DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION OF WATERSHED MANAGEMENT

ADOPTED AMENDMENT TO THE TRI-COUNTY WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN

Public Notice

Take notice that on 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), the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (Department) adopted an amendment to the Tri-County Water Quality Management (WQM) Plan. This amendment, submitted on behalf of the Florence Township Board of Education, adds 34.08 acres of additional sewer service area. This additional sewer service area is on land owned by the Board of Education on Florence-Bustleton Road; Block 160.01, Lots 17 & 27 and is for a proposed school. The proposed school site is adjacent to existing sewer service area and would generate a flow of 44,375 gallons per day (gpd) based on a school population of 1,775 at 25 gpd per person per day. The proposed school would replace the Marcella Duffy Elementary School in Florence. The proposed flow of 44,375 gpd reflects a projected increase of 4,075 gpd over existing flow from the Marcella Duffy Elementary School based on a projected increase of 163 students (4075 gallons=163 students X 25 gpd per student). The effluent generated by the school would be treated by the municipally owned wastewater treatment plant located on Front Street. The wastewater treatment plant discharges to the Delaware River. The additional flows generated by this proposed school will not require an expansion to the municipal wastewater treatment plant.

This amendment has been reviewed for compliance with Executive Order 109 (2000). There are no significant depletive or consumptive use issues, the proposal is not in critical water supply area; has no riparian corridors; nor does it appear on the Landscape Project; tiers 3, 4 or 5. The amendment is conditioned

upon compliance with the Stormwater Management Rules, N.J.A.C. 7:8, to address non-point source and hydromodification issues.

This amendment proposal was noticed in the New Jersey Register on on April 19, 2004 at 36 N.J.R. 2085(b), and no comments were received during the comment period.

This amendment represents only one part of the permit process and other issues may need to be addressed prior to final permit issuance. Additional issues 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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