



Date: 2/16/2024

Name: VIRTUAL HOME BUYER
Address: 1349 LYNN AVE #191
BETHLEHEM, PA 18015

RE: Planning Module for New Land Development
Subdivision 711 WEST CHEW
MULTI-RESIDENTIAL
CITY OF ALLENTOWN County LEHIGH
DEP Code No: 2-39001322-3

Dear:

In response to your postcard application, enclosed are the applicable planning modules required for the proposed development. Please submit the completed planning module and supporting information to the municipality(ies) in which the project is located. The Department must receive 3 copies. Please answer all questions. DO NOT answer "N/A" or "Not Applicable". If you find a question does not apply, explain all reasons to support that answer.

A copy of the letter **MUST** be attached to the planning module when resubmitted through the municipality to the Department. This letter is to be used as a completion checklist and guide to completing the planning modules and does not supersede the rules and regulations found in Chapter 71. The municipality must submit the complete module package to the Department, (see end of letter for certification statement).

Effective December 15, 1995, Act 149 required the Department to assess planning module review fees. This fee is based on the type of development and total equivalent dwelling units proposed. The applicant will be billed upon Department approval or denial of the project.

Clean Water Program

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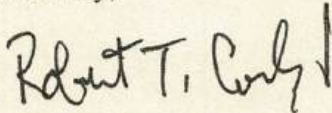
If you are applying for a planning module exemption for this project, the exemption was not granted for the following reason(s):

Materials Required	Municipal Checklist		DEP Completeness Review
X		Department cover / Checklist letter	
X		Transmittal letter, completed and signed by the Municipal Secretary	
X		Resolution of Adoption completed and signed by the Municipal Secretary and containing the municipal seal	
		Component 2 – Follow attached guidance	
X		Component 3 – Follow attached guidance	
		Component 3s – Follow attached guidance	
X		Component 4a – Municipal Planning Agency Review	
X		Component 4b – County Planning Agency Review	
		Potential Impact(s) has occurred based on your search of the PA Natural Diversity Inventory. These issues must be resolved with each agency before the Department's review of Planning Modules can occur.	
		Sewage management program as per 25 PA Code Subsection 71.72	
		Hydrogeologic Study – Analysis of interbasin transfer of water between a Special Protection watershed into a Non-Special Protection watershed.	
		Delaware River Basin Commission Notice of Applications Received (NAR) for projects with sewage flows exceeding 10,000 GPD.	
		Preliminary hydrogeology	
		Permeability testing, to be determined at site testing	
		Detailed hydrogeologic study	
		Socio-economic justification	
		If the project is located in a Special Protection Watershed, please submit an Antidegradation Analysis meeting the Requirement of Chapter 93.4(b), 93.4(a) and 93.4c(b)(2)	

In all cases, address the immediate and long range sewage disposal needs of the proposal and comply with 25 Pennsylvania Code, Chapter 71, Subchapter C relating to New Land Development Plan Revisions.

Please note that the Department will return the planning module package if an incomplete revision is submitted.

Sincerely,



Robert T. Corby, Jr.
Sewage Planning Specialist
Clean Water Program

CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

I certify that this submittal is complete and includes all requested items. Failure to submit a complete module package will result in return of package.

Municipal Address: _____

Municipal Telephone Number: _____

Signed: _____ Municipal Secretary

List below any individuals and address(es) that should be copied if the planning module is returned to the municipality (if address(es) not provided, no copy will be sent):



Lehigh County Authority

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(610) 398-2503 * FAX (610) 398-8413 * Email: service@lehighcountyauthority.org

LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

Date: April 7, 2025

To: Jennifer Gomez, AICP
City of Allentown
435 Hamilton Street
Allentown, PA 18101

Re: Firehouse Flats – 711 W Chew Street, City of Allentown
Allentown, Lehigh County, PA

<u>No. of Copies</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	4/7/25	Completed Sewer Planning Module
1	4/7/25	Plan Showing Path of Sewage to WWTP
1	4/7/25	Appendix A Cover Letter

☒ As Requested
☐ For Your Information
☐ For Your Comments
☐ For Action By You

☐ Approved
☐ Approved As Noted
☐ Revise And Resubmit
☐ For Your Files

Comments:

LCA has completed the Sewer Planning Module for the subject property. The hard copy will be sent to you in the mail. Please contact me if you have any questions.

From: Jacob Hunsicker
cc: Scott Novatnak, DEP (via email)
Robert Corby, DEP (via email)
David Petrik, COA (via email)
Brandon Jones, COA (via email)
Jesus Sadiua, COA (via email)
Phil DePoe, LCA (via email)
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Liesel Gross, LCA (via email)
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April 1, 2025

Jennifer Gomez, AICP
Planning Director
City of Allentown
435 Hamilton Street
Allentown, PA 18101

RE: Firehouse Flats – 711 W Chew Street, City of Allentown
Sewer Module - Chapter 94 Consistency Determination – Appendix A

Dear Mrs. Gomez,

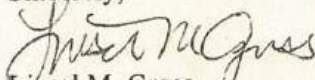
This letter and approval for the attached Sewage Facilities Planning Module is based on the current estimate of available wastewater capacity. This letter does not promise, guarantee or assure any future conveyance or treatment allocation without compliance with all applicable rules and regulations, payment of all necessary fees and availability of the respective allocation at that time.

