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NOTICE OF AGRICULTURAL WATER USE APPLICATION

IN THE MATTER OF: LOMBARDI FARMS INC

Application No. AT0038 to divert water from 3 existing and 1 new wells in Buena Borough, Atlantic County.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Water Supply Management Act, N.J.S.A. 58:1A et seq., LOMBARDI FARMS INC, 138 Atlantic St, Landisville, New Jersey, 08326-1203, filed an application on October 1, 2018 with the Rutgers Cooperative Extension and the Department of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Water Allocation & Well Permitting, for approval of plans to divert 54.78 million gallons of water per month (MGM) and 345.62 million gallons of water per year (MGY), at a maximum rate of 2,550 gallons per minute (GPM) from 3 existing and 1 proposed wells, 150 to 200 feet deep; completed in the Kirkwood-Cohansey aquifer. This request represents the addition of Well 2, Permit Number E201511108 as a diversion source at 50 GPM and combination of Agricultural Certifications AT0038, AT0218 and part of AT0051, leading to increase in irrigated acreage from 105 acres to 269 acres and a new allocation request of 2,550 GPM, 54.78 MGM and 345.62 MGY. The wells are located in Buena Borough, Atlantic County at the Lombardi Farm off of Atlantic Avenue. The diversion is to be used for irrigation of vegetables.

The application is available for public review, by appointment only, at the Offices of the Rutgers Cooperative Extension, 6260 Old Harding Highway, Mays Landing, and at the Bureau of Water Allocation & Well Permitting, 401 East State Street, Trenton (609) 984-6831.

Written comments and/or requests for a public hearing on the application must be received by the Department within 30 days of the publication of this notice, and submitted to:

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If a timely hearing request is received during this period, and the issues raised cannot be resolved, or if it is determined by the Department that a hearing would be in the public interest, public notice will be given in order to schedule a public hearing pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:20A-2.5(k).

Upon completion of its review, the Department will make a final determination in the matter and the conditions to be contained within the certification, if issued.