ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

LAND USE MANAGEMENT

Coastal Permit Program Rules

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

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

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

Effective Date: November 14, 2014.

New Expiration Date: November 14, 2021.

Take notice that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1, the Coastal Permit Program Rules at N.J.A.C. 7:7 are readopted and shall continue in effect for a seven-year period. The rules had been scheduled to expire on December 15, 2014. The Department of Environmental Protection (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 Permit Program Rules establish the procedures by which the Department reviews permit applications and appeals from permit decisions under the Coastal Area Facility Review Act (CAFRA), the Wetlands Act of 1970, and the Waterfront Development Law. The procedures also govern the reviews of Federal Consistency Determinations issued pursuant to the Federal Coastal Zone Management Act, 16 U.S.C. §§1451 et seq. and Water Quality Certificates issued pursuant to Section 401 of the Federal Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. §§1251 et seq.,when

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the approvals are sought in conjunction with a permit. The Coastal Permit Program Rules also contain the permits-by-rule, general permits, and Long Branch Redevelopment Zone Permit.

On June 2, 2014, the Department proposed the consolidation of the Coastal Permit Program Rules and Coastal Zone Management Rules into a single chapter with amendments (see 46 N.J.R. 1051(a); June 2, 2014). The public comment period on the June 2, 2014 proposal closed August 1, 2014. Any further action on those proposed amendments would be the subject of a separate notice in the New Jersey Register.

Date:_____

Bob Martin, Commissioner Department of Environmental Protection