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Re: Act 537 Plan Update
APS Id. 468747, AUTH Id. 484953
Lower Perkiomen Valley Regional
Sewer Authority Act 537 Plan
Montgomery County

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have completed our review of your municipality's updated official sewage facilities plan entitled *Act 537 Plan for Lower Perkiomen Valley Regional Sewer Authority* as prepared by R.F. Preston Engineering, Inc., dated May 12, 2003. The review was conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Pennsylvania Sewage Facilities Act.

Approval of the Plan is hereby granted.

The Plan provides for the transfer ownership of all of the existing sewerage facilities currently owned by the Montgomery County Sewer Authority to the Lower Perkiomen Valley Regional Sewer Authority.

The plan provides for the expansion of the Lower Perkiomen Valley Regional Sewer Authority (LPVRS) Oaks Wastewater Treatment Facility to an annual average capacity of 14.25 million gallons per day to provide for existing and future needs in Collegeville Borough, Perkiomen Township, Skippack Township, Trappe Borough, Upper Providence Township and Lower Providence Township, until 2020.

The Plan provides for the construction of a parallel interceptor to the Perkiomen Creek interceptor.

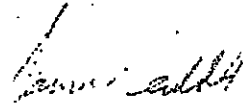
This approval is conditioned as follows:

1. The Lower Perkiomen Valley Regional Sewer Authority must obtain permits from the Department for the expansion and transfer, discharge, operation, and maintenance of the proposed wastewater treatment facility and conveyance system.
2. The Lower Perkiomen Valley Regional Sewer Authority must conduct a preliminary screening of the location of the proposed parallel interceptor and the expansion of the Oaks Wastewater Treatment Facility for the possible existence of rare, endangered or threatened species protected by Pennsylvania and Federal law using the Pennsylvania Natural Diversity Inventory. Documentation that any conflicts have been resolved must be included with the Permit application.

3. A cultural resource notice must be completed for the location of the proposed parallel interceptor and the expansion of the Oaks Wastewater Treatment Facility for possible historical or archeological resources. Documentation that the conflicts have been resolved must be included with the Permit application.

If you have any questions, please contact Clinton Cleaver of this office.

Sincerely,



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Regional Manager
Water Management

cc: Montgomery County Planning Commission
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