SRBC Approves Package Of Revised Regulations

Co.)—The Susquehanna River Basin Commission (SRBC) on Thursday approved its proposed package of comprehensive regulatory revisions to the nonconsumptive water use provisions.

Non-consumptive water use means that the water will be returned to the basin and not permanently lost. The revisions will make the existing regulations easier to understand and help streamline the approval process for ground and surface water withdrawal applications in the basin

The regulatory revisions were initially published as proposed in the Federal Register in June 1994 and were the subject of nine public hearings throughout the basin area. Following the many comments received, the SRBC made many significant revisions.

"The public hearing process

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BLOOMSBURG (Columbia proved to be extremely valuable to us. In particular, we learned of the many concerns from the agricultural community to our initial proposal and we made the changes accordingly," said Paul Swartz, SRBC executive director.

"In fact, our final regulatory revisions package was supported by many agricultural interests, including PA Farm Bureau, Maryland Farm Bureau, PA Dept. of Agriculture, Maryland Dept. of Agriculture, PA State Grange, PA House Agriculture and Rural

Affairs Committee, as well as the SRBC Agricultural Water Use Advisory Committee."

The two substantive revisions in the package are:

1. all new surface water withdrawals greater than 100,000 gallons per day must be approved by the SRBC; and

2. all surface and ground water withdrawals greater than 10,000 gallons per day must be registered with the SRBC upon the consent of the SRBC's member states.

There are many benefits to the

registration program. It would afford existing water users protection from the heavy competition new water users sometimes pose. We strongly believe that it is in the interest of existing users to know what quantity they currently use and to protect their sources. The registration program can help do exactly that," said Swartz.

The regulations, which go into

effect immediately, call for many other changes and improvements in the administrative and technical procedures sections.

They include: • Consolidating the purposes and definitions language in one place. • Clarifying which types of water withdrawal/ use projects require SRBC approval. • Eliminating the requirement that approved groundwater projects be reviewed every 5 years. • Establishing a process for SRBC to notify local media, municipalities and county planning agencies of pending water withdrawal/use applications. • Specifying the procedures for public hearings: • Giving the SRBC executive director the authority to initiate temporary emergency actions. • Requiring approved projects to be imple-(Turn to Page A39)

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