DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND ENERGY
OFFICE OF LAND AND WATER PLANNING

AMENDMENT TO THE NORtheast WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN

Public Notice

Take notice that on JUN 30 1993 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. 7:15-3.4), an amendment to the Northeast Water Quality Management (WQM) Plan was adopted by the Department. This amendment, which was submitted by the Bergen County Utilities Authority (BCUA), adopts a Wastewater Management Plan (WMP) for BCUA. The WMP delineates the existing and proposed sewer service areas to the BCUA sewage treatment plant (STP). The BCUA STP will be expanded to serve the projected annual average flow of 84.106 million gallons per day. The Wood-Ridge Borough STP will be abandoned with flow conveyed to the BCUA STP. The WMP delineates the portions of Cliffside Park and Fort Lee served by the Edgewater Borough STP, the portions of Washington Township served by the Northwest Bergen County Utilities Authority STP, and the portions of Rockleigh and Old Tappan Boroughs served by the Orangetown STP. The BCUA WMP also delineates the service area for ground water disposal facilities with a design capacity of less than 20,000 gallons per day.

This amendment was noticed in the New Jersey Register on October 19, 1992. Comments on this amendment were received during the comment period and are summarized below with the Department's response.

COMMENT: The Hackensack Meadowlands Development Commission (HMDC) made the following comments:

1. The WMP states that the HMDC will abandon the Baler Wastewater Treatment Facility during 1991/1992. The HMDC has no plans to abandon this facility at this time.

2. The WMP states that flow from the Kingsland Park Landfill is the only waste flow the BCUA STP will receive from Lyndhurst Township. However, the BCUA STP is currently receiving the wastewater from the HMDC Office Complex and should continue to do so.

RESPONSE: The WMP has been revised as follows in consideration of the above:

1. The WMP has been revised to delete reference to abandonment of the Baler Wastewater Treatment Facility and include reference to it as a future facility.
2. The WMP has been revised to indicate that the BCUA STP also treats flow from the HMDC Office Complex in Lyndhurst.

In addition to the above revisions, the existing service areas map has been revised to correctly delineate the portions of Old Tappan currently served by the Orangetown STP, and the future service areas map has been revised to expand the BCUA STP sewer service area to include portions of Old Tappan which were permitted to be served by the BCUA STP as per sewer extension permits issued by the Department (No. 88-1311-4 and No. 89-3221-4). These future service areas were inadvertently excluded from the WMP. The projected populations and wastewater flows for Old Tappan are also revised to address these areas.

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