DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION OF WATERSHED MANAGEMENT

ADOPTED AMENDMENT TO THE SUSSEX COUNTY WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN

Public Notice

Take notice that on Part 2 2008 , 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 Sussex County Water Quality Management Plan was adopted by the Department of Environmental Protection (Department). This amendment modifies the Sussex County Wastewater Management Plan to provide for the redevelopment of the Kimber Petroleum Corporation (KPC) property located on Block 14, Lots 38.03, 63 and 64 in Lafayette Township, Sussex County. The proposed project location is situated at the intersection of State Routes 94 and 15. Currently, KPC owns and operates an Exxon gas station with four fueling bays and an existing convenience store on lots 63 and 64. KPC has recently acquired the adjacent parcel, lot 38.03, that contains an abandoned warehouse, a one-story building and a propane filling station.

The proposed redevelopment of the site would consist of the construction of a new convenience store with 12 fueling bays, retail space and a bank. The proposed commercial development, including parking area and access road, will encompass approximately 3.5 acres. The total projected wastewater flow from the proposed commercial development, calculated in accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:14A-23.3, is 2,518 gallons per day. Generated wastewater is to be treated and discharged to groundwater (DGW) via an on-site subsurface disposal system.

Potable water for the proposed commercial development would be provided for by two on-site wells.

This amendment was evaluated in accordance with Executive Order 109 (2000) (EO109) and N.J.A.C. 7:15-5.18. This evaluation determined that the threshold for Executive Order 109 (2000) (EO109) was not triggered, therefore alternative and environmental impact analyses were not required.

This amendment proposal was noticed in the New Jersey Register on July 7, 2008 at 40 N.J.R. 4239(b) and no comment was received on this amendment during the comment period.

This amendment represents only one part of the permit process and other issues may need to be addressed prior to final permit issuance. Additional issues which may need to be addressed include, but are not limited to, the following: antidegradation; effluent limitations; water quality analysis; stormwater management; 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.

Division of Watershed Management Department of Environmental Protection