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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING

AMENDMENT TO THE SUSSEX COUNTY WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN

Public Notice

Take notice that on JAN 1 4 1998 , pursuant to the provisions of the New Jersey Water Quality Planning Act, N.J.S.A. 58:11A-1 et seq., and the Statewide Water Quality Management Planning rules (N.J.A.C. 7:15-3.4), an amendment to the Sussex County Water Quality Management Plan was adopted by the Department of Environmental Protection.

This amendment, submitted by the Township of Hardyston on behalf of Playbiz, Inc., the owner and operator of the Sussex County Sportsplex located off State Highway 23 (Tax Block 60, Lots 8 & 9), changes the Hardyston Township WMP wastewater disposal designation for the above Block and Lots from "Septic Area" to "Discharge to Groundwater under 20,000 gallons per day (gpd)" and identifies the "Sussex County Sportsplex and Ice House" as a designated groundwater discharger on said Block and Lots. Currently, the Sportsplex property (approximately 15 acres) consists of a golf driving range, miniature golf course, batting cages, ice cream shop and a leased single family residential property that are served by individual septic systems. In addition to the existing facilities, Playbiz will be allowed to construct a proposed ice arena facility (initially, pro shop and office, on the existing Sportsplex property. The construction of a proposed second ice skating rink will also be allowed, bringing the final project build out to 60,000 square feet. Wastewater flows from the proposed facilities are projected to be approximately 14,550 gpd that will be treated by a new groundwater disposal treatment system to be constructed on-site.

This amendment represents only one part of the permit process and other issues will be addressed prior to final permit issuance. Additional issues which were not reviewed in conjunction with this amendment but which may need to be addressed may include, but are not limited to, the following: antidegradation; effluent limitations; water quality analysis; exact locations and designs of future treatment works (pump stations, interceptors, sewers, outfalls, wastewater treatment plants); and development in wetlands, flood prone areas, designated Wild and Scenic River areas, or other environmentally sensitive areas which are subject to regulation under Federal or State statutes or rules.

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