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## PUBLIC NOTICE

Please take notice that the Highlands Council is accepting written public comment on a Public Health and Safety Waiver. The waiver will permit New Jersey American Water to extend an existing water main in Washington Township, Warren County to provide safe drinking water for 142 properties with private wells contaminated with elevated levels of perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS). Portions of the water main extension project are to be located in the Conservation Zone and Conservation - Environmentally Constrained Subzone of the Regional Master Plan (RMP), which is prohibited in the RMP unless a waiver is granted. A report on the waiver is available for review through Friday, June 13, 2025 at the Highlands Council office as well as on the Council website: <a href="https://www.nj.gov/njhighlands/reviews/">www.nj.gov/njhighlands/reviews/</a>

Comments may be submitted via email to <u>highlands@highlands.nj.gov</u>, via facsimile at (908) 879-4205, or by mail to New Jersey Highlands Council, 100 North Road, Chester, NJ 07930, RE: Public Health and Safety Waiver Comments. If you have questions regarding the content of this notice please contact Highlands Council staff at 908-879-6737.

Please be advised that the Highlands Council will hold a public hearing on this matter at the Highlands Council's 4:00 p.m. meeting on June 19, 2025, or at a subsequent regular meeting of the Highlands Council, at the Highlands Council office at the address listed above. Public notice of any such hearing will be provided in accordance with applicable regulations and requirements.

DATE OF NOTICE: May 13, 2025

