

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION  
OFFICE OF WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COORDINATION

REVISION TO THE LOWER RARITAN/MIDDLESEX COUNTY WATER  
QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN

**APR 07 2016**

TAKE NOTICE that on \_\_\_\_\_, pursuant to the provisions of the 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. 7:15-3.5, a revision (Program Interest No.: 435463; Activity No.: REV160001) to the Lower Raritan/Middlesex County Water Quality Management Plan (WQMP) was adopted by the Department. This revision modifies the Middlesex County Future Wastewater Service Area (FWSA) Map. The revision, entitled "The Oaks at Glenwood", submitted on behalf of The Brunetti Organization, expands the Middlesex County Utilities Authority (MCUA) sewer service area (SSA) by 30.9 acres to allow for the construction of a proposed 360,000 square foot manufacturing building. The project site (Site) is located in Old Bridge Township west of U.S. Highway 9 and south of Water Works Road on portions of Lots 3.11, 6, and 7 within Block 6303.

The Site had been located within an area designated for Individual Subsurface Sewage Disposal Systems of 2,000 gallons per day (gpd) or less (septic area) in the Lower Raritan/Middlesex County Wastewater Management Plan (WMP) which was adopted in 2001. The applicant subsequently petitioned the Middlesex County Department of Planning to include numerous properties located in Old Bridge Township, which included the Site, into the MCUA SSA. These requests were submitted as comments on the (then draft) sewer service area mapping proposed by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (Department) in connection with Middlesex County's efforts to submit an updated WMP to the Department pursuant to the WQMP rules at N.J.A.C. 7:15. These requests were submitted in a series of letters to both the Middlesex County Department of Planning and the Department between May 29, 2009 and February 7, 2011.

In a May 23, 2011 letter from the Department to the applicant's representative, the Department stated that it had prepared a draft sewer service area map and Geographic Information System (GIS) shapefiles of the applicant's properties that the Department would not object to being included in the sewer service area. The Site was among the properties included on the map which is entitled "Brunetti Properties, Old Bridge Township, Middlesex County" dated May 1, 2011. A large portion of the Site was subsequently included in the MCUA SSA on the draft Future Wastewater Service Area (FWSA) map prepared by the Middlesex County Department of Planning which was posted on their website. That map is entitled "Middlesex County Wastewater Management Plan Map 3b – Future Wastewater Service Area" dated May, 2012.

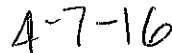
The Middlesex County FWSA map was adopted by the Department on March 11, 2015 (see April 6, 2015 New Jersey Register at 47 N.J.R. 733(b)). It was subsequently discovered that the Site had not, in fact, been included within the MCUA SSA on the adopted map. Due to the fact that the Department had stated in writing to the applicant and Middlesex County that it did not object to the inclusion of the Site within the sewer service area, that it was included in the SSA on a map referred to in the letter, and that the site was largely within the MCUA SSA on a draft FWSA map published on the Middlesex County Department of Planning's website, it can reasonably be concluded that the omission of the Site from the MCUA SSA in the adopted FWSA map was unintentional.

This revision is being adopted in accordance with N.J.A.C.7:15-3.5(b)1, which allows revisions in order to correct, clarify, or update erroneous, unclear, or outdated statements in an areawide WQMP.



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