The Division of Water Quality (DWQ) is promoting situational awareness to the Sewage Sludge Management Site Sector.

The DWQ understands that the unprecedented circumstances of the COVID-19 outbreak, including the need to restrict unnecessary travel and adopt social distancing practices, has created limitations for many regulated entities. The DWQ has been and will continue to work to ensure that we are responsive to these circumstances by providing the needed regulatory flexibility while protecting public health and safety. In consideration of this event, the DWQ maintains the Interactive Sewage Sludge Management Tool, available at https://www.state.nj.us/dep/dwq/sew_sludge_mapping.htm. This map provides the user with the ability to physically locate New Jersey's sewage sludge management systems and to understand their capabilities, acceptance criteria and contact information.

All residual individual and general permits require that the permittee give written notice to the Department of any planned physical alterations or additions to the permitted facility. In addition, it is requested that all sewage sludge management sites report any information on changes that may affect operations and/or the ability to accept customer sludge to dwq_residuals@dep.nj.gov, as well as the appropriate Regional Water Enforcement Bureau:

Northern - water north@dep.nj.gov 973-656-4099

Central - water central@dep.nj.gov 609-292-3010

Southern - water south@dep.nj.gov 856-614-3655

It is requested that this information be transmitted as soon as possible, but no longer than 48 hours after becoming aware of the situation.