

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
DIVISION OF LAND USE REGULATION

REVISION TO THE UPPER RARITAN WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN

TAKE NOTICE that on NOV 22 2010, pursuant to the provisions of the 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. 7:15-3.5, a revision to the Upper Raritan Water Quality Management Plan (WQMP)/Mount Olive Township Wastewater Management Plan was adopted by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (Department). This revision modifies the Mount Olive Township Wastewater Management Plan and updates the digital sewer service area (SSA) mapping adopted on October 6, 2006 to identify the site of Mountaintop Assembly of God Church located on Block 8400, Lot 3 Mount Olive Township, Morris County as Hackettstown Municipal Utilities Authority sewer service area.

In accordance with N.J.S.A. 58:11A-7.1 of the New Jersey Water Quality Planning Act, the amendment adopted on October 6, 2006 immediately revoked previously approved sewer service area in the Highlands Preservation Area where wastewater collection systems had not been installed as of August 10, 2004. This revocation, however, should not have included the area of the Mountaintop Assembly of God Church building since sanitary sewer line infrastructure was in place prior to August 10, 2004.

The proposal located at Block 8400, Lot 3 demonstrated with valid documentation that the collection system had been installed as of the date of the Highlands Water Protection and Planning Act (August 10, 2004) and the connection of the existing church to this existing collection system was found to be exempt from N.J.S.A. 13:20-1 et seq. In accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:15-3.5(b)1, the Department has determined that the proposed project qualifies as a revision to correct, clarify, or update erroneous, unclear, or outdated statements in an areawide WQMP. The footprint area where the church building is located on Block 8400, Lot 3 in Mount Olive Township, therefore, is reinstated as sewer service area in the Upper Raritan WQMP/ Mount Olive Wastewater Management Plan and the digital sewer service area mapping. This mapping correction is authorized as a revision pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:15-3.5(b)1.



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