

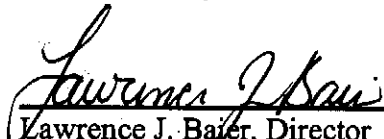
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION  
DIVISION OF WATERSHED MANAGEMENT

REVISION TO THE NORTHEAST WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN

TAKE NOTICE that on APR - 5 2010, 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 to the Northeast Water Quality Management Plan (WQMP) was adopted by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (Department). This revision modifies the Northwest Bergen County Utilities Authority Wastewater Management Plan and updates the digital sewer service area (SSA) mapping adopted on October 6, 2006 to identify the portion of the Mahwah Township Ford Well Field associated with Well No. 3 that is located on Block 1, Lot 52, as approved sewer service area of the Northwest Bergen County Utilities Authority.

The Ford Well Field is being rehabilitated because routine monitoring of that public drinking water supply, as required by the Safe Drinking Water Act, has indicated instances in which drinking water standards have been exceeded. The Safe Drinking Water Act, and implementing State and Federal rules, require certain corrective actions to be taken immediately to remedy excursions of the Safe Drinking Water Standards. Among the remedies proposed by Mahwah Township is a log 4 filtration system designed to remove potential pathogens. This system results in process wastewater from water treatment operations totaling 2,880 gallons per day. The process wastewater must be properly treated and disposed. A sewer line exists in Riverview Drive which fronts the project site. The applicant proposed to discharge 2,880 gallons per day of process wastewater into the existing sewer line for treatment and disposal at the Northwest Bergen County Utilities Authority (NWBCUA) wastewater treatment plant. The NWBCUA wastewater treatment plant is permitted at 15 MGD and the Department has determined that the plant has sufficient capacity to accept this process wastewater under its existing permit limits. No expansion of the NWBCUA plant is required as a result of this revision. N.J.A.C. 7:15-4.2(a)2 deems treatment works whose sole purpose is to abate an existing pollution problem, if such treatment works are required by the Department or U.S. E.P.A., to be consistent with the Water Quality Management Plans.

In accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:15-3.5(b)1, the Department has determined that the cited property qualifies as a revision to correct, clarify, or update erroneous, unclear, or outdated statements in an areawide WQMP. These areas, therefore, are added as sewer service area of the Northwest Bergen County Utilities Authority Wastewater Treatment Plant.

  
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