In accordance with the Interim Act 537 Plan submitted by the Kline's Island Sewer System (KISS) municipalities to the Pa. Department of Environmental Protection and approved on June 25, 2021, an amount equal to the property or development's wastewater flow will be allocated from the Connection Management Plan at the time of approval of the Sewage Facilities Planning Module. This property or development's wastewater flow need, as represented in the attached Sewage Planning Module, is 952 gallons per day. Therefore, the Connection Management Plan balance will be adjusted as follows:

2020 Connection Management Plan Allocation (all numbers in gallons per day)	1,500,000
2021-2025 Connection Management Plan Allocation	3,117,129
Previously allocated from prior planning module submissions (since 1/17/20)	-2,076,751
This submission	-952
Remaining Allocation in KISS Connection Management Plan (as of 4/1/25)	2,539,426

Please contact me if you have any questions about this information.

Sincerely,


Liesel M. Gross
Chief Executive Officer

cc: Scott Novatnak, DEP
Robert Corby, DEP
Brandon Jones, COA
Jesus Sadiua, COA
David Petrik, COA
Jedediah Bortz, COA
Phil DePoe, LCA
Eury Vargas – Site Contact



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PROTECTION

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
BUREAU OF POINT AND NON-POINT SOURCE MANAGEMENT

Code No.

SEWAGE FACILITIES PLANNING MODULE

Component 3. Sewage Collection and Treatment Facilities

(Return completed module package to appropriate municipality)

DEP USE ONLY				
DEP CODE #	CLIENT ID #	SITE ID #	APS ID #	AUTH ID #

This planning module component is used to fulfill the planning requirements of Act 537 for the following types of projects: (1) a subdivision to be served by sewage collection, conveyance or treatment facilities, (2) a tap-in to an existing collection system with flows on a lot of 2 EDU's or more, or (3) the construction of, or modification to, wastewater collection, conveyance or treatment facilities that will require DEP to issue or modify a Clean Streams Law permit. Planning for any project that will require DEP to issue or modify a permit cannot be processed by a delegated agency. Delegated agencies must send their projects to DEP for final planning approval.

This component, along with any other documents specified in the cover letter, must be completed and submitted to the municipality with jurisdiction over the project site for review and approval. All required documentation must be attached for the Sewage Facilities Planning Module to be complete. Refer to the instructions for help in completing this component.

REVIEW FEES: Amendments to the Sewage Facilities Act established fees to be paid by the developer for review of planning modules for land development. These fees may vary depending on the approving agency for the project (DEP or delegated local agency). Please see section R and the instructions for more information on these fees.

NOTE: All projects must complete Sections A through I, and Sections O through R. Complete Sections J, K, L, M and/or N if applicable or marked ☒.

A. PROJECT INFORMATION (See Section A of instructions)

- Project Name Firehouse Flats
- Brief Project Description Conversion of small office building to 4 apartments

B. CLIENT (MUNICIPALITY) INFORMATION (See Section B of instructions)

Municipality Name	County	City	Boro	Twsp
City of Allentown	Lehigh	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Municipality Contact Individual - Last Name	First Name	MI	Suffix	Title
Bortz	Jedariah			
Additional Individual Last Name	First Name	MI	Suffix	Title
Municipality Mailing Address Line 1	Mailing Address Line 2			
621 S 10th Street				
Address Last Line -- City	State	ZIP+4		
Allentown	PA	18103		
Area Code + Phone + Ext.	FAX (optional)	Email (optional)		
610-437-7574 ext 2253		jedariah.bortz@allentownpa.gov		

C. SITE INFORMATION (See Section C of instructions)

Site (Land Development or Project) Name

Firehouse Flats

Site Location Line 1

711 W Chew Street

Site Location Line 2

Site Location Last Line -- City

Allentown

State

PA

ZIP+4

18102

Latitude

40.606480

Longitude

-75.474360

Detailed Written Directions to Site US22 to PA145 South on PA145 to Chew Street West on Chew Street to 711 W Chew Street

Description of Site 4 unit apartment building

Site Contact (Developer/Owner)

Last Name

Vargas

First Name

Eury

MI

Suffix

Phone

610-455-5567

Ext.

Site Contact Title

Owner

FAX

Site Contact Firm (If none, leave blank)

Vargas Bros And Company

Email

evmanagement@outlook.com

Mailing Address Line 1

1349 Lynn Avenue #191

Mailing Address Line 2

Mailing Address Last Line -- City

Bethlehem

State

PA

ZIP+4

18015

D. PROJECT CONSULTANT INFORMATION (See Section D of instructions)

Last Name

First Name

MI

Suffix

Title

Consulting Firm Name

Mailing Address Line 1

Mailing Address Line 2

Address Last Line -- City

State

ZIP+4

Country

Email

Area Code + Phone

Ext.

