

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
DIVISION OF WATERSHED MANAGEMENT

ADOPTED AMENDMENT TO THE LOWER RARITAN/MIDDLESEX COUNTY
WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN

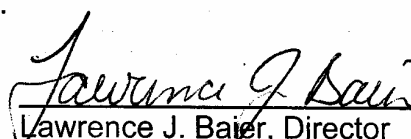
Public Notice

Take notice that on **JAN 02 2008**, 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 Lower Raritan/Middlesex County Water Quality Management Plan was adopted by the Department of Environmental Protection (Department). This amendment expands the Middlesex County Utilities Authority (MCUA) Sewer Service Area (SSA) to include 43 existing single family homes on Bennett's Lane Block: 86.04, Lots: 1-12 and Block: 86.05, Lots: 9.07-9.38. The amendment also expands MCUA's SSA to include an existing quail farm located on Bunker Hill Road Block: 20.02, Lot: 45.03. Only the existing wastewater generating structures on the farm, including two single family homes will be served by MCUA, not the whole property. The remainder of the property will continue to be designated as "General service area for wastewater facilities with planning flows of less than 2,000 gallons per day (gpd) which discharge to groundwater". The projected wastewater generated by the 43 existing homes is 12,900 gpd and 1,800 for the existing farm for a total of 14,700 gpd as calculated utilizing N.J.A.C. 7.14A-23.3.

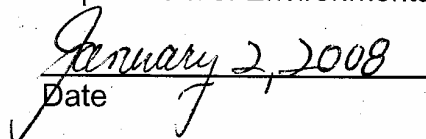
This proposed amendment has been reviewed in accordance with Executive Order 109 (2000) and N.J.A.C. 7:15-5.18. The Department has determined that no environmental analyses are required since the project scope does not reach the thresholds which trigger the environmental assessment analyses.

This amendment proposal was noticed in the New Jersey Register on June 18th, 2007 at 39 N.J.R. 39 N.J.R. 2280 (c) 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: compliance with stormwater regulations; 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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Date