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Subject Order of Magnitude and Phase-In Guidance for the Ground Water Remediation Standards and

Initial Ground Water Remedial Action Permit Applications

Based on the Ground Water Quality Standards (GWQS) adopted on February 3, 2025, Contaminated Site Remediation & Redevelopment (CSRR) posted the "Order of Magnitude Guidance for the Ground Water Remediation Standards and Phase-In Guidance for Initial Ground Water Remedial Action Permit Applications that include Contaminants where the Ground Water Remediation Standard decreased by an Order of Magnitude or More".

This document includes key information including the order of magnitude evaluation process and phase-in guidance for scenarios beyond Remedial Action Permits. As such, this new guidance supersedes the "Phase-In Guidance for Initial Ground Water Remedial Action Permit Applications that include Contaminants where the Ground Water Remediation Standard changed by an Order of Magnitude."

The guidance document can be found at https://dep.nj.gov/srp/guidance/rs/ under "Phase In/Order of Magnitude Guidance."

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