Area Code + FAX

E. AVAILABILITY OF DRINKING WATER SUPPLY

The project will be provided with drinking water from the following source: (Check appropriate box)

☐ Individual wells or cisterns.

☐ A proposed public water supply.

☒ An existing public water supply.

If existing public water supply is to be used, provide the name of the water company and attach documentation from the water company stating that it will serve the project.

Name of water company: Lehigh County Authority

F. PROJECT NARRATIVE (See Section F of instructions)

☒ A narrative has been prepared as described in Section F of the instructions and is attached.

The applicant may choose to include additional information beyond that required by Section F of the instructions.

G. PROPOSED WASTEWATER DISPOSAL FACILITIES (See Section G of instructions)

Check all boxes that apply, and provide information on collection, conveyance and treatment facilities and EDU's served. This information will be used to determine consistency with Chapter 93 (relating to wastewater treatment requirements).

1. COLLECTION SYSTEM

a. Check appropriate box concerning collection system

- ☐ New collection system ☐ Pump Station ☐ Force Main
☐ Grinder pump(s) ☐ Extension to existing collection system ☒ Expansion of existing facility

Clean Streams Law Permit Number Pipe Installed 1927 ; Permit Issued 1930 & Saturated

b. Answer questions below on collection system

Number of EDU's and proposed connections to be served by collection system. EDU's 4

Connections 1

Name of:

existing collection or conveyance system Public City of Allentown
owner Lehigh County Authority - Lessee ; City of Allentown

existing interceptor Jordan Creek
owner City of Allentown / LCA - Lessee

2. WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY

Check all boxes that apply, and provide information on collection, conveyance and treatment facilities and EDU's served. This information will be used to determine consistency with Chapter(s) 91 (relating to general provisions), 92 (relating to national Pollution Discharge Elimination System permitting, monitoring and compliance) and 93 (relating to water quality standards).

a. Check appropriate box and provide requested information concerning the treatment facility

- ☐ New facility ☒ Existing facility ☐ Upgrade of existing facility ☐ Expansion of existing facility

Name of existing facility Kline's Island Wastewater Treatment Plant

NPDES Permit Number for existing facility 28000

Clean Streams Law Permit Number 3915403

Location of discharge point for a new facility. Latitude _____ Longitude _____

b. The following certification statement must be completed and signed by the wastewater treatment facility permittee or their representative.

As an authorized representative of the permittee, I confirm that the Kline's Island Wastewater Treatment Plant

(Name from above) sewage treatment facilities can accept sewage flows from this project without adversely affecting the facility's ability to achieve all applicable technology and water quality based effluent limits (see Section I) and conditions contained in the NPDES permit identified above.

Name of Permittee Agency, Authority, Municipality City of Allentown, LCA - Agent

Name of Responsible Agent Liesel M. Gross

Agent Signature Liesel M. Gross Date 4/1/2025

(Also see Section I. 4.)

G. PROPOSED WASTEWATER DISPOSAL FACILITIES (Continued)

3. PLOT PLAN

The following information is to be submitted on a plot plan of the proposed subdivision.

- | | |
|---|--|
| a. Existing and proposed buildings. | j. Any designated recreational or open space area. |
| b. Lot lines and lot sizes. | k. Wetlands - from National Wetland Inventory Mapping and USGS Hydric Soils Mapping. |
| c. Adjacent lots. | l. Flood plains or Flood prone areas, floodways, (Federal Flood Insurance Mapping) |
| d. Remainder of tract. | m. Prime Agricultural Land. |
| e. Existing and proposed sewerage facilities. Plot location of discharge point, land application field, spray field, COLDS, or LVCOLDS if a new facility is proposed. | n. Any other facilities (pipelines, power lines, etc.) |
| f. Show tap-in or extension to the point of connection to existing collection system (if applicable). | o. Orientation to north. |
| g. Existing and proposed water supplies and surface water (wells, springs, ponds, streams, etc.) | p. Locations of all site testing activities (soil profile test pits, slope measurements, permeability test sites, background sampling, etc. (if applicable). |
| h. Existing and proposed rightsofway. | q. Soils types and boundaries when a land based system is proposed. |
| i. Existing and proposed buildings, streets, roadways, access roads, etc. | r. Topographic lines with elevations when a land based system is proposed |

4. WETLAND PROTECTION

YES NO

- a. ☐ ☒ Are there wetlands in the project area? If yes, ensure these areas appear on the plot plan as shown in the mapping or through on-site delineation.
- b. ☐ ☒ Are there any construction activities (encroachments, or obstructions) proposed in, along, or through the wetlands? If yes, identify any proposed encroachments on wetlands and identify whether a General Permit or a full encroachment permit will be required. If a full permit is required, address time and cost impacts on the project. Note that wetland encroachments should be avoided where feasible. Also note that a feasible alternative **MUST BE SELECTED** to an identified encroachment on an exceptional value wetland as defined in Chapter 105. Identify any project impacts on streams classified as HQ or EV and address impacts of the permitting requirements of said encroachments on the project.

