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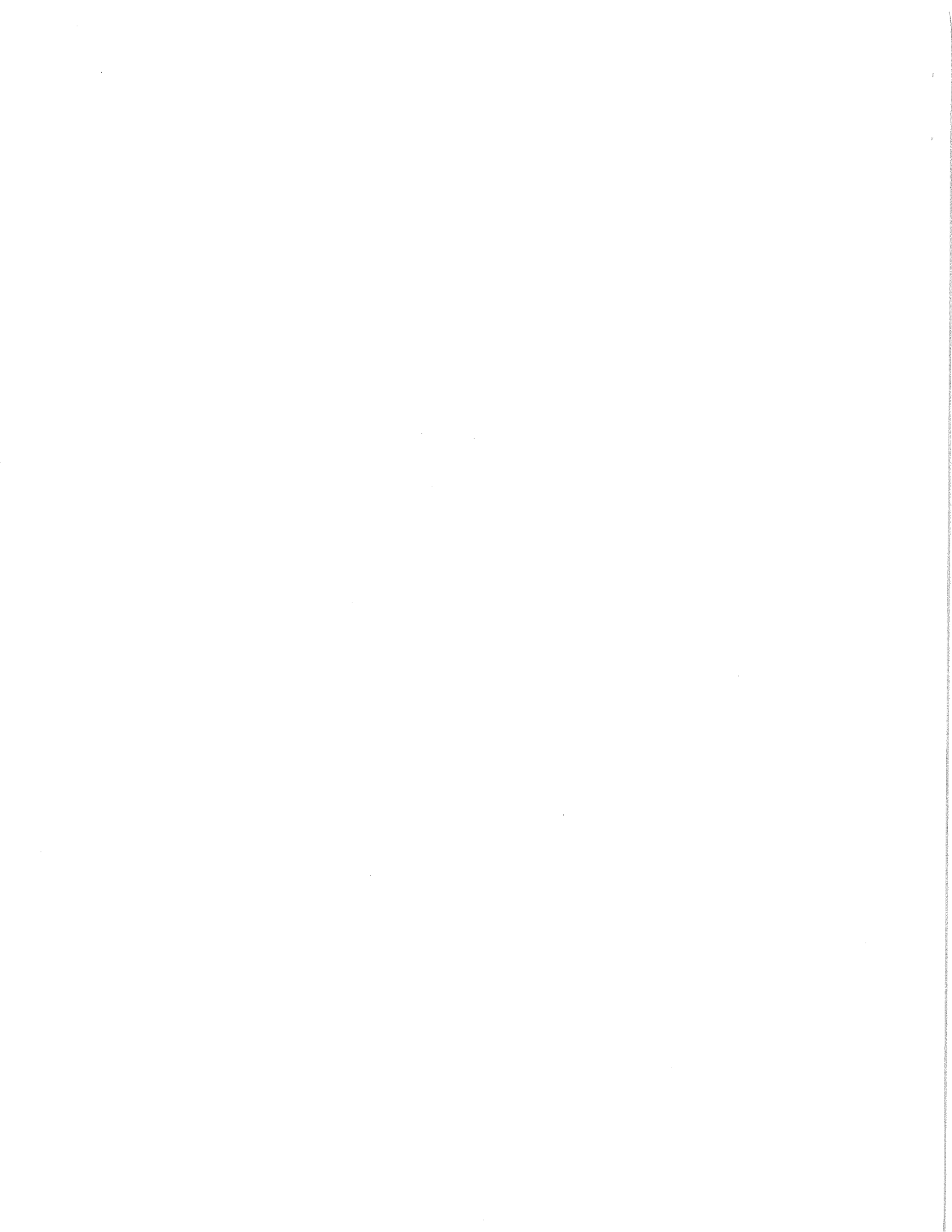
AMENDMENT TO THE UPPER RARITAN AND NORTHEAST WATER QUALITY
MANAGEMENT PLANS

Public Notice

Take notice that on **MAY 22 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 Raritan and Northeast Water Quality Management Plan was adopted by the Department of Environmental Protection (Department). This amendment was submitted by Roxbury Township. The amendment updates the Roxbury Township Wastewater Management Plan (WMP) with regard to wastewater service areas and flows in Roxbury Township, Morris County. Specifically, the projected wastewater flow to the Ajax Terrace Water Pollution Control Plant (WPCP) is increased from a total monthly average wastewater flow of 1.686 million gallons per day (mgd) to 2.0 mgd. The Ajax Terrace WPCP is located in Roxbury Township and discharges to the Lamington River, classified in the Surface Water Quality Standards as fresh water 2-nontrot, Category 1 (FW2-NT [C1]). The increase in projected wastewater flow allows for the elimination of the Skyview WPCP discharge to Drakes Brook, classified as fresh water 2-trout production, Category 1 (FW2-TP [C1]), and transfer of the flows to the Ajax Terrace WPCP. The connection of the Skyview WPCP to the Ajax Terrace WPCP provides for an interbasin transfer of up to 0.085 mgd of wastewater from the Drakes Brook basin to the Lamington River basin. The increase in the projected flow to the Ajax Terrace WPCP to 2.0 mgd also allows for the inclusion of additional service areas for existing and proposed developments within Roxbury Township, including the Poet's Peak and Hunter's Ridge proposed developments. The updated WMP also delineates the proposed ground water disposal service areas for facilities with wastewater planning flows of less than 20,000 gallons per day (gpd) and those areas for facilities with wastewater planning flows of less than 2,000 gpd. Portions of the Berkshire Valley Wildlife Management Area are included in a "no discharge area in accordance with the antidegradation requirements of the Surface Water Quality Standards, N.J.A.C. 7:9B, and the Ground Water Quality Standards, N.J.A.C. 7:9-6."

In addition, the updated Roxbury Township WMP identifies a minor correction to the delineated Musconetcong Sewerage Authority (MSA) WPCP sewer service area in the MSA WMP. The MSA WPCP sewer service area along Route 80 is corrected to remove the Hunter's Ridge property. This property is not intended to be served, in whole or in part, by the MSA WPCP but will instead be served by the Ajax Terrace WPCP.

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,



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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