

Bridgewater Township

SOMERSET REGIONAL CENTER DRAFT ACTION PLAN

OPA Draft: 8/24/11)

NOTE: Each Action Item and Deliverable shall fully resolve the corresponding Consistency Issue and related Items.

Item No.	Subject	Consistency Issue	Action Item (Summary)	Deliverable	Local Deadline	State Deadline
A1	MOU	Bridgewater Township agrees to continue with Plan Endorsement	Bridgewater Township needs to sign the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the State Planning Commission and the Township.	Bridgewater Township will address the items on their Action Plan.	Submitted to OPA 45 days after Consistency Review and Action Plan are accepted.	
A2	Environmental Resources Inventory (ERI)	Bridgewater Township agrees to continue with Plan Endorsement	Bridgewater Township submitted an ERI, but did not include the digital maps from the appendices.	Digital Maps	Submitted to OPA 45 days after Consistency Review and Action Plan are accepted.	
A3	Sustainability Statement	Submit a sustainability statement	It is suggested that a sustainability statement be drafted and agreed to by all Somerset Regional Center municipalities.	Joint Sustainability Statement	1-Sep-12	Within 45 days of submission
B1	Recycling	Recycling statement of consistency is a mandatory Requirement for Plan Endorsement	The petition shall include a statement of consistency with the district recycling plan (i.e., County Solid Waste Management Plan), including municipal strategies to achieve the State's Recycling Plan Goals and reduce municipal solid waste.	Recycling Statement of Consistency	1-Sep-12	Within 45 days of submission

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C1	Community Facilities	Board of Education Five-Year Facilities Plan is a requirement for Plan Endorsement	The Township of Bridgewater shall submit the Board of Education's Five-Year Facilities Plan. Like the importance of other community facilities, schools should be appropriately sited within a municipality. Where possible they should be within walking distance for students. Walking paths or sidewalks should be located away from fast moving traffic to accommodate younger students. Schools in particular play a significant role in a municipality's built environment due to their potential impacts, both positive and negative, on community development, land use and transportation. It is critical that land use decisions and school siting be coordinated. Schools should not be isolated campuses but part of the neighborhood fabric, doubling as focal points for the community as a whole. Whether by local streets and or walking/biking paths, schools should be accessible by modes other than the car or school bus, thereby helping to reduce transportation costs. Where possible, walking/biking should be the primary mode of access for schools.	Board of Education Five-Year Facilities Plan	1-Sep-12	Within 45 days of submission
C2	Hazard Planning	Emergency Planning is a requirement for Plan Endorsement	The petition shall include formal evidence that the Town has an Emergency Operating Plan approved by the New Jersey State Police. An approval letter from the State Police may be submitted in lieu of the full Plan.	Approval letter from State Police for an Emergency Operating Plan	1-Sep-12	Within 45 days of submission
D1	Stormwater Management Plan	Continue to assist the County in the creation of the County Stormwater Management Plan.	Submit an adopted Stormwater Management Plan and Municipal Stormwater Management Ordinance with proof of adoption and implementing ordinance. Take any additional actions required by DEP after their review of Bridgewater's municipal stormwater management plan and ordinances.	Municipal Stormwater Management Ordinance	1-Sep-12	Within 45 days of submission
D2	Wastewater Quality Management	Adopt a suite of resource conservation ordinances related to the WQMP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stream Corridor/Riparian Protection • Steep Slopes • Water Conservation • Wellhead Protection 	Township Committee and Planning Board	1-Sep-12	Within 45 days of submission

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D3	Utilities	Wastewater Treatment and Associated Zoning Amendments	Township of Bridgewater should continue to work with Somerset County to ensure that it is properly represented in the proposed Somerset County Wastewater Management Plan. Township of Bridgewater shall continue to provide sufficient and appropriate data (zoning, treatment plant data, projections etc.) to Somerset County to assist in development of the Somerset County Wastewater Management Plan.	Chapter in Somerset County Wastewater Quality Management Plan	1-Sep-12	Within 45 days of submission
E1	Planning & Implementation Agreement (PIA)	Planning & Implementation Agreement (PIA)	The Township shall update the draft PIA and provide proposed timetables for activities. State agencies will revise and add items as necessary until all are in agreement.	PIA following OPA template (Excel format)	Prior to Endorsement Before October 1, 2013	

