DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING

AMENDMENT TO THE NORTHEAST WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN

Public Notice

Take notice that on MAY 2 0 1996, 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 Northeast Water Quality Management Plan was adopted by the Department of Environmental Protection (Department). The amendment addresses the existing and possibly expanded Harding Township School located on Block 49, Lot 9 in Harding Township, Morris County. The existing student population of approximately 305 is currently served by two separate individual subsurface sewage disposal systems. Based on a demographic study, the student population is expected to increase to approximately 390. The projected wastewater flow for the expanded student population is 5,850 gallons per day (gpd) based on the Department's flow criterion of 15 gpd per student. A new on-site ground water disposal system, requiring a New Jersey Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit, is required to serve the expanded population. The two existing individual subsurface sewage disposal systems will be abandoned upon construction and operation of the new on-site ground water disposal systems will be abandoned upon construction and operation of the new on-site ground water disposal systems.

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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