STATE OF CONNECTICUT



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

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To: Directors of Health

Chief Sanitarians

Professional Engineers

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Subject: Extension of Groundwater Monitoring Period

The 2006 maximum groundwater-monitoring period for subsurface sewage disposal system site investigations is being extended to include the months of January and June of 2006. Groundwater levels were near their maximum levels in January and June in much of the State due to above normal precipitation in the fall of 2005 and in late spring of 2006. The Department of Public Health in accordance with Public Health Code Section 19-13-B103d (e)(2) hereby establishes the 2006 monitoring period to be from January 1, 2006 to June 30, 2006. As such, local health departments can take into consideration monitoring data collected between these dates.

Local Health Departments can request professional engineers prepare reports on groundwater conditions on lots that wet season monitoring was required. Checking groundwater levels in nearby monitoring wells tracked by the United States Geological Survey (USGS) can assist in determining when peak conditions occurred. The USGS data is available at: http://groundwaterwatch.usgs.gov/StateMaps/CT.html and http://nwis.waterdata.usgs.gov/ct/nwis/gwlevels.

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