

TOWNSHIP OF DOWNE

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

TAKE NOTICE that the Township of Downe has filed a request with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection for funding through the New Jersey Water Bank for the proposed Downe Township Sewer Project. This project will provide sanitary sewer infrastructure to serve the existing development within the villages of Fortescue and Gandy's Beach, the Fortescue Park/Heritage Hill Estates mobile home park and the Raybin's Beach sewer service area. The existing development in the sewer service area is currently served by individual septic systems. NJDEP shoreline studies and a study conducted by the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) found that Fortescue and Gandy's Beach have infrastructure issues including failing septic systems and leaking holding tanks in areas with shallow water tables and frequent flooding. The proposed centralized collection, conveyance and treatment facilities are intended to resolve the current wastewater issues within this sewer service area.

A new treatment plant will be constructed in Fortescue with a capacity of 130,000 gpd. A pumping station is proposed at Gandy's Beach. Flow from Gandy's Beach will be conveyed to the Fortescue Wastewater Treatment Plant via a force main that will be installed along the paved roads. The total estimated cost of the project is \$16.2 M, of which \$4.12 M will be funded by the New Jersey Water Bank.

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:22-10.10(b); a hearing to obtain public comment on this request will be held at:

**Downe Township School
220 Main Street
Newport, NJ**

Monday, November 1, 2021 at 6:00pm

All information submitted by the Township to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection in support of the Downe Township Sewer Project is available for public inspection at the Municipal Building, 288 Main Street, Newport, NJ 08345. For questions or comments regarding the documents, contact Nadine E. Lockley, RMC, Municipal Clerk, via email at downtwpclerk@comcast.net or phone at (856) 447-3100 x 101.

BE ADVISED:

- **MASKS MUST BE WORN**
- **SOCIAL DISTANCING WILL BE ENFORCED – SEATING WILL BE LIMITED**
- **WRITTEN QUESTIONS/COMMENTS CAN BE SUBMITTED PRIOR TO HEARING**

**Nadine E. Lockley, RMC
Municipal Clerk**