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DEP Launches Mobile Application for Reporting of Non-Emergency Environmental Incidents

Who is affected by this advisory?

Members of the public with smartphones or other mobile devices who want to report non-emergency environmental incidents electronically.

Why is DEP issuing this advisory?

The Department of Environmental Protection has launched a pilot mobile application that will enhance protection of public health and the environment by enabling the public to use smartphones and other mobile devices to conveniently report non-emergency environmental incidents. The app utilizes GPS technology for pinpoint location of environmental incidents and also allows users to submit photos as part of their reports to the DEP.

What should I do?

The pilot app can be downloaded through Google Play, the Apple app store and the Microsoft app store. Enter WARN NJDEP in the search bar. Once the app has been downloaded, it can be used to report non-emergency environmental incidents. The types of non-emergency incidents that may be reported through the application include improper storage or disposal of waste and other materials, odor complaints, sewage leaks, smoke and dust complaints, underground storage tank incidents, and wetlands or stream encroachment issues. The app is not intended to report life-threatening and/or environmental emergencies. These should be reported by calling 9-1-1, local police or the DEP's hotline.

What is DEP doing?

The Department is committed to engaging the public as partners in strong environmental protection. The application utilizes the latest technology to enhance protection of the environment by making it convenient for people to report incidents that can negatively impact New Jersey communities.

Where can I get more information?

For Apple Devices: https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/warn-njdep/id1133675885?mt=8

For Android Devices: https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.nicusa.NJI.WARNNJDEP

For Windows Devices: https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/store/p/warn-njdep/9nblggh4v0px