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### Public Notice

City of Woodbury  
Gloucester County, New Jersey  
Woodbury-Glassboro Road Water Main Replacement  
Project No. 0822001-001

To All Interested Government Agencies and Public Groups:

An Environmental Decision Document (EDD) and Environmental Assessment (EA) was issued on April 21, 2011 for the City of Woodbury (City). These documents were issued in accordance with the procedures established to evaluate projects that have applied and are eligible for construction financing assistance under the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Financing Program (NJEIFP). The approved project consists of the replacement of approximately 14,200 linear feet of 12-inch cast iron water mains and 8,200 linear feet of 16-inch cast iron water mains with either high-density polyethylene or C-905 polyvinyl chloride pipes. The City is proposing to replace the existing 12-inch (100-year old) and 16-inch (60-year old) water mains from the Sewell wells, numbers 1A/2A, to the City limits at Railroad Avenue, because these water mains are experiencing longitudinal water main breaks along Woodbury-Glassboro Road.

Originally, all the proposed work was to be done in the existing roadways and no work was to impact the existing grass shoulder. Since the issuance of the aforementioned EDD and EA, the City has decided to place approximately 1,000 linear feet of the new water main under the existing concrete sidewalk between Elm and Fairview Avenues, rather than inside the existing roadway. The reason for this is due to the fact that the existing roadway was recently redone with new 8-inch thick concrete and placing the new water main within the existing sidewalk would be more cost-efficient for the City, rather than excavating the new roadway and replacing the existing water main in-kind. The existing water main between Elm and Fairview Avenues will be abandoned and capped in place.

As many as six mature trees may need to be removed from the sidewalk since the sidewalk is being displaced by the large roots. Additionally, approximately 500 square feet of grassy lawn

area is expected to be impacted as a result of the installation of this portion of water pipe. A 4-foot deep trench will be excavated in the sidewalk in order to determine the location of the existing utility lines prior to installing the new pipe.

The installation of the water main within the sidewalk may cause temporary inconveniences to the residents as this work will impact approximately 500 square feet of lawns and will cause inconveniences in the form of noise, dust, and minor traffic congestion. No further increases to the proposed user charges will occur as a result of this change in scope. As mentioned in the April 21, 2011 EA, the existing annual user charges of approximately \$135 are expected to increase by only \$4.00 as a result of the entire project. This increase will only be 0.24% of the median annual household income (\$74,990), which is below the 1.75% affordability threshold.

The Department of Environmental Protection (Department) has reviewed the proposed scope change for potential environmental impacts in accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:22-10 and has determined that little or no adverse environmental impacts will occur for this portion of the project.

As the Department supports the award of financing to facilitate improvement of inadequate infrastructure in areas of the State that have already been developed, the proposed change in the original project scope is consistent with New Jersey's smart growth objectives.

Project Cost:           \$ 3,350,000

Proposed Loan:       \$ 3,350,000

Questions concerning this notice, or request for a copy of the April 21, 2011 EDD and EA should be addressed to: Mail Code 401-03D, Anthony Puniello, Ph. D., Section Chief, NJDEP, Division of Water Quality, Municipal Finance and Construction Element, Bureau of Environmental and Engineering Reviews, P.O. Box 420, Trenton, New Jersey, 08625-0420.

Very truly yours,



for

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