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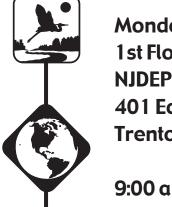
New Jersey Clean Water Council and New Jersey Water Supply Advisory Council 2005 Public Hearing Monday, October 31, 2005

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The New Jersey Clean Water Council and The New Jersey Water Supply Advisory Council

2005 Public Hearing

Clean Water for New Jersey: Public Perspectives on Critical Issues for the Next Five Years



Monday, October 31, 2005 1st Floor Public Hearing Room NJDEP Building 401 East State Street Trenton, NJ

9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Panel Discussion and Public Testimony



The Clean Water Council
Division of Watershed Management
www.state.nj.us/dep/watershedmgt

The Water Supply Advisory Council Division of Water Supply www.state.nj.us/dep/watersupply





Pamela Goodwin, Esq. Partner, Saul Ewing LLP Chair, NJ Clean Water Council

Eugene Golub, **Ph.D.**. Chair, NJ Water Supply Advisory Council

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Bradley M. Campbell (invited), Commissioner, NJ Department of Environmental Protection

Panel Presentation

To flesh out some of the most important issues needing action within the next five years, and to stimulate discussion by attendees, the hearing's sponsors have invited a diverse group of knowledgeable stakeholders to present their top priorities before the hearing is opened to the general public.

Panelists

Tim Dillingham, Executive Director, American Littoral Society

Abigail Fair, Director of Water Resources, Association of NJ Environmental Commissions

Neil Goldfine

Representing NJ Chapter of American Water Works Assn.

Ellen Gulbinsky, Executive Director, Association of Environmental Authorities

Maura McManimon, Executive Director,
Office of Smart Growth/Department of Community Affairs

Richard Plambeck, Mayor of Chatham Borough Representing NJ League of Municipalities

David Pringle, Campaign Director, NJ Environmental Federation

Monique Purcell, Director, Division of Agricultural & Natural Resources, NJ Dept. of Agriculture

Anthony Russo, *Director of Regulatory Affairs,* Chemistry Council of NJ

Nancy Wittenberg, Director, Environmental Policy, NJ Builders Association

Testimony from the Public

Under New Jersey law, the Clean Water Council is required to hold a public hearing at least once a year regarding water pollution related issues and report its recommendations thereon to the NJDEP Commissioner.

The Water Supply Advisory Council was established to advise the NJDEP concerning updates of the New Jersey Statewide Water Supply Plan and other related water supply resource issues.

While each council has a separate and distinct purpose, they both are concerned about the same resource: water, and the role of NJDEP in ensuring that the public's interest in protecting water quality while it is not inconsistent with its obligation to ensure that stakeholders have access to responsible quantities of available water. So that they may better advise NJDEP, they seek testimony at this hearing from concerned members of the public.

The Clean Water Council and the Water Supply Advisory Council seek to learn what the people of New Jersey consider the most important issues needing action by the State within the next five years in order to protect and sustain our State's water resources while supporting economic vitality.

The Councils request that those testifying focus on the following questions:

- If you were to focus on the single most important issue affecting New Jersey's water resources in the near future, what would it be?
- What are the key reasons why this issue is so critical?
- What policies would you propose to address this critical issue?
- How will implementing your proposal affect other environmental media (e.g. air, water, land uses, fish and wildlife)?
- Is there a specific regional issue that needs more attention?

Based upon the testimony at this hearing, the Councils will develop a set of recommendations for the NJDEP Commissioner.

Anyone wishing to testify in person is asked to reserve a time period by contacting Ursula Montis, at (609) 292-2113 by October 25, 2005.

The Councils will provide 5 to 10 minutes per oral presentation, depending on the number of people who register. The Councils encourage the submittal of detailed written comments on disk or CD as well as paper, to augment your testimony. Written comments will be accepted until November 14, 2005, and can be sent to Ursula Montis, New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Watershed Management, P.O. Box 418, Trenton, New Jersey, 08625-0418 or by fax at (609) 633-1458. If submitting on disk or CD, the preferred format is Microsoft Word 6.0 or above. Macintosh formats should not be used.







