DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING

AMENDMENT TO THE UPPER DELAWARE WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN

Public Notice

Take notice that on DEC 02 1996, 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 Upper Delaware Water Quality Management Plan was adopted by the Department of Environmental Protection (Department). This amendment, submitted on behalf of the Ridgewood Y.M.C.A., identifies the existing facilities and proposed expansions at the Camp Bernie Outdoor School/Conference Center located at Block 56, Lot 9 along Turkey Top Road in Lebanon Township, Hunterdon County. The site is currently served by multiple individual subsurface sewage disposal systems (septic systems). The Lenape Lodge, Dining Hall, Main House, Turrell Lodge, Forest Area Shower House, Director's House, Cabins 1, 2, 3, 4, 5/6, and 7/8 each have a septic system. A temporary administration trailer utilizes the septic system of the unused fire damaged former office/staff housing building. The following structures do not have any septic systems: Pavilion Pool, Sugar Shack, Arts and Crafts Lodge, other Cabins, and Nature Lodge. At this time the Y.M.C.A. proposes to replace the fire damaged building/temporary administration trailer structures with a new 3,000 square foot administration building and two staff housing cabins. The administration building will be served by a septic system capable of handling the projected 375 gallons per day (gpd) of wastewater. The two staff cabins will utilize a single septic capable of handling the projected 260 gpd of wastewater. The existing fire damaged building/temporary administration trailer septic system will be abandoned. At a later date the Y.M.C.A. proposes an additional six staff cabins to be developed in groups of two with one septic system per group. The site is being identified as a Discharge to Ground Water Service Area for Facilities with Wastewater Planning Flows of Less Than 20,000 GPD.

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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