







## RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PLANS

### *Monmouth County Growth Management Guide*

The Monmouth County Growth Management Guide (GMG), the county's master plan, provides goals and objectives and some limited geographic specificity in regard to future land use. The GMG is organized around the concept of preserving, strengthening and renewing built-up communities and projecting and preserving the critical environmentally sensitive and prime agricultural lands. The proposed changes to the Highlands Borough Master Plan and Development Regulations are intended to attract reinvestment to a commercial corridor which is important to the Borough and therefore the proposal is consistent with those goals and objectives of the County Master Plan.

### *State Development and Redevelopment Plan*

On March 1, 2001, the State Planning Commission ("SPC") adopted the new State Development and Redevelopment Plan ("SDRP"). The SDRP establishes a proposed statewide planning framework that is designed to maintain and revitalize existing cities and towns and organizing new growth in "centers" - compact, mixed-use communities that provide a variety of choices in housing, employment opportunities, entertainment, services, transportation and social interaction. The entirety of the Borough of Highlands is in Metropolitan Planning Area 1 (PA-1) in the SDRP. According to the State Plan, the intent of the Metropolitan Planning Area is to:

- Provide for much of the state's future development;
- Revitalize cities and towns;
- Promote growth in compact forms;
- Stabilize older suburbs;
- Redesign areas of sprawl; and
- Protect the character of existing stable communities.

The proposed land use designation is generally consistent with most of the objectives of the PA-1.