

## RESOLUTION 2008-39

### NEW JERSEY HIGHLANDS WATER PROTECTION AND PLANNING COUNCIL PROPOSED WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN AMENDMENT FOR HOLLAND TOWNSHIP WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

**WHEREAS**, the Highlands Water Protection and Planning Act (Highlands Act) has created a public body corporate and politic with corporate succession known as the Highlands Water Protection and Planning Council (Highlands Council);

**WHEREAS**, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) had adopted rules at N.J.A.C. 7:38-1.1 et seq. (Highlands Rules) governing the NJDEP's review of projects in the Highlands Region; and

**WHEREAS**, the Highlands Rules, at N.J.A.C. 7:38-1.1, specifies that upon adoption of the Regional Master Plan, NJDEP shall not approve a Water Quality Management Plan (WQMP) amendment for a project proposed in the Planning Area or Preservation Area of the Highlands Region without first obtaining a consistency determination from the Highlands Council; and

**WHEREAS**, the Highlands Rules, at N.J.A.C. 7:38-1.1, were adopted in accordance with the Highlands Act as well as the Water Quality Management Act which specifically requires a continuing planning process to coordinate and integrate water quality management plans with related Federal, State, regional and local comprehensive land use, functional and other relevant planning activities; and

**WHEREAS**, a proposal has been submitted that consists of amendments to the Wastewater Management Plan that include adding to the approved Sewer Service Area the Huntington Knolls PCD/PSV project (Block 24, Lots 3 & 13); the Gardner project (Block 6 Lot 61); a future school expansion; in-fill development of existing lots and future subdivision of new lots; and a future commercial development; and

**WHEREAS**, consistent with NJDEP's Highlands Rules at N.J.A.C. 7:38-1.1, and the procedures adopted by the Highlands Council pursuant to Resolution 2007-18 for review of WQMP amendments for a proposed project, Highlands Council staff conducted a consistency determination for the Proposed Amendment based upon the standards and policies set forth in the adopted Regional Master Plan (RMP); and

**WHEREAS**, the Highlands Council duly considered the Proposed Amendment, the Highlands Council staff consistency determination, which was posted on the Highlands Council website, and all public comments;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Highlands Council that the Executive Director is hereby authorized to provide the consistency determination to NJDEP on behalf of the Highlands Council.

#### CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Highlands Council at its meeting held on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2008.

  
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John Weingart, Chairman