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## **ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**

### **LAND USE MANAGEMENT**

#### **Coastal Zone Management rules**

**Readoption:** **N.J.A.C. 7:7E**

Authority: N.J.S.A. 12:5-3; 13:1D-9; 13:1D-29 et seq.; 13:9A-1 et seq.; and 13:19-1 et seq.

Authorized by: Bob Martin, Commissioner, Department of Environmental Protection.

Effective Date: May 29, 2013

New Expiration Date: May 29, 2020

**Take notice** that, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1, the Department of Environmental Protection's (Department) Coastal Zone Management rules at N.J.A.C. 7:7E are readopted and shall continue in effect for a seven year period. The rules had been scheduled to expire on July 7, 2013. The Department has reviewed these rules and has determined that the rules should be readopted because they are necessary, reasonable and proper for the purpose for which they were originally promulgated. In accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1(c), timely filing of this notice extended the expiration date of the chapter seven years from the date of filing.

The Coastal Zone Management rules govern the use and development of coastal resources and are the standards for reviewing Coastal Area Facility Review Act (CAFRA), waterfront development, and coastal wetlands permit applications submitted under the Coastal Permit Program rules, N.J.A.C. 7:7. The Coastal Zone Management rules are also used for the

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review of water quality certificates subject to Section 401 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (commonly known as the Clean Water Act), 33 U.S.C. §§1251 et seq., and Federal consistency determinations under Section 307 of the Federal Coastal Zone Management Act, 16 U.S.C. §§1456 et seq.

On April 16, 2013, the Department adopted emergency amendments, repeals and new rules as part of the Coastal Permit Program rules and the Coastal Zone Management rules. These amendments, repeals, and new rules are intended to facilitate the expeditious rebuilding of more resilient coastal communities and coastal-related industries. The amendments, repeals, and new rules fall into five broad categories: (1) facilitation of the expeditious rebuilding of residential and commercial developments; (2) facilitation of renovation or reconstruction of existing marinas and construction of new marinas; (3) restoration of New Jersey's shellfish aquaculture industry; (4) maintenance of engineered beaches and dunes and establishment of living shorelines; and (5) facilitation of removal of sand and other materials, as well as the availability of dredged material disposal/placement areas. The emergency adopted amendments, repeals and new rules are effective until June 15, 2013. As part of the emergency adoption, the Department also submitted a concurrent proposal to continue the adopted emergency amendments in effect beyond June 15, 2013. The comment period on the concurrent proposal closes on June 5, 2013. Any further action on the concurrently proposed amendments, repeals and new rules would be the subject of a separate notice in the New Jersey Register.