

CHAPTER 10

Environmental Review

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10.1 State Environmental Policy Act

The State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) requires an environmental review for water systems with 1,000 or more service connections. A SEPA checklist was completed for this Plan and a Determination of Non-Significance was issued by the District in October 2000. Copies of both documents can be found in Appendix Y. The plan identifies a Capital Improvement Program (CIP) to cover a 15-year planning period; details regarding specific components of the CIP are not available at this time. Therefore, the SEPA checklist discusses the CIP at a programmatic level, and is addressed as a nonproject action. Each component of the CIP will undergo future project site-specific SEPA review as components begin design for implementation. Any site-specific environmental issues or concerns will be identified and addressed for each component of the CIP during that future project site-specific SEPA review.

10.2 Environmental Protection Plan

The District is initiating work on an Environmental Protection Plan (EPP). The EPP is intended to set forth procedures and practices that will enable the District to operate in a manner that protects the environment to an extent that is reasonably possible. These procedures and practices will be developed for use with operation and maintenance activities of the District's water and sewer system and construction of new water and sewer facilities through both capital improvement projects and developer extensions.