

Has your property been proposed to be removed from the Draft Future Sewer Service Area (SSA) because it is mapped in a riparian buffer zone pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:15?

Riparian buffer zones, or Special Water Resource Protection Areas (SWRPA), along Category One waters and their tributaries are established under the Stormwater Management rules, N.J.A.C. 7:8. Surface waters that are designated Category One are listed in the Surface Water Quality Standards at N.J.A.C. 7:9B.

If so, and you have valid prior approvals, and you wish to have it put back into the SSA, then here's what you must do:

- 1.) Submit copies of your DEP Division of Land Use Regulation (DLUR) Freshwater Wetlands Letter of Interpretation (LOI) or Permit (if required), and stream encroachment permit (if required); and
- 2.) A completed Draft Wastewater Service Area Mapping Correction Request Form to BOTH addresses below.

The DEP Office of Land Use Planning can be reached at (609) 292-3225.

The Morris County Department of Planning and Development can be reached at (973) 829-8120.

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If so, and you think it was removed erroneously because it is not located in a riparian buffer zone, then here's what you must do:

- 1.) To find out if your property is mapped within a SWRPA, if you have GIS capabilities, you may look up this information on DEP's GIS website at <http://www.nj.gov/dep/gis/listall.html> and click on "Surface Water Quality Standards" and then "C1 Waters".

If you do not have GIS capabilities, you may look up this information on "NJ-Geo-Web/i-MapNJ" from the DEP's website at <http://www.nj.gov/dep/gis/newmapping.htm>.

Although only C1 waterways and their buffers were removed from draft sewer service area mapping, lesser width buffer areas for other stream categories are similarly ineligible for inclusion in the sewer service area.

- 2.) Submit a completed Draft Wastewater Service Area Mapping Correction Request Form to the addresses listed above.