



Lehigh Valley Planning Commission

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ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, November 17 at 11:00 am

AGENDA

DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC WE WILL NOT BE MEETING IN-PERSON. THE MEETING CAN BE ACCESSED AT <http://tiny.cc/EC1117> OR VIA PHONE 610-477-5793 Conf ID: 907 260 060#

Roll Call

Ordinance/Plan Reviews and Information for October 2020:

1. *ACTION ITEM*: Act 537 Review – Sewage Facilities Module for the Lehigh Valley Academy Regional Charter School in Bethlehem Township (see page 2)
2. *INFORMATION ITEM*: PA Climate Change Impacts Assessment Update April 2020
3. *INFORMATION ITEM*: PA Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative Update

Public Engagement and Participation

1. *INFORMATION ITEM*: Engagement and Participation in Light of COVID-19 Uncertainty (BV) (see page 3)

Next Environment Planning Committee Meeting:

Tuesday, December 15th at 11:00 am

TITLE	MUNICIPALITY	BRIEF STATEMENT	LVPC COMMENT
1. Sewage Facilities Planning Module – Lehigh Valley Academy Regional Charter School (Act 537 Review)	Bethlehem Township	Project is for a proposed 215,030 square foot educational facility for grades K-12 on approximately 58 acres. The development is proposed to connect to the public sewer system, with ultimate treatment at City of Bethlehem wastewater treatment plant.	Inconsistent with <i>FutureLV: The Regional Plan</i> Policy 3.3: Preserve farmland to maintain rural character and provide open space. LVPC land development review on June 12, 2020 found project generally inconsistent due to location primarily within a designated Farmland Preservation area in the General Land Use Plan and identification as a High Priority Preservation area in the Farmland Preservation Plan. Extension of public sewers will likely increase development pressure on nearby farmland within the Township and neighboring municipality.



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Public Engagement and Participation Items

DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, SEVERAL PUBLIC MEETINGS HAVE BEEN MOVED TO A VIRTUAL PLATFORM. FUTURE MEETINGS WILL BE REEVALUATED, AS THIS SITUATION EVOLVES.

1. Local Technical Assistance Program Classes:
 - Introduction to Traffic Studies – November 24th
 - Registration at: <https://gis.penndot.gov/ltap>
2. WorkshopLV: Freight – December 2nd @ 10 am
 - Via Web: <http://tiny.cc/WMM1216>
 - Via Phone: 610-477-5793, Conference ID: 477 600 83#
3. WorkshopLV: Multimodal – December 16th @ 3 pm
 - Via Web: <http://tiny.cc/WW1112>
 - Via Phone: 610-477-5793, Conference ID: 673 788 139#