5. PRIME AGRICULTURAL LAND PROTECTION

YES NO

- ☐ ☒ Will the project involve the disturbance of prime agricultural lands?
If yes, coordinate with local officials to resolve any conflicts with the local prime agricultural land protection program. The project must be consistent with such municipal programs before the sewage facilities planning module package may be submitted to DEP.
If no, prime agricultural land protection is not a factor to this project.
- ☐ ☒ Have prime agricultural land protection issues been settled?

6. HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT

YES NO

- ☐ ☒ Sufficient documentation is attached to confirm that this project is consistent with DEP Technical Guidance 012-0700-001 *Implementation of the PA State History Code* (available online at the DEP website at www.dep.state.pa.us, select "subject" then select "technical guidance"). As a minimum this includes copies of the completed Cultural Resources Notice (CRN), a return receipt for its submission to the PHMC and the PHMC review letter.

7. PROTECTION OF RARE, ENDANGERED OR THREATENED SPECIES

Check one:

- ☒ The "Pennsylvania Natural Diversity Inventory (PNDI) Project Environmental Review Receipt" resulting from my search of the PNDI database and all supporting documentation from jurisdictional agencies (when necessary) is/are attached.
- ☐ A completed "Pennsylvania Natural Diversity Inventory (PNDI) Project Planning & Environmental Review Form," (PNDI Form) available at www.naturalheritage.state.pa.us, and all required supporting documentation is attached. I request DEP staff to complete the required PNDI search for my project. I realize that my planning module will be considered incomplete upon submission to the Department and that the DEP review will not begin, and that processing of my planning module will be delayed, until a "PNDI Project Environmental Review Receipt" and all supporting documentation from jurisdictional agencies (when necessary) is/are received by DEP.

Applicant or Consultant Initials _____

H. ALTERNATIVE SEWAGE FACILITIES ANALYSIS (See Section H of instructions)

- ☒ An alternative sewage facilities analysis has been prepared as described in Section H of the attached instructions and is attached to this component.
- The applicant may choose to include additional information beyond that required by Section H of the attached instructions.

I. COMPLIANCE WITH WATER QUALITY STANDARDS AND EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS (See Section I of instructions) (Check and complete all that apply.)

1. Waters designated for Special Protection

- ☐ The proposed project will result in a new or increased discharge into special protection waters as identified in Title 25, Pennsylvania Code, Chapter 93. The Social or Economic Justification (SEJ) required by Section 93.4c. is attached.

2. Pennsylvania Waters Designated As Impaired

- ☐ The proposed project will result in a new or increased discharge of a pollutant into waters that DEP has identified as being impaired by that pollutant. A pre-planning meeting was held with the appropriate DEP regional office staff to discuss water quality based discharge limitations.

3. Interstate and International Waters

- ☐ The proposed project will result in a new or increased discharge into interstate or international waters. A pre-planning meeting was held with the appropriate DEP regional office staff to discuss effluent limitations necessary to meet the requirements of the interstate or international compact.

4. Tributaries To The Chesapeake Bay

- ☐ The proposed project result in a new or increased discharge of sewage into a tributary to the Chesapeake Bay. This proposal for a new sewage treatment facility or new flows to an existing facility includes total nitrogen and total phosphorus in the following amounts: _____ pounds of TN per year, and _____ pounds of TP per year. Based on the process design and effluent limits, the total nitrogen treatment capacity of the wastewater treatment facility is _____ pounds per year and the total phosphorus capacity is _____ pounds per year as determined by the wastewater treatment facility permittee. The permittee has determined that the additional TN and TP to be contributed by this project (as modified by credits and/or offsets to be provided) will not cause the discharge to exceed the annual total mass limits for these parameters. Documentation of compliance with nutrient allocations is attached.

Name of Permittee Agency, Authority, Municipality _____

Initials of Responsible Agent (See Section G 2.b) _____

See *Special Instructions* (Form 3800-FM-BPNPSM0353-1) for additional information on Chesapeake Bay watershed requirements.

☐ **J. CHAPTER 94 CONSISTENCY DETERMINATION** (See Section J of instructions)

Projects that propose the use of existing municipal collection, conveyance or wastewater treatment facilities, or the construction of collection and conveyance facilities to be served by existing municipal wastewater treatment facilities must be consistent with the requirements of Title 25, Chapter 94 (relating to Municipal Wasteload Management). If not previously included in Section F, include a general map showing the path of the sewage to the treatment facility. If more than one municipality or authority will be affected by the project, please obtain the information required in this section for each. Additional sheets may be attached for this purpose.

