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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING

AMENDMENT TO THE SUSSEX COUNTY WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT
PLAN

Public Notice

Take notice that on **APR 19 1999**, 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 Sussex County Water Quality Management Plan was adopted by the Department of Environmental Protection.

This amendment modifies the ground water discharge pre-screening methodology identified in the Frankford Township WMP for areas designated for on-site wastewater treatment facilities discharging less than 20,000 gallons per day. The methodology includes updated groundwater recharge figures of 890 and 722 gals/acre/day for the Paulinskill and Papakating basins, respectively. The revised figures were provided by the New Jersey Geological Survey, based upon an evaluation of 50 years of stream flow records, and are considered to be more accurate than the previous figures that were in use.

This amendment represents only one part of the permit process and other issues will be addressed prior to final permit issuance. Additional issues which were not reviewed in conjunction with this amendment but 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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