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Bethel Township Municipal Authority
Monthly Report for October '06

Village of Frystown:

1. The final submission (Archaeological report) was made to the Pennsylvania Historical Museum Commission (PHMC) for their final review and approval. The submission now reflects the current locations of the lines and Treatment Plant site.
2. The Erosion and Sediment Control Plans and Report (as well as General permits for the various stream crossings) were approved and permits issued by the Berks County Conservation District.
3. The easement work will continue over this next month (after the filing of the Part II permits for Bethel). Last month 32 easements were submitted with descriptions and exhibits (mapping). There are approximately 22 remaining easements.

Village of Bethel:

4. We have received a cost estimate for the additional Archaeological work for the Board's further review and ACTION. The revised work was necessitated by the final layout of the two (2) pump stations. We have furnished a copy for the Board's further review.
5. We are continuing our efforts in preparing the Part II permit applications, plans and supporting documents for the submission this month (as scheduled) as well as the Erosion and Sediment Control plans/permits. We would ask the Authority to consider having the applications signed, notarized and checks issued to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection for \$500.00 (WQM permit fee) and Berks County Clean Water Fund for \$250.00 (BCCD/NPDES permit fee). We would request the date of the check not be finalized until we have a certain submission date due to the timing efforts required with some of the equipment vendors (supporting documentation).

General System Information & Logistics:

6. We had a telephone conversation with Bond Counsel (Frank Leber) this month. Frank had some specific questions on the timing, schedule and logistics of the current projects. Frank was going to schedule a meeting this month with the Authority to discuss his findings and discussions with PENNWORKS (special meeting may be required) to keep the financing schedule.
7. This office prepared and submitted a revised Draw down schedule to PENNWORKS as requested by DCED. A copy of this submission was forwarded to the Authority.
8. The Architectural services are underway and continuing for the building layouts for the pump stations and the Treatment Plant sites. The layouts are being prepared in conjunction with the Architect and the equipment manufacturers (pumps, blowers, etc.). A stronger focus will be made on this aspect this month (after permit submissions are made).

9. We contacted Don Schwartz (RCAP) for an update to the income survey. Don explained that the initial survey letter (1st letter) was sent out and the response rate is relatively good. The second letter (being sent to non-respondents) will be issued on or about tomorrow and the follow up (field investigations) will occur on or about October 23, 2006.

Should there be any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,
Fisher Engineering, Inc.

John K. Roche, P.E.