1. Project Flows 952 gpd
2. Total Sewage Flows to Facilities (pathway from point of origin through treatment plant)

When providing "treatment facilities" sewage flows, use Annual Average Daily Flow for "average" and Maximum Monthly Average Daily Flow for "peak" in all cases. For "peak flows" in "collection" and "conveyance" facilities, indicate whether these flows are "peak hourly flow" or "peak instantaneous flow" and how this figure was derived (i.e., metered, measured, estimated, etc.).

- a. Enter average and peak sewage flows for each proposed or existing facility as designed or permitted.
- b. Enter the average and peak sewage flows for the most restrictive sections of the existing sewage facilities.
- c. Enter the average and peak sewage flows, projected for 5 years (2 years for pump stations) through the most restrictive sections of the existing sewage facilities. Include existing, proposed (this project) and future project (other approved projects) flows.

To complete the table, refer to the instructions, Section J.

	a. Design and/or Permitted Capacity (gpd) MGD		b. Present Flows (gpd) MGD		c. Projected Flows in 5 years (gpd) MGD (2 years for P.S.)	
	Average	Peak	Average	Peak	Average	Peak
Collection	0.41	1.64	0.29	1.05	0.30	1.07
Conveyance	58	81	30	78	31	80
Treatment	40	40	32.7	40	33.4	42

3. Collection and Conveyance Facilities

(1) Peak Hourly Flow - Estimated

The questions below are to be answered by the sewer authority, municipality, or agency responsible for completing the Chapter 94 report for the collection and conveyance facilities. These questions should be answered in coordination with the latest Chapter 94 annual report and the above table. The individual(s) signing below must be legally authorized to make representation for the organization.

YES NO

- a. ☐ YES ☒ NO This project proposes sewer extensions or tap-ins. Will these actions create a hydraulic overload within five years on any existing collection or conveyance facilities that are part of the system?

If yes, this sewage facilities planning module will not be accepted for review by the municipality, delegated local agency and/or DEP until all inconsistencies with Chapter 94 are resolved or unless there is an approved Corrective Action Plan (CAP) granting an allocation for this project. A letter granting allocations to this project under the CAP must be attached to the module package.

If no, a representative of the sewer authority, municipality, or agency responsible for completing the Chapter 94 report for the collection and conveyance facilities must sign below to indicate that the collection and conveyance facilities have adequate capacity and are able to provide service to the proposed development in accordance with both §71.53(d)(3) and Chapter 94 requirements and that this proposal will not affect that status.

- b. Collection System

Name of Agency, Authority, Municipality City of Allentown - LCA Agent

Name of Responsible Agent Liesel M. Gross

Agent Signature [Signature] Date 4/1/2025

☐ J. CHAPTER 94 CONSISTENCY DETERMINATION (See Section J of instructions)

- c. Conveyance System

Name of Agency, Authority, Municipality City of Allentown, LCA Agent

Name of Responsible Agent Liegel M. Gross

Agent Signature Liegel M. Gross

Date 4/1/2025

4. Treatment Facility

The questions below are to be answered by a representative of the facility permittee in coordination with the information in the table and the latest Chapter 94 report. The individual signing below must be legally authorized to make representation for the organization.

YES NO

- a. ☒ ☐ This project proposes the use of an existing wastewater treatment plant for the disposal of sewage. Will this action create a hydraulic or organic overload within 5 years at that facility?

If yes, this planning module for sewage facilities will not be reviewed by the municipality, delegated local agency and/or DEP until this inconsistency with Chapter 94 is resolved or unless there is an approved CAP granting an allocation for this project. A letter granting allocations to this project under the CAP must be attached to the planning module.

If no, the treatment facility permittee must sign below to indicate that this facility has adequate treatment capacity and is able to provide wastewater treatment services for the proposed development in accordance with both §71.53(d)(3) and Chapter 94 requirements and that this proposal will not impact that status.

- b. Name of Agency, Authority, Municipality City of Allentown, LCA-Agent

Name of Responsible Agent Liegel M. Gross

Agent Signature Liegel M. Gross

Date 4/1/2025

☐ K. TREATMENT AND DISPOSAL OPTIONS (See Section K of instructions)

This section is for land development projects that propose construction of wastewater treatment facilities. Please note that, since these projects require permits issued by DEP, these projects may NOT receive final planning approval from a delegated local agency. Delegated local agencies must send these projects to DEP for final planning approval.

Check the appropriate box indicating the selected treatment and disposal option.

- ☐ 1. Spray irrigation (other than individual residential spray systems (IRSIS)) or other land application is proposed, and the information requested in Section K.1. of the planning module instructions are attached.
- ☐ 2. Recycle and reuse is proposed and the information requested in Section K-2 of the planning module instructions is attached.
- ☐ 3. A discharge to a dry stream channel is proposed, and the information requested in Section K.3. of the planning module instructions are attached.
- ☐ 4. A discharge to a perennial surface water body is proposed, and the information requested in Section K.4. of the planning module instructions are attached.

