Public Scoping Hearing Notice

RE: Laurelbrook Wastewater Pump Station Sewer Force Main Emergency Replacement Under the Metedeoconk River Proposed Green Acres Diversion of Portion of Lot 35.01, Block 755 Brick Township, Ocean County, New Jersey

TAKE NOTICE that the Brick Township Municipal Utilities Authority (BTMUA) on behalf of Ocean County will hold a public hearing (scoping hearing) on Monday, September 15, 2025 at 6 pm at the BTMUA Office Main Conference Room, 1551 Hwy 88 W, Brick, NJ 08724.

The purpose of the hearing will be to receive public comment on the proposed diversion of approximately 0.02 acre portion of Lot 35.01, Block 755, 3.03 acre of Ocean County owned parkland. BTMUA is requesting a permanent utility easement over this portion of the property for access to recently constructed parallel sanitary sewer force main underground pipe. The parallel force main was constructed as part of Laurelbrook Wastewater Pump Station Sewer Force Main Emergency Replacement Under Metedeconk River, an emergency project. As a compensation for the proposed diversion, BTMUA proposes to provide a replacement land on 1:1 compensation basis from BTMUA owned Lot 37.02, Block 755.

Lot 35.01, Block 755 is located at the end of River Bluff Road in Brick, New Jersey and is encumbered by State of New Jersey Green Acres restrictions. BTMUA, on behalf of Ocean County, will submit an application for the major diversion of said land to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Green Acres Program, for approval by the Department's Commissioner and by the State House Commission. A public scoping hearing is required by the Green Acres' regulations prior to the submission of any formal application for the diversion of parkland.

Public may appear in-person in order to comment on the proposed diversion and/or may submit written comments. In accordance with Green Acres rules, all written comments must be submitted by September 29, 2025 (2 weeks after the scoping hearing date) to Alina Ferreira, Supervisor - Engineering Division, Brick Township Municipal Utilities Authority, 1551 Hwy 88 W, Brick, NJ 08724 or via email to aferreira@brickmua.com. A copy of written comments must also be submitted to the Green Acres Program at PublicLandCompliance@dep.nj.gov, Please include "Brick Township Municipal Utilities Authority" in the subject line. Email comments are preferred, but comments may also be mailed to: New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Office of Transactions and Public Land Administration, Public Land Compliance Section, 401 East State Street, 7th Floor, Mail Code 401-07, P.O. Box 420, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0420, Attn: Brick Township Municipal Utilities Authority's Application.



BRICK TOWNSHIP, OCEAN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

BTMUA APPLICATION GREEN ACRES DIVERSION SCALE 1"=300'