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Docket: #2022-P-W-0008 Inland Bays Regional Wastewater Facility

Regarding the proposed permit for the IBRWF permit upgrades, I noticed that the spatial density of seed to be planted each summer and winter is not specified. If that density is not in the permit, then there is no specification. They can plant as sparsely as they wish. The photos (pg. 2) I took today (June 7, 2022) highlight this point very clearly.

The photo on the left is from a wheat field along Rt. 24. It is similar to another field down the road. It shows a very healthy, densely planted crop of wheat. On the right is a photo of some sort of grain crop on a portion of the IBRWF spray fields. The crop density is anemic and the crop is completely interspersed with weeds. Go take a look. TODAY. It is right there for everyone to see.

The permit needs to have some sort of seed density or crop density requirement to help ensure there is sufficient crop to uptake the required nitrogen and drown out the weeds. That requirement needs to then be monitored for compliance because as we all know, the IBRWF will try to get away with permit non-compliance the minute you blink.

June 7, 2022, photograph comparing crop health and density

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