## Pinelands Preservation Alliance Employee Protection (Whistleblower) Policy

As of September 27, 2011

If any employee reasonably believes that some policy, practice, or activity of Pinelands Preservation Alliance is in violation of law, a written complaint must be submitted by that employee to the Executive Director or the Board Chair.

It is the intent of PPA to adhere to all laws and regulations that apply to the organization and the underlying purpose of this policy is to support the organization's goal of legal compliance. The support of all employees is necessary to achieving compliance with various laws and regulations. An employee is protected from retaliation only if the employee brings the alleged unlawful activity, policy, or practice to the attention of PPA and provides PPA with a reasonable opportunity to investigate and correct the alleged unlawful activity. The protection described below is only available to employees who comply with this requirement.

PPA will not retaliate against an employee who in good faith has made a protest or raised a complaint against some practice of PPA, or of another individual or entity with whom PPA has a business relationship, on the basis of a reasonable belief that the practice is in violation of law or a clear mandate of public policy. PPA will not retaliate against employees who disclose or threaten to disclose to a supervisor or a public body, any activity, policy, or practice of PPA that the employee reasonably believes is in violation of a law, or a rule, or regulation mandated pursuant to law or is in violation of a clear mandate of public policy concerning the health, safety, welfare, or protection of the environment.

have been provided with an opportunity to ask questions about the policy.	
Employee Signature	 Date