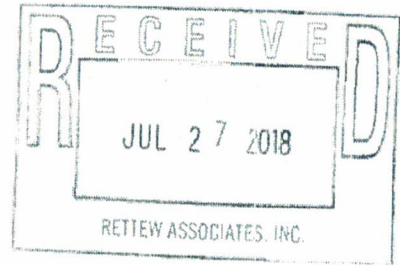




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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL  
PROTECTION

July 24, 2018

Pequea Township Board of Supervisors  
1028 Millwood Road  
Willow Street, PA 17584



Re: Approval Letter – Official Plan Update  
Act 537 Planning  
New Danville Special Study Area  
DEP CODE NO. B1-36945-ACT  
APS ID # 969732, AUTH ID # 1231833  
Pequea Township, Lancaster County

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) has reviewed the proposed Official Plan Update submitted on June 6, 2018, prepared by Rettew Associates, and entitled New Danville Special Study Area. The submission is consistent with the planning requirements in Chapter 71 of DEP's regulations. The plan provides for continuing the On Lot Sewage Management Program for the Township begun in 2016 for New Danville and the rest of the on lot systems in the Township. In addition, the plan indicates that there are no significant sewage needs or significant future growth expected since the New Danville Area is not in an Urban Growth Area as defined by the Township's Comprehensive Plan. Therefore, the plan determines that public sewers are not needed in the New Danville area at this time.

The plan is approved with the following comments:

1. Pequea Township's 1992 Sewage Facilities Plan remains in effect as the New Danville Plan merely updates that plan. In the 1992 Plan, page 2-12, and the Department's letter of June 23, 1994, indicates that the use of preliminary hydrogeologic studies during planning for subdivisions or developments using on lot disposal is required.
2. Pequea Township will continue to implement its On Lot Sewage System Management Program. Please provide an annual report of this program to the SC Regional Office of DEP.

Any person aggrieved by this action may appeal the action to the Environmental Hearing Board (Board), pursuant to Section 4 of the Environmental Hearing Board Act, 35 P.S. § 7514, and the Administrative Agency Law, 2 Pa.C.S. Chapter 5A. The Board's address is:

Environmental Hearing Board  
Rachel Carson State Office Building, Second Floor  
400 Market Street  
P.O. Box 8457  
Harrisburg, PA 17105-8457

TDD users may contact the Environmental Hearing Board through the Pennsylvania Relay Service, 800-654-5984.

Appeals must be filed with the Board within 30 days of receipt of notice of this action unless the appropriate statute provides a different time. This paragraph does not, in and of itself, create any right of appeal beyond that permitted by applicable statutes and decisional law.

A Notice of Appeal form and the Board's rules of practice and procedure may be obtained online at <http://ehb.courtapps.com> or by contacting the Secretary to the Board at 717-787-3483. The Notice of Appeal form and the Board's rules are also available in braille and on audiotape from the Secretary to the Board.

**IMPORTANT LEGAL RIGHTS ARE AT STAKE. YOU SHOULD SHOW THIS DOCUMENT TO A LAWYER AT ONCE. IF YOU CANNOT AFFORD A LAWYER, YOU MAY QUALIFY FOR FREE PRO BONO REPRESENTATION. CALL THE SECRETARY TO THE BOARD AT 717-787-3483 FOR MORE INFORMATION. YOU DO NOT NEED A LAWYER TO FILE A NOTICE OF APPEAL WITH THE BOARD.**

**IF YOU WANT TO CHALLENGE THIS ACTION, YOUR APPEAL MUST BE FILED WITH AND RECEIVED BY THE BOARD WITHIN 30 DAYS OF RECEIPT OF NOTICE OF THIS ACTION.**

If you have any questions or concerns, please call Bethany Sweger at 717-705-4761 and refer to DEP Code No. B1-36945-ACT Application No. 969732 and Authorization No. 1231833.

Sincerely,



Maria D. Bebenek, P.E.  
Program Manager

cc: Rettew Associates, Inc.  
Mark Deimler, P.E., SEO  
Lancaster County Planning Commission