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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 **JUN 01 2000**, 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, prepared on behalf of TMB Partners by Surburban Consulting Engineers, Inc., and submitted by the Sussex County Department of Planning, Development and Human Services updates the Lafayette Township Wastewater Management Plan to allow for a new wastewater treatment system and corresponding discharge to groundwater (6,936 gallons per day design capacity), to service a 3.8 acre commercial site, consisting of a new 15,860 square foot building, (housing a 150 seat restaurant, a convenience store and retail stores of approximately 6000, 5000 and 4860 square feet, respectively), located on Block 9 Lot 25 at the corner of Routes 623 and 15/94 within Lafayette Township. TMB Partners, the applicant, proposes to treat the discharge to State and Federal groundwater and drinking water standards, utilizing advanced pretreatment, denitrification and ultraviolet disinfection with onsite disposal via groundwater disposal field. TMB Partners has represented that they have reached a conceptual agreement with the Sussex County Municipal Utilities Authority (SCMUA) providing that the SCMUA will operate the wastewater treatment system when constructed.

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.

Due to the scope of this amendment it is not subject to the alternative analysis required by Executive Order 109.



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