☐ L. PERMEABILITY TESTING (See Section L of instructions)

- ☐ The information required in Section L of the instructions is attached.

☐ M. PRELIMINARY HYDROGEOLOGIC STUDY (See Section M of instructions)

- ☐ The information required in Section M of the instructions is attached.

☐ **N. DETAILED HYDROGEOLOGIC STUDY** (See Section N of instructions)

- ☐ The detailed hydrogeologic information required in Section N. of the instructions is attached.

O. SEWAGE MANAGEMENT (See Section O of instructions)

(1-3 for completion by the developer(project sponser), 4-5 for completion by the non-municipal facility agent and 6 for completion by the municipality)

Yes No

1. ☐ ☒ Is connection to, or construction of, a DEP permitted, non-municipal sewage facility or a local agency permitted, community onlot sewage facility proposed.

If Yes, respond to the following questions, attach the supporting analysis, and an evaluation of the options available to assure long-term proper operation and maintenance of the proposed non-municipal facilities. If No, skip the remainder of Section O.

2. Project Flows 952 gpd

Yes No

3. ☐ ☒ Is the use of nutrient credits or offsets a part of this project?

If yes, attach a letter of intent to purchase the necessary credits and describe the assurance that these credits and offsets will be available for the remaining design life of the non-municipal sewage facility;

(For completion by non-municipal facility agent)

4. Collection and Conveyance Facilities

The questions below are to be answered by the organization/individual responsible for the non-municipal collection and conveyance facilities. The individual(s) signing below must be legally authorized to make representation for the organization.

Yes No

- a. ☐ ☐ If this project proposes sewer extensions or tap-ins, will these actions create a hydraulic overload on any existing collection or conveyance facilities that are part of the system?

If yes, this sewage facilities planning module will not be accepted for review by the municipality, delegated local agency and/or DEP until this issue is resolved.

If no, a representative of the organization responsible for the collection and conveyance facilities must sign below to indicate that the collection and conveyance facilities have adequate capacity and are able to provide service to the proposed development in accordance with Chapter 71 §71.53(d)(3) and that this proposal will not affect that status.

- b. Collection System

Name of Responsible Organization _____

Name of Responsible Agent _____

Agent Signature _____

Date _____

- c. Conveyance System

Name of Responsible Organization _____

Name of Responsible Agent _____

Agent Signature _____

Date _____

5. Treatment Facility

The questions below are to be answered by a representative of the facility permittee. The individual signing below must be legally authorized to make representation for the organization.

- Yes No
- a. ☐ ☐ If this project proposes the use of an existing non-municipal wastewater treatment plant for the disposal of sewage, will this action create a hydraulic or organic overload at that facility?
- If yes, this planning module for sewage facilities will not be reviewed by the municipality, delegated local agency and/or DEP until this issue is resolved.
- If no, the treatment facility permittee must sign below to indicate that this facility has adequate treatment capacity and is able to provide wastewater treatment services for the proposed development in accordance with §71.53(d)(3) and that this proposal will not impact that status.
- b. Name of Facility _____
- Name of Responsible Agent _____
- Agent Signature _____
- Date _____

(For completion by the municipality)

6. ☐ The **SELECTED OPTION** necessary to assure long-term proper operation and maintenance of the proposed non-municipal facilities is clearly identified with documentation attached in the planning module package.

P. PUBLIC NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT (See Section P of instructions)

This section must be completed to determine if the applicant will be required to publish facts about the project in a newspaper of general circulation to provide a chance for the general public to comment on proposed new land development projects. This notice may be provided by the applicant or the applicant's agent, the municipality or the local agency by publication in a newspaper of general circulation within the municipality affected. Where an applicant or an applicant's agent provides the required notice for publication, the applicant or applicant's agent shall notify the municipality or local agency and the municipality and local agency will be relieved of the obligation to publish. The required content of the publication notice is found in Section P of the instructions.

To complete this section, each of the following questions must be answered with a "yes" or "no". Newspaper publication is required if any of the following are answered "yes".

Yes No

1. ☐ ☒ Does the project propose the construction of a sewage treatment facility ?
2. ☐ ☒ Will the project change the flow at an existing sewage treatment facility by more than 50,000 gallons per day?
3. ☐ ☒ Will the project result in a public expenditure for the sewage facilities portion of the project in excess of \$100,000?
4. ☐ ☒ Will the project lead to a major modification of the existing municipal administrative organizations within the municipal government?
5. ☐ ☒ Will the project require the establishment of *new* municipal administrative organizations within the municipal government?
6. ☐ ☒ Will the project result in a subdivision of 50 lots or more? (onlot sewage disposal only)
7. ☐ ☒ Does the project involve a major change in established growth projections?
8. ☐ ☒ Does the project involve a different land use pattern than that established in the municipality's Official Sewage Plan?

