

**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION** 

## **EXPLANATION**

The "Brownfield and Contaminated Site Remediation Act" (N.J.S.A. 58:10B-1 et seq.) requires the Department of Environmental Protection to map regions of the state where large areas of historic fill exist and make this information available to the public. This map shows areas of historic fill covering more than approximately 5 acres. For the purposes of this map, historic fill is non-indigenous material placed on a site in order to raise the topographic elevation of the site. No representation is made as to the composition of the fill or presence of contamination in the fill. Some areas mapped as fill may contain chemical-production waste or ore-processing waste that exclude them from the legislative definition of historic fill.

Fill was mapped from stereo aerial photography taken in March 1979, supplemented in places by planimetric aerial photography taken in the spring of 1991 and 1992. Additional areas of fill were mapped by comparing areas of swamp, marsh, and floodplain shown on archival topographic and geologic maps on file at the N. J. Geological Survey, dated between 1840 and 1910, to their modern extent. In a few places, fill was mapped from field observations and from drillers' logs of wells and borings.

Most urban and suburban areas are underlain by a discontinuous layer of excavated indigenous soil mixed with varying amounts of non-indigenous material. This material generally does not meet the definition of historic fill and is not depicted on this map. Also, there may be historic fills that are not detectable on aerial photography or by archival map interpretation and so are not shown on this map, particularly along streams in urban and suburban areas.

## Use of the maps related to the Technical Rules, N.J.A.C. 7:26E

This map is provided for informational purposes only. The use of this map as the only source of information regarding the presence of historic fill at a site does not fulfill the diligent inquiry requirements of the Preliminary Assessment set forth at, N.J.A.C. 7:26E-3.1(c). This map may be used as one source of information to fulfill the requirements of the Site Investigation at, N.J.A.C. 7:26E-3.12. This map is not intended to fulfill the Remedial Investigation requirements associated with historic fill at, N.J.A.C. 7:26E-4.6(b).



