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BUREAU OF WATER SUPPLY***

*Report on implementation of the Septic Remediation and Replacement Program.*

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### **3.1 Septic Remediation and Replacement Program - Milestone/Reporting Requirements**

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During the second half of 2011, the Catskill Watershed Corporation (CWC) continued to implement the septic system inspection and repair program by priority areas. These priority areas include: 1A (sub-basins within 60-day travel time to distribution that are near intakes); 1B (sub-basins within 60-day travel time to distribution that are not near intakes); P3 (within 50 feet of a watercourse); P4 (between 50 feet and 100 feet of a watercourse); P5 (100 to 150 feet); P6 (150 to 200 feet) and P7 (200 to 250 feet).

A subprogram is available to small businesses with 100 or fewer employees located within 250 feet of a watercourse and/or within 500 feet of a reservoir or reservoir stem. The program pays up to 75% of the cost of septic system remediations up to a cap of \$40,000 per system. One small business septic system remediation was completed during the second half of 2011, bringing the total number of small business septic system remediations to four.

Another subprogram is the Cluster Septic System Program which funds the planning, design and construction of cluster systems in 13 identified hamlets. Cluster Septic System Program rules were adopted in April 2011. There was no project activity in this program during the second half of 2011.

Through the various septic programs (Priority Area, Reimbursement, Small Business, and Hardship) 155 septic systems were repaired, replaced or managed during the second half of 2011, bringing the year's total to 227. Since program inception, a total of 3,789 septic systems have been repaired, replaced or managed.