P. PUBLIC NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT cont'd. (See Section P of instructions)

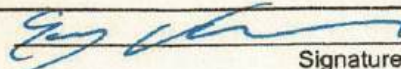
9. ☐ ☒ Does the project involve the use of large volume onlot sewage disposal systems (Flow > 10,000 gpd)?
10. ☐ ☒ Does the project require resolution of a conflict between the proposed alternative and consistency requirements contained in §71.21(a)(5)(i), (ii), (iii)?
11. ☐ ☒ Will sewage facilities discharge into high quality or exceptional value waters?
- ☐ Attached is a copy of:
- ☐ the public notice,
 - ☐ all comments received as a result of the notice,
 - ☐ the municipal response to these comments.
- ☐ No comments were received. A copy of the public notice is attached.

Q. FALSE SWEARING STATEMENT (See Section Q of instructions)

I verify that the statements made in this component are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. I understand that false statements in this component are made subject to the penalties of 18 PA C.S.A. §4904 relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

Eury Vargas

Name (Print)



Signature

Owner

7/1/2024

Date

Title

1349 Lynn Avenue #191, Bethlehem, PA 18015

6104555567

Address

Telephone Number

R. REVIEW FEE (See Section R of instructions)

The Sewage Facilities Act establishes a fee for the DEP planning module review. DEP will calculate the review fee for the project and invoice the project sponsor **OR** the project sponsor may attach a self-calculated fee payment to the planning module prior to submission of the planning package to DEP. (Since the fee and fee collection procedures may vary if a "delegated local agency" is conducting the review, the project sponsor should contact the "delegated local agency" to determine these details.) Check the appropriate box.

- ☐ I request DEP calculate the review fee for my project and send me an invoice for the correct amount. I understand DEP's review of my project will not begin until DEP receives the correct review fee from me for the project.
- ☒ I have calculated the review fee for my project using the formula found below and the review fee guidance in the instructions. I have attached a check or money order in the amount of \$_____ payable to "Commonwealth of PA, DEP". Include DEP code number on check. I understand DEP will not begin review of my project unless it receives the fee and determines the fee is correct. If the fee is incorrect, DEP will return my check or money order, send me an invoice for the correct amount. I understand DEP review will NOT begin until I have submitted the correct fee.
- ☐ I request to be exempt from the DEP planning module review fee because this planning module creates **only** one new lot and is the **only** lot subdivided from a parcel of land as that land existed on December 14, 1995. I realize that subdivision of a second lot from this parcel of land shall disqualify me from this review fee exemption. I am furnishing the following deed reference information in support of my fee exemption.

County Recorder of Deeds for _____ County, Pennsylvania

Deed Volume _____ Book Number _____

Page Number _____ Date Recorded _____

R. REVIEW FEE (continued)

Formula:

1. For a new collection system (with or without a Clean Streams Law Permit), a collection system extension, or individual tap-ins to an existing collection system use this formula.

4 Lots (or EDUs) X \$50.00 = \$ 200

The fee is based upon:

- The number of lots created or number of EDUs whichever is higher.
- For community sewer system projects, one EDU is equal to a sewage flow of 400 gallons per day.

2. For a surface or subsurface discharge system, use the appropriate one of these formulae.

- A. A new surface discharge greater than 2000 gpd will use a flat fee:

\$ 1,500 per submittal (non-municipal)
\$ 500 per submittal (municipal)

- B. An increase in an existing surface discharge will use:

_____ Lots (or EDUs) X \$35.00 = \$ _____

to a maximum of \$ 1,500 per submittal (non-municipal) or \$ 500 per submittal (municipal)

The fee is based upon:

- The number of lots created or number of EDUs whichever is higher.
- For community sewage system projects one EDU is equal to a sewage flow of 400 gallons per day.
- For non-single family residential projects, EDUs are calculated using projected population figures

- C. A sub-surface discharge system that requires a permit under The Clean Streams Law will use a flat fee:

\$ 1,500 per submittal (non-municipal)
\$ 500 per submittal (municipal)

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PERMIT
RELATIVE TO
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DIST 2474

ALLENTOWN, LEHIGH COUNTY,
PENNSYLVANIA



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LEHIGH COUNTY, S.S.

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in and for said County, in Wine Deed Book

Volume No. 120 Page 690

Witness my hand and seal for office this 18th

day of Oct Anno Domini, 1930

David W. Hagen Recorder

SEWAGE FACILITIES PLANNING MODULE

COMPONENT 4A - MUNICIPAL PLANNING AGENCY REVIEW

Note to Project Sponsor: To expedite the review of your proposal, one copy of your completed planning module package and one copy of this *Planning Agency Review Component* should be sent to the local municipal planning agency for their comments.

