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### **MEMORANDUM**

To:

Roxbury Water Quality Committee

From:

Margaret Nordstrom, Executive Director

Subject:

Committee Meeting Minutes – May 21, 2015

Date:

June 11, 2015

A Roxbury Water Quality Committee meeting was held on Thursday, May 21, 2015 at the Highlands Council office in Chester. Committee Members present: Committee Chair Dressler, Committee Members Francis and Richko via phone.

Visiting Attendees from Roxbury Township: Mark A. Caputo, H.O., Director of Health & Code Enforcement; and Richard A. Blood, CPWM, Director of Public Works.

Staff Members present: Margaret Nordstrom, Chris Danis, Chris Ross, and Annette Tagliareni.

Also present: Michael Collins, Assistant Counsel, Governor's Authorities Unit, and Matt Kelly, DAG via phone.

Committee Chair Dressler opened the meeting at 3:04pm.

### Highlands Council

Committee Chair Dressler reported that this committee was formed by the Highlands Water Protection and Planning Council (the Council) to gather as much information/data as possible regarding water quality conditions in Roxbury Township. NJDEP representatives attended the committee's meeting on April 30<sup>th</sup> to begin the process and provide relevant ground water and surface water quality data. Committee Chair Dressler added that the committee was interested in what water quality data Roxbury Township has collected and to discuss Highlands grant funding available to the Township for the possible collection and analysis of additional stream corridor information/data.

## Roxbury Township

Mr. Blood provided an overview of a report prepared by the Township's consultant, Maser Consulting, which included an analysis of the ground water quality data collected by the NJDEP on April 1, 2015. Mr. Blood reported that the Maser Consulting report has been sent to NJDEP.

Mr. Caputo provided data to the committee from an April 1, 2015, New Jersey Department of Health report.

Committee Chair Dressler asked how many residential wells were tested and if Roxbury Township can provide additional testing of the residential wells to see if there are any changes in the water quality.

### Plan Conformance

Ms. Ross, Roxbury Township's Highlands' liaison, stated that the Township has \$35,000 in grant funding available for a municipal-wide Stream Corridor Protection/Restoration Study. Ms. Nordstrom added that the first thing needed is an agreed upon scope of work, timeline, and budget.

Ms. Nordstrom noted that at Highlands Council staff's monthly coordination meeting with NJDEP staff on May 29<sup>th</sup> Highlands staff will discuss the committee's mission and on-going data collection activities.

Member Richko left the meeting at 3:39pm.

#### Next Meeting

The next committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 11, 2015 at 2:00pm. Bill Kibler, Director of Policy for the Raritan Headwaters Association will be invited to this meeting.

The committee adjourned at 3:00pm.