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## **ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**

### **WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT**

#### **Notice of Readoption**

#### **Safe Drinking Water Act Rules**

#### **Readoption: N.J.A.C. 7:10**

Authority: N.J.S.A. 13:1D-1 et seq., 58:11-9.1 et seq., 58:11-23 et seq., 58:4A-4.1 et seq., 58:1A-1 et seq., and 58:12A-1 et seq.

Authorized By: Shawn M. LaTourette, Commissioner, Department of Environmental Protection.

Effective Date: February 27, 2024.

New Expiration Date: February 27, 2031.

**Take notice** that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1.c, the Safe Drinking Water Act rules at N.J.A.C. 7:10 are readopted and shall continue in effect for a seven-year period. The rules were scheduled to expire on March 29, 2024. The Department of Environmental Protection (Department) has reviewed these rules and has determined that the rules should be readopted because they are necessary, reasonable, and proper for the purpose for which they were originally promulgated. In accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1.c(1), timely filing of this notice extended the expiration date of the chapter seven years from the date of filing.

The Safe Drinking Water Act rules, N.J.A.C. 7:10, establish requirements to ensure the provision of safe drinking water to the public pursuant to the New Jersey Safe Drinking Water Act, N.J.S.A. 58:12A-1 et seq. The rules include: (1) provisions regarding civil administrative penalties at N.J.A.C. 7:10-3; (2) requirements for suppliers of water at public community water

systems related to the disinfection of delivered water at N.J.A.C. 7:10-4; (3) the State's primary and secondary drinking water rules for public and nonpublic water systems at N.J.A.C. 7:10-5 and 7, including the incorporation of the Primary National Drinking Water Regulations at 40 CFR 141 (National Regulations), and discretionary changes to the National Regulations; (4) the standards for the use or occurrence of direct and indirect additives in public water systems at N.J.A.C. 7:10-8; (5) minimum treatment requirements at N.J.A.C. 7:10-9 for public water systems that use surface water or ground water under the direct influence of surface water and discretionary changes to the National Regulations, 40 CFR 141, Subpart H; and (6) construction standards and permits, fees, requirements for physical connections between an approved and unapproved water supply at N.J.A.C. 7:10-10, 11, 12, and 13.

Any further action proposing amendments to the Safe Drinking Water Act rules would be the subject of a separate notice in the New Jersey Register.