

**PUBLIC NOTICE OF COMMENT PERIOD– PLAINFIELD TOWNSHIP
OFFICIAL ACT 537 SEWAGE FACILITIES PLAN UPDATE**

In accordance with requirements of the Pennsylvania Sewage Facilities Act No. 537, Plainfield Township is preparing to submit to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection an Official Act 537 Sewage Facilities Plan Update (Plan). This notice has been published to allow the general public to review and comment on the proposed Plan.

The Plan is designed to evaluate both short-term and long-term wastewater management for all areas located in the Township for the next twenty years. The Alternatives presented in the Plan consist of the following:

1. Two alternatives for sewer extensions. Alternative 1 included sewers along Sullivan Trail and surrounding areas and Alternative 2 included sewers along Sullivan Trail, Bangor Road, and surrounding areas. These are regional wastewater management alternatives by conveying wastewater from the South side of the Township into the Stockertown / Forks Township Sanitary Sewer System, which is ultimately treated at the Easton Area Joint Sewer Authority's (EAJSA) WWTP. These alternatives would eliminate individual on lot disposal systems and expand the existing wastewater collection system to serve more customers and provide sanitary sewer service to potential developers.
2. A Sewage Management Plan for continued use of on-lot disposal systems that are in the areas that (1) are not already sewered by public wastewater collection systems, (2) cannot be feasibly connected to the centralized collection systems and (3) meet the requirements as outlined in PA Code 25, Chapters 71 through 73 governing the use of on-lot disposals systems.

This Plan is designed to evaluate cost effective and implementable alternatives. The sewer extension alternatives were not financially feasible for the Township and will not be implemented. A Sewage Management Plan is the Selected Alternative for this Plan and does not impact and/or establish user rates. There is also no capital financing required to implement the Selected Alternative.

A 30-day review and comment period has been established commencing on February 5, 2021 to allow the general public to review and comment on the proposed Plan. The general public may review the proposed Plan at the Plainfield Township Office located at 6292 Sullivan Trail Nazareth, PA 18064. Please call 610-759-6944 to set up an appointment. The public may also review the Plan online at <https://plainfieldtownship.org/act-537-plan-update/>.

The general public may forward written comments to Mary Peters, Entech Engineering, Inc. at 239 South Mountain Boulevard, Suite 300, Mountaintop, PA 18707. All written comments must be received prior to the end of the 30-day public comment period. Entech Engineering will address any written comments prior to submitting the Plan to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection.

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