DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION OF WATERSHED MANAGEMENT

ADOPTED AMENDMENT TO THE TRI COUNTY WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN, NORTH HANOVER TWP WMP

Public Notice

SEP 2 4 2004 Take notice that on , 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 Tri-County Water Quality Management Plan was adopted by the Department of Environmental Protection (Department). This amendment was submitted on behalf of The Township of North Hanover by Richard A. Alaimo Association of Engineers. This amendment establishes a Wastewater Management Plan (WMP) for the Township of North Hanover, Burlington County and allows construction of a new elementary school. The boundary of this WMP area is the entire Township of North Hanover excluding the Federal lands of the McGuire Air Force Base located in the Southern portion of the Township which constitute approximately 4.5% of the land area of the Township. The sewage generated on Federal Lands is treated by the Federal Sewage treatment plant located on the military base. Through this amendment, the Township of North Hanover is designated as the wastewater management planning agency for the North Hanover WMP.

The WMP does not amend previously designated sewer service area, but results in other amendments to the Tri-County Water Quality Management (WQM) Plan. The WMP allows construction of a new Upper Elementary School adjacent to the existing North Hanover Elementary School. The proposed school would have a maximum

capacity of 600 persons. Wastewater from the proposed new school along with wastewater from the existing school would be treated by a discharge to groundwater system permitted under the New Jersey Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NJPDES) regulations. The projected flows from the new school, calculated in accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:14A-23.3 would be 15,000 gpd (gallons per day) and the projected flows from the existing school are 6,900 gpd, for a combined flow of 21,900 gpd. The discharge from the existing school would be abandoned.

In addition, the WMP corrects the Tri-County WQM plan that previously improperly denoted the allowable effluent flow for the California Village trailer park at 0.32 million gallons per day (MGD). The correct allowed flow is 0.032 MGD.

This WMP will also allow the Spartan Village Mobile Home Park to convert their discharge from a surface water discharge to a discharge to ground water. Spartan Village's NJPDES permit number is NJ0027596 and the permitted flow is 0.038mgd. Spartan Village is not seeking any increase in flow.

This amendment was noticed in the New Jersey Register on on May 3, 2004 at 36 N.J.R. 2261(b), and no comments were received 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 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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