

**NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT
AND PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE DRAFT FOOD WASTE REDUCTION PLAN
TO REDUCE FOOD WASTE IN NEW JERSEY BY 50% BY 2030**

The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) Division of Solid & Hazardous Waste hereby gives notice that it is developing a plan pursuant to N.J.S.A 13:1E-226 et seq. (P.L. 2017, c.136) to reduce the amount of food waste generated annually in the State based on 2017 generation by 50 percent by 2030.

The public comment period on the draft food waste reduction plan begins on the date of the publication of this notice and will end on September 27, 2019.

The draft plan and N.J.S.A. 13:1E-226 et seq. are available for review at www.nj.gov/dep/dshw/foodwasteplan.pdf or can be obtained via email upon request to reducefoodwaste@dep.nj.gov.

Any interested person may submit written comments on the draft plan during this period directly to:

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As required by the legislation, DEP is hosting three public hearings as part of its development of the food waste reduction plan. Interested parties are encouraged to attend one of the public hearings. The public hearings will be held as follows:

September 10, 2019 from 9:00-11:00 AM
Public Hearing Room
New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
401 E. State Street
Trenton, NJ 08625

September 17, 2019 from 6:00-8:00 PM
Atlantic County Utilities Authority
6700 Delilah Road
Egg Harbor Township, NJ 08234

September 19, 2019 from 6:00-8:00 PM
Environment Center Auditorium at NJ Sports and Exposition Agency
2 De Korte Park Plaza
Lyndhurst, NJ 07071

The public is invited to comment on the draft plan at the public hearings. Any comments must also be submitted to DEP in writing prior to the close of the comment period at the address above. Written comments may also be submitted at the public hearings.

The DEP will answer limited questions at the public hearings as time allows but will not present the draft plan in detail. Interested parties are encouraged to become familiar with the draft plan prior to the public hearings.