

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS WATER RESOURCES COMMISSION

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Schedule for Preparation of Water Needs Forecasts for Public Water Suppliers with Water Management Act Permits

Public water suppliers and communities who plan to either renew existing Water Management Act (WMA) permits or submit new permit applications to the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection must include a 20-year forecast of water needs with their permit applications. Public water suppliers and communities should obtain such forecasts from the Water Resources Commission. Staff in the Department of Conservation and Recreation, Office of Water Resources, prepare these forecasts in accordance with the Commission's Policy for Developing Water Needs Forecasts for Public Water Suppliers and Communities and Methodology for Implementation (Dec. 13, 2007), available at http://www.mass.gov/envir/mwrc/pdf/121307, waterneedsforcast.pdf.

Forecasts are being developed in coordination with MassDEP's WMA permit renewal schedule and deadlines. The following is the schedule for forecasts currently in progress.

Watershed	WMA Permit Expiration Date	Public Water Supplier & Location	Permit Application Filing Dates	Target Date for Completing Forecasts
Hudson	Aug. 31, 2008	Adams Fire District	May 1 – 31, 2008	April 18, 2008
		Cheshire Water Dept.	May 1 – 31, 2008	April 18, 2008
		North Adams Water Dept.	May 1 – 31, 2008	April 18, 2008
		Williamstown Water Dept.	May 1 – 31, 2008	April 18, 2008

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