

MAHWAH TOWNSHIP WATER DEPARTMENT UPDATE 9-1-2011

As a precautionary measure and out of an abundance of caution, the Township of Mahwah Water Department closed and sealed the production water wells along the Ramapo River on August 28, 2011. Other water sources, including an interconnection with United Water remained in operation. With the advice of NJDEP, the Township investigated the impact of a diesel oil spill which occurred in NY State during hurricane Irene. The consensus opinion is that the large flood volume of water during the storm flushed the vast majority of the petroleum product downstream. Although there may be some residual surface and shoreline contamination, the aquifer 100 feet below the surface has not been affected. The Water Department is continuing testing and monitoring of the system for contamination. The wells along the Ramapo River have returned to full operation. As always, please conserve water and return to normal usage.