DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION OF WATERSHED MANAGEMENT

REVISION TO THE NORTHEAST WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN

SEP 2 1 2009 TAKE NOTICE that on , pursuant to the provisions of the 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. 7:15-3.5, a revision to the Northeast Water Quality Management Plan (WQMP)/West Milford Township Wastewater Management Plan was adopted by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (Department). This revision modifies the West Milford Township Wastewater Management Plan and updates the digital sewer service area (SSA) mapping adopted on October 6, 2006 to identify the site of the Celano Minor Subdivision located on Block 5309, Lot 1 West Milford Township, Passaic County as within the Morestown-Ridge sewer service area.

In accordance with Section 58:11A-7.1 of the New Jersey Water Quality Planning Act, the amendment adopted on October 6, 2006 immediately revoked previously approved sewer service area in the Highlands Preservation Area where wastewater collection systems had not been installed as of August 10, 2004. This revocation, however, did not extend to any designated sewer service area necessary to serve development in the Highlands Preservation Area that is exempt from the provisions of P.L. 2004, c. 120 (C. 13:20-1 et seq.) pursuant to subsection a. of section 30 of P.L. 2004, c. 120 (C. 13:20-28), and where collection systems had been installed as of the date of the Highlands Water Protection and Planning Act (August 10, 2004).

The proposal located at Block 5309, Lot 1 demonstrated with valid documentation that the collection system had been installed as of the date of the Highlands Water Protection and Planning Act (August 10, 2004). In accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:15-3.5(b)1, the Department has determined that the proposed project qualifies as a revision to correct, clarify, or update erroneous, unclear, or outdated statements in an areawide WQMP. This area, therefore, is reinstated as sewer service area in the Northeast WQMP/West Milford Township Wastewater Management Plan and the digital sewer service area mapping. This mapping correction is authorized as a revision pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:15-3.5(b)1.

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