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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Proposed Rulemaking to Amend Lake Champlain Drainage Basin Regulations

A. PURPOSE/BACKGROUND

The purpose of the proposed rulemaking is to amend Part 830 of Title 6 of the Official Compilation of Codes, Rules, and Regulations of the State of New York (6 NYCRR) to upgrade the classifications of certain surface waters in order to meet federal Clean Water Act goals for water quality. In addition, some waters would be upgraded from "non-trout" to "trout" waters.

B. PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETINGS TIME/LOCATION

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (Department) will hold public information meetings on October 13, 2016 at 2-4 PM and 6-8 PM at Town of Plattsburgh, Town Office Meeting Room, 151 Banker Road, Plattsburgh, NY 12901. The Department will present an overview of the proposed rulemaking at both meetings. Note that these are information meetings only, and no public comments will be accepted at these meetings.

C. PUBLIC HEARING TIME/LOCATION

The Department will hold a public hearing at 11 AM on November 2, 2016 at Town of Plattsburgh, Town Office Meeting Room, 151 Banker Road, Plattsburgh, NY 12901. The purpose of the public hearing is to accept oral and written comments on the proposed rulemaking.

D. PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE PROPOSED RULEMAKING

1. Public Comment Period

The public comment period commenced on September 7, 2016. Written statements may be submitted to NYSDEC, 625 Broadway, 4th Floor, Albany, NY



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12233-3500, ATTN: Robert Simson or by email to Part.830Reclass@dec.ny.gov. Written statements must be submitted to the Department by 5 PM on November 7, 2016.

2. Public Hearing

At the public hearing to be held on November 2, 2016, attendees will have an opportunity to make an oral statement and/or file a written statement. It is not necessary to file a written statement or request in order to appear to make a statement at the hearing. Written statements received prior to, during, or after the hearing (before the comment period closes on November 7, 2016), and oral statements made at the hearing will be given equal consideration.

E. PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETINGS AND PUBLIC HEARING FACILITIES/SERVICES

The public information meetings and public hearing are scheduled at a location reasonably accessible to persons with a mobility impairment. Interpreter services will be made available to hearing-impaired persons, at no charge, upon advance written request received by the Department (see contact information) within a reasonable time prior to the scheduled hearing and information meeting.

F. ENVIRONMENTAL AND REGULATORY IMPACT REVIEW

The Department has determined that the proposed revisions will not have a significant adverse environmental impact. The Department has prepared a Regulatory Impact Statement, a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for small businesses and local governments, a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis, and a statement why a Job Impact Statement is not required, in accordance with the State Administrative Procedures Act.

G. AVAILABLE DOCUMENTS

Copies of the rulemaking documents described above, along with the Express Terms (text of the proposed rule), are available on the Department website at <http://www.dec.ny.gov/regulations/propregulations.html> or by contacting the Department at the address on the reverse or by email to Part.830Reclass@dec.ny.gov or calling (518) 402-8233.