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Bethel Township Municipal Authority
Monthly Report for February '05

Village of Frystown:

1. Proposals were received for the Phase 1 Archaeological Surveys as required by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission. Please review the summary (separate letter) we have prepared for the proposals. Some type of action on these proposals would help this part of the process to maintain the project schedule.
2. The final revisions with the PADEP ACT 537 plan are in the official (Berks County & Bethel Township) and public comment period (01/19/05 through 02/20/05). The Plan revisions were publicly advertised (as required) and the Township Supervisors will consider the plans revisions for adoption at their February 21, 2005 meeting. Comments were received from the Berks County Planning Commission; however, these comments can be adequately addressed with correspondence to the PADEP. The Bethel Township Planning Commission has reviewed the plan revisions and has recommended approval of these revisions as submitted.
3. As requested, we have prepared a tentative schedule for some of the targeted milestone dates for the Village of Frystown.

Village of Bethel:

4. The Final 537 Plan revisions for the Village of Bethel need to be completed. Once the final decisions are made (service area limits & Treatment Plant location) we will proceed with the necessary plan revision process for Bethel.
5. This office had several site meetings to discuss potential treatment plant site locations. As a result of those meetings, we have evaluated specific properties (vicinity of the Route 501 corridor) with respect to various encumbrances (wetlands, floodplain & agricultural security classifications). We have prepared a preliminary lot configuration (Printz Property) for the Authority to consider in this regard.
6. If the Authority wants to pursue the Printz Property as a Treatment Plant site, then additional mapping will be necessary. An additional cost proposal of \$ 650.00 was received from the Aerial Surveying Firm (L. Robert Kimball) to complete this mapping. The actual flight (aerial survey) was completed before, and the extra cost is associated with processing the raw data into a plan for our use.
7. This office will be assisting the Berks County Community & Economic Development (Tom McKeon) in processing the applications with the Penn Works Program (PA DCED). The Penn Works program does have grant funds available for approved projects.

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

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