

ASSEMBLY STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION ASSEMBLY STANDING COMMITTEE ON HEALTH ASSEMBLY SUBCOMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

<u>SUBJECT</u>: Water Quality and Budget Implementation

<u>PURPOSE</u>: To examine water quality issues and to review implementation of the \$2.5 billion in water infrastructure funding contained in the 2017-18 State Budget.

New York City Assembly Hearing Room 250 Broadway, Room 1923, 19th Floor Manhattan Monday December 4, 2017 10:00 a.m.

The 2017-18 State Budget contained \$2.5 billion in multi-year funding for water infrastructure projects including: \$110 million for land acquisition for source water protection; \$1 billion for upgrades to municipal drinking water and wastewater infrastructure; \$130 million for drinking water remediation and mitigation of contaminated water; \$75 million for septic system replacement; \$150 million for intermunicipal water infrastructure; and, \$20 million for the replacement of lead drinking water service lines. The purpose of this hearing is to examine the implementation of these programs as well as their role in ensuring water affordability, and to examine water quality issues such as harmful algal blooms, increasing nitrogen levels, pesticide contamination, and water pollution prevention and enforcement.

Persons wishing to present pertinent testimony to the Committee at the above hearing should complete and return the enclosed reply form as soon as possible. It is important that the reply form be fully completed and returned so that persons may be notified in the event of emergency postponement or cancellation.

Oral testimony will be limited to ten minutes' duration. In preparing the order of witnesses, the Committee will attempt to accommodate individual requests to speak at particular times in view of special circumstances. These requests should be made on the attached reply form or communicated to Committee staff as early as possible.

Ten copies of any prepared testimony should be submitted at the hearing registration desk. The Committee would appreciate advance receipt of prepared statements. In order to further publicize these hearings, please inform interested parties and organizations of the Committee's interest in hearing testimony from all sources.

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