A public meeting to discuss the proposed changes in sewer service area designation has been scheduled for April 21, 2011 from 5:30pm to 8:30pm at Mancini Hall in the Ocean County Library Toms River Branch, 101 Washington Street, Toms River Township, NJ. The Department and County will accept comments and information related to this map from the date of the posting of this public notice until May 21, 2011, 30 days after the public meeting.

At issue will be a service area covering 15 Ocean County municipalities: Barnegat Light, Barnegat, Berkeley, Eagleswood, Harvey Cedars, Jackson, Lacey, Lakewood, Little Egg Harbor, Long Beach, Manchester, Ocean Township, Surf City, Toms River, and Tuckerton. Stafford Township is covered by the adopted Stafford Township Wastewater Management Plan which will be incorporated into the Ocean County Wastewater Management Plan as a separate chapter. Proposed sewer service areas for the remaining Ocean County municipalities were presented at a March 10, 2011 public meeting.

Based upon information received in response to this public comment period adjustments may be made to the map after the close of the public comment period. Please note there will be an additional formal public comment process prior to plan adoption. The preliminary working draft map can be viewed at:

http://www.planning.co.ocean.nj.us/watershed/wwmgt.htm