and its duty to respond in an emergency incident.

Respectfully,

Michael R Lawson

Chief

Germantown Fire District