

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
DIVISION OF WATERSHED MANAGEMENT

AMENDMENT TO THE TRI-COUNTY WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT
PLAN

Public Notice

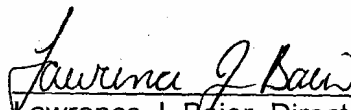
Take notice that on June 25, 2007, pursuant to the provisions of the New Jersey Water Quality Planning Act, N.J.S.A. 58:11A-1 et seq., and the Statewide Water Quality Management Planning rules (N.J.A.C. 7:15-3.4), an amendment to the Tri-County County Water Quality Management Plan was adopted by the Department of Environmental Protection (Department). This amendment, submitted on behalf of the Swedesboro-Woolwich Board of Education, is for the proposed elementary school to be located on Block 28, Lot 17 at the intersection of Pedricktown-Harrisonville Road and the New Jersey Turnpike within Woolwich Township, Gloucester County. This amendment increases the sewer service area of the Logan Township Municipal Utilities Authority (MUA) Sewage Treatment Plant (STP), permitted under NJPDES permit NJ0027545, by 68.43 acres. This amendment allows for the construction of an elementary school to serve 1,656 students. The school would initially serve 828 students with a later addition to serve an additional 828 students. The addition to the school would be within the same 68.43 acre sewer service area as the original building. In accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:15, both phases of this development have been reviewed. The total wastewater planning flow for this facility, calculated in accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:14A-23.3 at 15 gallons per day per student for a school with a cafeteria, is 24,840 gallons per day (gpd).

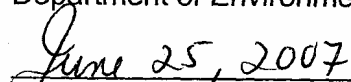
This amendment has been reviewed in accordance with Executive Order 109 (2000) and N.J.A.C. 7:15-5.18. The entire proposed development (Phases I & II) has been reviewed with regard to its impact on threatened and endangered species habitat as well as possible riparian corridor impacts. It was determined that no threatened and endangered species habitat existed on site. Oldmans

Creek (FW2-NT/SE1) is located within 75 feet of the property, however all proposed site improvements are outside the limits of the required 75 foot stream buffer. The Stormwater Management Plan for the entire site (Phases I & II) has been reviewed and found to be in compliance with N.J.A.C. 7:8.

This amendment proposal was noticed in the New Jersey Register on April 16, 2007 at 39 N.J.R. 1526(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: compliance with stormwater regulations; 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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