

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION  
DIVISION OF WATERSHED MANAGEMENT

ADOPTED AMENDMENT TO THE NORTHEAST WATER QUALITY  
MANAGEMENT PLAN

Public Notice

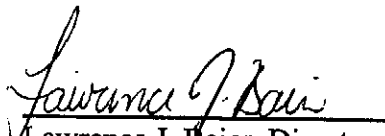
Take notice that on DEC 09 2003, pursuant to the provisions of the New Jersey Water Quality Planning Act, N.J.S.A. 58:11A-1 et seq., and the Statewide Water Quality Management Planning rules (N.J.A.C. 7:15-3.4), an amendment to the Northeast Water Quality Management Plan was adopted by the Department of Environmental Protection (Department). This amendment, submitted on behalf of the Franklin Lakes Board of Education, amends the Northwest Bergen County Utilities Authority (NBCUA) Wastewater Management Plan (WMP) with regard to an expanded wastewater treatment facility at the Colonial Road Elementary School Lot 7, Block 1304 in Franklin Lakes, Bergen County. This school was previously operating with a flow of 3,840 gallons per day (gpd) discharge to groundwater (DGW). The existing Colonial Road Elementary School on-site ground water disposal system will be replaced with an expanded system to serve a projected student population of approximately 460. This school will require a New Jersey Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NJPDES) permit. The projected maximum daily wastewater flow to the new system is 4,600 gpd, which is based on the Department's flow criterion, N.J.A.C. 7:9A-7.4, Standards for Individual Subsurface Disposal Systems (ISSDS), which states that the flow is calculated by multiplying the total number of students by 10 gpd per student for a school with no cafeteria or showers. The school will remain within the future sewer service area of the NBCUA so that once sewers are available, the on-site ground water disposal system will be abandoned with connection to the NBCUA sewer system. The NBCUA sewage treatment plant (STP), with NJPDES permit NJ0024813 discharges to Hohokus Brook with a receiving water classification of FW2-NT.

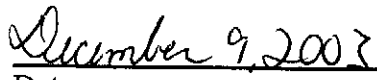
This amendment has been reviewed in accordance with Executive Order 109 (2000) and N.J.A.C. 7:15-5.18. The Department has determined that no environmental analyses are

required since the project generates less than 20,000 gpd and will disturb less than 100 acres.

This amendment proposal was noticed in the New Jersey Register on November 3, 2003 at 35 N.J.R. 5166(a) 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: 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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