



PUBLIC STATEMENT
Antrim Township Board of Supervisors
Borough of Greencastle Council and Mayor
November 25, 2019

TO: Franklin County Commissioners; Pa. Senator Judy Ward; Pa. Senator Doug Mastriano; Pa. State Representative Paul Schemel; Pa. State Representative Bob Kaufman; Pa. State Representative Jesse Topper; Pa. State Representative Johnathan Hershey; Pa. State Representative Dan Moul; U.S. Congressman John Joyce, MD; U.S. Congressman Pat Toomey; U.S. Congressman Bob Casey; Citizens of Greencastle-Antrim and Franklin County.

On Wednesday evening, November 20, 2019, the Antrim Township Supervisors and the Borough of Greencastle's Council and Mayor held a joint public meeting at the Rescue Hose Company Fire Station, 842 S. Washington Street, regarding the unfunded Federal mandate known as the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) and the unfunded mandate in Pennsylvania known as the Chesapeake Bay Agreement.

Both Pennsylvania municipalities in South-central Pennsylvania must comply. Antrim Township is required to reduce sediments by 245,011 pounds and Greencastle required to reduce sediments by approximately 142,000 pounds by December 31, 2023.

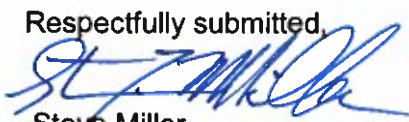
Following extensive discussion and public comments both elected bodies unanimously adopted motions to "SUSPEND ENGINEERING, BIDDING, AND CONSTRUCTION OF MS4 PROJECTS PENDING CLARIFICATION OF MS4 REQUIREMENTS BY THE FEDERAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, PA. DEPT. OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, AND PENNSYLVANIA GOVERNOR TOM WOLF. STAFF WILL CONTINUE WITH DAILY MS4 RESEARCH ACTIVITIES. GREENCASTLE WILL CONTINUE WITH THEIR LILIAN S. BESORE MEMORIAL LIBRARY STORMWATER BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES PROJECT."

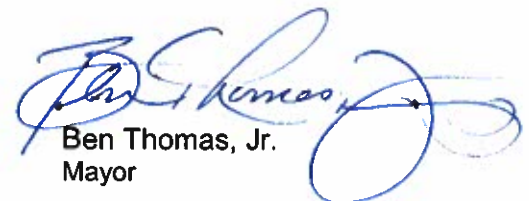
The Council, Mayor, and Township Supervisors requests the Franklin County Commissioners and elected officials in Franklin County Boroughs and Townships join us in a unified effort and appeal these unfunded mandates that will, most likely, be expanded in other areas of the County following the 2020 census. Sediment reduction numbers are based on models and not by actual stream and outfall testing. Greencastle-Antrim is seeking a common sense approach for any future projects, if needed, which will have positive, quantifiable, and cost effective results.

Greencastle-Antrim requests the Franklin County Commissioners appoint a focus group to spearhead these unified efforts to benefit all citizens of Franklin County.

We welcome your responses.


Fred Young
Chairman, Antrim Twp. Supervisors

Respectfully submitted,

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President, Greencastle Council


Ben Thomas, Jr.
Mayor

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