

**NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
OFFICE OF WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COORDINATION**

Revision to the Upper Raritan Water Quality Management Plan

Public Notice

Take Notice that on ~~NOV 15 2013~~, pursuant to the provisions of the Water Quality Planning Act, N.J.S.A.58:11A-1 et seq, the Statewide Water Quality Management Planning rules, N.J.A.C. 7:15-3.5, and P.L. 2011, c.203, as amended and supplemented by P.L. 2013, c.188, a revision to the Upper Raritan Water Quality Management Plan (WQMP) was adopted by the Department. This revision updates the sewer service area of the Hunterdon County Wastewater Management Plan (WMP) – Califon Borough Chapter, to include the commercial structure proposed by the Wade Family Partnership, LLC for Block 2, Lot 3, as described in the WMP, as well as the existing commercial structure located within Block 2, Lot 3.

The existing 14,100 square foot (S.F.) structure, previously found Exempt-Consistent by the Department in its October 25, 2004 Highlands Applicability Determination, currently discharges its wastewater via an individual subsurface sewage disposal system having a capacity of less than 2,000 gallons per day. The Department has determined that the proposed 9,000 S.F. commercial structure, which proposes to combine its sewage flow with that of the existing facility, satisfies the regulatory criteria for a Highlands Preservation Area Approval with Waiver to avoid a taking without just compensation. The combined wastewater flow from these two commercial facilities, totaling approximately 2,900 gallons per day (GPD), is to be treated and discharged to groundwater on-site via a NJPDES-permitted facility.

The area proposed for sewer service has been delineated in a manner consistent with the WMP and the criteria at N.J.A.C. 7:15-5.24. Pursuant to P.L. 2011, c.203 as amended and supplemented by P.L. 2013, c.188, a project may qualify for a site specific revision

provided the regulatory criteria at N.J.A.C. 7:15-5.24 are met, the project has a wastewater planning flow greater than 2,000 GPD but less than 8,000 GPD, and the project requires a NJPDES groundwater permit but does not require a NJPDES surface water permit. Given that the above criteria are satisfied, the project described above qualifies as a revision.

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