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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING

AMENDMENT TO THE UPPER RARITAN WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN

Public Notice

Take notice that on JUL 0 3 1997, 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 Upper Raritan Water Quality Management Plan was adopted by the Department of Environmental Protection. This amendment expands the Raritan Township Municipal Utilities Authority (MUA) sewer service area to include six additional lots (Block 75-Lots 3.01, 3.02, 3.03, 43, 46, and 47) and modifies the sewer service area delineation to include one lot (Block 59-Lot 11), which is currently being served by the Raritan Township MUA, but was inadvertently omitted. The six additional lots are currently identified as being within the "Non-surface Discharge Service Area For Facilities Less Than 20,000 gpd" area of the Wastewater Management Plan. The inclusion of the six additional lots is necessary in order to provide adequate wastewater disposal for one of the lots that has a failing septio system and, in the event of septic system failures, for the remaining lots that are currently serviced by individual subsurface disposal systems. The amendment will increase the current sewer service area by 11.8 acres and increase the net flow to the Raritan Township MUA by 2,100 gallons per day.

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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