

PUBLIC NOTICE

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Notice of Public Hearing

New Jersey Pollutant Discharge Elimination System

Fiscal Year 2021 Annual Fee Report and Assessment of Fees

Take notice that the Department of Environmental Protection (Department) will hold virtual public hearings on the Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 Annual Fee Report and Assessment of Fees for the New Jersey Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NJPDES) program. The NJPDES program regulates wastewater discharges from publicly and privately owned wastewater management systems, including certain stormwater discharges, as well as the disposal of residuals from treatment systems.

The first **public hearing** will be held on Wednesday, March 18, 2021, beginning at 9:00 am and the second **public hearing** will be held on Tuesday, April 6, 2021, beginning at 9:00 am. Both hearings will be conducted virtually via the Department's video conferencing software (i.e., Microsoft Teams). A link to the virtual public hearings will be provided on the Department's NJPDES fees website (<https://www.nj.gov/dep/dwq/njpdessfees.html>) the morning of the hearing. The hearings will close when all testimony has been heard.

The **public comment period** on the FY 2021 Annual Fee Report and Assessment of Fees has been extended and will remain open until Tuesday, April 6, 2021. Please submit formal comments to dwq_pas@dep.nj.gov or via mail to:

Mail Code 401-02B

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A written notice that the FY 2021 Annual Fee Report and Assessment of Fees is available for viewing on the Department's website at <http://www.nj.gov/dep/dwg/njpdessfees.html> and was mailed to NJPDES permittees on or about February 16, 2021. Any person may also request a paper copy of the Report by contacting the Permit Administration Section via email at dwq_pas@dep.nj.gov.