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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING

AMENDMENT TO THE MONMOUTH COUNTY WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN

Public Notice

Take notice that on DEC 18 1995, pursuant to the provisions of the New Jersey Water Quality Planning Act, N.J.S.A. 58:11A-1 et seq., and the Statewide Water Quality Management Planning rules (N.J.A.C. 7:15-3.4), an amendment to the Monmouth County Water Quality Management Plan was adopted by the Department of Environmental Protection (Department). This amendment, submitted on behalf of the Township of Ocean Sewerage Authority (TOSA) in Monmouth County, adopts a Wastewater Management Plan (WMP) for TOSA. The WMP delineates the proposed sewer service area of the TOSA Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) within the Township of Ocean, the Boroughs of Deal, Interlaken, and Allenhurst, and the Village of Loch Arbour. The total projected wastewater planning flow to the TOSA STP (located in the Oakhurst section of the Township of Ocean) is 6.261 million gallons per day (mgd) with discharge to the Atlantic Ocean. In addition, the following three significant actions are addressed within the TOSA WMP: fourteen single family homes in the Pine Lane area of the Township of Ocean (Block 1, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, and 18) will be served by the Northeast Monmouth County Regional Sewerage Authority STP located within the Borough of Monmouth Beach; nine single family homes on Asbury Avenue between Cold Indian Springs Road and Sharon Drive in the Township of Ocean (Block 38, Lots 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, and 70) will be served by the Township of Neptune Sewerage Authority (TNSA) STP located in the Township of Neptune; and, temporary connection of twelve residential properties (Block 123, Lots 45, 46, 47.01, 54.03, 54.07, and 70 and Block 123.01, Lots 55.01, 56.01, 59, 91, 92 and 57.01) and one commercial property (Block 123, Lot 51.01), within the TNSA Planning Area in the Borough of Tinton Falls, located in the Green Grove Road area between Asbury Avenue and Deal Road (generating a projected wastewater planning flow of 0.006 mgd) will utilize the TOSA collection system because of failing individual subsurface sewage disposal systems and/or the unavailability of a collection system to the TNSA STP at the present time. All thirteen individual subsurface sewage disposal systems serving these properties in the Borough of Tinton Falls will be abandoned. Once sewer service to the TNSA STP becomes available to these thirteen properties, temporary connection to the TOSA collection system will be abandoned. Adoption of the TOSA WMP does not remove WMP responsibility from the TNSA for the thirteen properties in the Borough of Tinton Falls.

This amendment proposal was noticed in the New Jersey Register on August 21, 1995. A comment on this amendment was received during the public comment period and is summarized below with the Department's response.

COMMENT: A request was made, on behalf of the Matzel & Mumford Organization, for a 55 unit planned development (Block 123, Lot 50 and 53) to also be included as a temporary connection to the Township of Ocean Sewerage Authority collection system until such time as the Township of Neptune Sewerage Authority STP provides sewer service to the area. The property fronts Green Grove Road across from its intersection with Tilton Drive South in the Borough of Tinton Falls.

RESPONSE: The Department will not be including this proposal within the Township of Ocean Sewerage Authority WMP since the temporary connections defined in the adoption notice are to abate an existing pollution problem. Furthermore, the commenter's planned development represents a significant change and would require review under the Statewide Water Quality Management Planning rules (N.J.A.C. 7:15-3.4)

This amendment represents only one part of the permit process and other issues will be addressed prior to final permit issuance. Additional issues which were not reviewed in conjunction with this amendment but which may need to be addressed may include, but are not limited to, the following: antidegradation; effluent limitations; water quality analysis; exact locations and designs of future treatment works (pump stations, interceptors, sewers, outfalls, wastewater treatment plants); and development in wetlands, flood prone areas, designated Wild and Scenic River areas, or other environmentally sensitive areas which are subject to regulation under Federal or State statutes or rules.

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