

TOWNSHIP OF UPPER DEERFIELD

RESOLUTION 14-191

REQUESTING NEW JERSEY DEP, DIVISION OF FISH AND WILDLIFE TO DETERMINE THE SPECIES OF ORIGIN FOR THE E. COLI CONTAMINATION FOUND IN THE COHANSEY RIVER WATERSHED

WHEREAS, the Cumberland County Department of Health, Environmental Division has performed water sampling at thirteen locations in the Cohansey River Watershed to test for E. Coli and tested six sites for human bacteroids in lakes and streams in and around Mary Elmer Lake, Silver Lake and Sunset Lake in Upper Deerfield; and

WHEREAS, the Cohansey River Watershed constitutes a major recreational component of the Township of Upper Deerfield and the City of Bridgeton; and

WHEREAS, most sites tested greater than 200 col1f100ml for E. Coli; and

WHEREAS, as a consequence and to protect public health, public swimming areas in the Township of Upper Deerfield and the City of Bridgeton have been closed to the public; and

WHEREAS, at the request of the Cohansey Area Watershed Association the samples were speciated and determined to be non-human; and

WHEREAS, further testing is necessary to determine the species of origin; and

WHEREAS, The Cumberland County Board of Health requires the assistance of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Fish and Wildlife to determine the species of origin.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Upper Deerfield to authorize a formal request to be made to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Fish and Wildlife to determine the species of origin for the E. Coli contamination found by the Cumberland County Department of Health, Environmental Division in the Cohansey River Watershed, specifically in lakes and streams in and around Mary Elmer Lake, Silver Lake and Sunset Lake in Upper Deerfield.

Moved By: Bruce Peterson

Seconded By: Scott Smith

VOTING

James P. Crilley
John L. Daddario
John T. O'Neill, Sr.
Bruce T. Peterson
Scott Smith

<u>In Favor</u>	<u>Against</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of Resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Upper Deerfield, in the County of Cumberland, at a meeting thereof held July3, 2014.

Roy J. Spoltore, Township Clerk