

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
OFFICE OF COASTAL AND LAND USE PLANNING

REVISION TO THE OCEAN COUNTY WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT
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TAKE NOTICE that on April 9, 2014, 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 Ocean County Water Quality Management Plan (WQMP) was adopted by the Department. This revision modifies the Ocean County Central Planning Area County Wastewater Management Plan (WMP) Map future sewer service area map to identify a portion of Block 262, Lot 2 (a 0.41 acre parcel) within Barnegat Township, Ocean County as sewer service area of the Ocean County Utilities Authority (OCUA) Central Wastewater Pollution Control Facility (WPCF) (NJ0029408). This revision allows for the connection of an existing single family home with a malfunctioning septic system, on the above referenced property, to the OCUA WPCF. The projected wastewater flow from the home is 300 gallons per day (gpd) calculated in accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:14A-23.3.

The project location is located on the northeast corner of the intersection of Mills Lane and Lower Shore Road. The portion of Block 262 Lot 2 to be added to the OCUA's sewer service area includes all but the easternmost 70 feet of the property. This area is not included in this revision and will not be added to the OCUA's sewer service area. This limitation is due to the presence of environmentally sensitive areas, including threatened and endangered species habitat and wetlands.

The portion of the property to be included in the OCUA sewer service area does not encompass any Environmentally Sensitive areas as defined at N.J.A.C.

7:15-5.24(b), special restricted areas as defined at N.J.A.C. 7:15-5.24(d), but is located with a Coastal Environmentally Sensitive Planning Area, which N.J.A.C. 5.24(c) requires shall not be identified as sewer service area. The inclusion of the projected wastewater flow of 300 gpd will have no measurable impact to the OCUA WPCF or adversely affect its capacity. The Department has determined due to the particular circumstances of the subject site related to its location, size and condition, and in the State's interest in the protection of groundwater quality in the area, that this property be included within the OCUA sewer service area as depicted in the Ocean County WMP.

As provided under N.J.A.C. 7:15-3.5(b)4ix, the Department has determined that the proposed project activity qualifies as a revision for the connection of an existing structure with a malfunctioning subsurface sewage disposal system that is not currently within an approved sewer service area to an identified sewage treatment plant, provided the applicant demonstrates that it is not feasible to repair or replace the malfunctioning subsurface sewage disposal system under N.J.A.C. 7:9A-3.4 and the property where the existing structure is located is contiguous to the existing sewer line.

Signed _____

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