

Environment Committee

LVPC PROJECT REVIEW SUMMARY SHEET

Date: August 2016

TITLE	MUNICIPALITY	BRIEF STATEMENT	LVPC COMMENT
1. Municipal Waste Permit Renewal Application (Act 97 Review)	North Whitehall Township	Renewal of permit for existing municipal waste transfer station. No changes to facility, operation, volume or capacity are proposed. Facility permitted to handle 4,200 tons per day of waste. Applicant has Radiation Protection Plan and Contingency Plan for Emergency Procedures in place. Ten-year renewal cycle. Comments requested from North Whitehall, Lehigh County and Allentown Health Department---no comments received.	Renewal does not conflict with County Comprehensive Plan. PA Department of Environmental Protection performs technical review of application.

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<p>1. Lehigh County Authority (LCA) Preliminary Capital Plans (2017-2021)</p>	<p><u>Allentown Division</u> New Projects: <u>Water</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water Filtration Plant-Emergency Power-Crystal & Schantz Spring Pumps • Bulk Water Filling Station – Relocation <p><u>Sewer</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) Electrical Substation Replacements • WWTP Disinfection Upgrade • WWTP Dewatering Supervisory Control & Data Acquisition (SCADA) Upgrades <hr/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Administrative Order (EPA) Phase 1A WWTP Improvements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Includes construction of flow equalization basin or plant blending infrastructure (pending PADEP approval) 	<p>Improvements that will result in more efficient, safe and reliable sewer and water service are consistent with the County Comprehensive Plan.</p> <hr/> <p>Project located in area recommended for urban development in County Comprehensive Plan. Project is in response to Environmental Protection Agency Administrative Order requiring reduction of infiltration and inflow to reduce peak flows at City of Allentown Kline’s Island Treatment Plant. Any capacity for future growth provided by this project should only be provided for areas recommended for urban development in county plan.</p>
	<p><u>Suburban Division</u> New Projects: <u>Water</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well Abandonments – Out of service wells • Arcadia West Division Total Dissolved Solids Removal <p><u>Sewer</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spring Creek Force Main Air/Vacuum Release Valve Replacements • Western Weisenberg WWTP Mechanical Screen • Park Pump Station Force Main Rehabilitation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Force main pipe is aging: Inspection will determine need for and extent of project • Heidelberg Heights WWTP Rehabilitation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Repaint tanks, install new catwalk grating system over tanks • Heidelberg Heights WWTP Mechanical Screen • Lynn Township Infiltration & Inflow Investigation and Remediation Program 	<p>Improvements that will result in more efficient, safe and reliable sewer and water service are consistent with the County Comprehensive Plan.</p>

	<p>Significantly Modified Project: <u>Water</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pine Lakes Pumping Station Improvements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Modification includes new water storage tank and chlorine contact infrastructure 	<p>Improvements that will result in more efficient, safe and reliable sewer and water service are consistent with the County Comprehensive Plan.</p>
	<p>New Project: <u>Water</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Central Lehigh to Upper Milford Division Interconnection <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Water main extension from Central Lehigh Division to Upper Milford Division (UMD) and booster pump station to serve existing customers, proposed Kohler Tract customers and future customers. Existing UMD wells to be abandoned. 	<p>Interconnection of Central Lehigh Division to Upper Milford Division is consistent with County Comprehensive Plan—the extension and Kohler Tract are located in an area recommended for community water service. Service to anticipated future customers along the route of the extension is also consistent. Future extensions that would provide service in areas recommended for on-lot water supply would be inconsistent with county plan.</p>
	<p>New Project: <u>Water</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upper Milford Central Division Improvements (Buss Acres) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Includes replacement of aging pump stations and storage tanks - will allow for fire protection that is currently not provided. Alternative option is interconnection to nearby municipal system. 	<p>Improvements that will result in more efficient, safe and reliable sewer and water service are consistent with the County Comprehensive Plan. Buss Acres is located in area recommended for rural development in county plan. Alternative water line extension would run through rural area and would be inconsistent with county plan</p>
	<p>New Project: <u>Sewer</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Western Lehigh Interceptor – Trexlertown Area Interceptor Upgrade <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Approximately 10,600 linear feet of sewer interceptor installed parallel to existing interceptor to address infiltration/inflow, projected dry day overflows and allow for future growth. • Park Pump Station Force Main Extension <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Extend existing force main 1,000 linear feet to Kline’s Island WWTP to comply with EPA Administrative Order 	<p>Projects located in area recommended for urban development in County Comprehensive Plan. Projects are in response to Environmental Protection Agency Administrative Order requiring reduction of infiltration and inflow to reduce peak flows at City of Allentown Kline’s Island Treatment Plant. Any capacity for future growth provided by these projects should only be provided for areas recommended for urban development in county plan.</p>

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Comprehensive Planning

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PROJECT	MUNICIPALITY	BRIEF STATEMENT OF PURPOSE	LVPC COMMENT
1. Zoning Map Amendments	Forks Township	County Residential (CR) to Suburban Residential/Mobile Home (SR-1)	Consistent w/ County Comprehensive Plan, as long as Floodplain Management Ordinances are recognized in the floodplain areas.
2. Zoning Ordinance Amendment (Resubmission)	East Allen Township	Slight modifications to Warehousing, to require provisions that ensure vehicle queueing remains on the property	Consistent w/ County Comprehensive Plan.
3. Zoning Ordinance Amendments	Heidelberg Township	Establishing rules for wireless communications facilities	Generally matters of local concern, and the restriction of telecomm on the Blue Mountain Reservation district (BM) is consistent with the County Comprehensive Plan
4. SALDO	Bangor Borough	Complete revision and update to borough SALDO.	Generally consistent w/ County Comprehensive Plan; however, standards still encourage development in areas w/ steep slopes, and minimum building setbacks in areas suitable for infill may deter redevelopment. Also, mobile home park standards encourage private roads, unclear orientation of pads, and active recreation w/o restrictions for parking lots.
5. Zoning Map Amendments	Upper Saucon Township	Applying an Age Qualified Community Overlay Zone to the Locust Valley Golf Course	Consistent w/ County Comprehensive Plan.