SECTION A. PROJECT NAME (See Section A of instructions)

Project Name

Firehouse Flats


SECTION B. REVIEW SCHEDULE (See Section B of instructions)

1. Date plan received by municipal planning agency 5/12/20252. Date review completed by agency 5/14/2025

SECTION C. AGENCY REVIEW (See Section C of instructions)

- | Yes | No | |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 1. Is there a municipal comprehensive plan adopted under the Municipalities Planning Code (53 P.S. 10101, <i>et seq.</i>)? |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 2. Is this proposal consistent with the comprehensive plan for land use?
If no, describe the inconsistencies _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 3. Is this proposal consistent with the use, development, and protection of water resources?
If no, describe the inconsistencies _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 4. Is this proposal consistent with municipal land use planning relative to Prime Agricultural Land Preservation? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 5. Does this project propose encroachments, obstructions, or dams that will affect wetlands?
If yes, describe impacts _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 6. Will any known historical or archaeological resources be impacted by this project?
If yes, describe impacts <u>No known impact (refer to coordination letter with PMHC).</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 7. Will any known endangered or threatened species of plant or animal be impacted by this project?
If yes, describe impacts <u>No known impact (see PNDI search results, enclosed herein).</u> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 8. Is there a municipal zoning ordinance? |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 9. Is this proposal consistent with the ordinance?
If no, describe the inconsistencies _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 10. Does the proposal require a change or variance to an existing comprehensive plan or zoning ordinance? |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 11. Have all applicable zoning approvals been obtained? |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 12. Is there a municipal subdivision and land development ordinance? |

SECTION C. AGENCY REVIEW (continued)

Yes	No	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	13. Is this proposal consistent with the ordinance? If no, describe the inconsistencies _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	14. Is this plan consistent with the municipal Official Sewage Facilities Plan? If no, describe the inconsistencies _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	15. Are there any wastewater disposal needs in the area adjacent to this proposal that should be considered by the municipality? If yes, describe _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	16. Has a waiver of the sewage facilities planning requirements been requested for the residual tract of this subdivision? (not applicable)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	If yes, is the proposed waiver consistent with applicable ordinances? If no, describe the inconsistencies _____
17. Name, title and signature of planning agency staff member completing this section: Name: <u>Jesus Sadiua</u> Title: <u>City Planner</u> Signature: <u></u> Date: <u>May 14, 2025</u> Name of Municipal Planning Agency: <u>City of Allentown</u> Address <u>435 Hamilton Street, Allentown, PA 18101</u> Telephone Number: <u>610-437-7613 x2865</u>		

SECTION D. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (See Section D of instructions)

This component does not limit municipal planning agencies from making additional comments concerning the relevancy of the proposed plan to other plans or ordinances. If additional comments are needed, attach additional sheets.

The planning agency must complete this component within 60 days.

This component and any additional comments are to be returned to the applicant.



Lehigh Valley Planning Commission

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July 8, 2025

Mr. Eury Vargas
Vargas Bros and Company
1349 Lynn Avenue, #191
Bethlehem, PA 18015

**Re: Act 537 Review - Sewage Facilities Planning Module
Firehouse Flats
City of Allentown, Lehigh County**

Dear Mr. Vargas:

The Lehigh Valley Planning Commission (LVPC) reviewed the above-referenced planning module according to the requirements of Act 537, the Pennsylvania Sewage Facilities Act. We offer the following comments.

This sewage facilities planning module is intended for the proposed conversion of an existing office building into four residential apartment units located at 711 West Chew Street. The four residential apartment units are proposed to be served by public sewage disposal. The applicant is requesting a wastewater flow increase to 952 gallons per day for the proposed project. The building is currently served by public sewers, with ultimate treatment at the Kline's Island wastewater treatment plant. This proposal aligns with the *FutureLV: The Regional Plan* actions to 'match development intensity with sustainable infrastructure capacity' (of Policy 1.1) and 'promote development in areas with public sewer and water capacity' (of Policy 3.2).

Enclosed please find an executed Module Component 4b. Please call me if you have any questions regarding this review.

Sincerely,

Corinne Ruggiero
Environmental Planner

Enclosure

cc: Jesse Sadiua, Chief Planner, City of Allentown
Brandon Jones, Planner, City of Allentown
Jedadiah Bortz, Associate Engineer 2, City of Allentown
Jeffrey Mondulick, PA Department of Environmental Protection



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
BUREAU OF CLEAN WATER

DEP Code #:

SEWAGE FACILITIES PLANNING MODULE
COMPONENT 4B - COUNTY PLANNING AGENCY REVIEW

(or Planning Agency with Areawide Jurisdiction)

Note to Project Sponsor: To expedite the review of your proposal, one copy of your completed planning package and one copy of this *Planning Agency Review Component* should be sent to the county planning agency or planning agency with areawide jurisdiction for their comments.

SECTION A. PROJECT NAME (See Section A of instructions)

Project Name

Firehouse Flats

SECTION B. REVIEW SCHEDULE (See Section B of instructions)

1. Date plan received by county planning agency ---
2. Date plan received by planning agency with areawide jurisdiction May 14, 2025
Agency name Lehigh Valley Planning Commission
3. Date review completed by agency July 8, 2025

SECTION C. AGENCY REVIEW (See Section C of instructions)

- | Yes | No | |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 1. Is there a county or areawide comprehensive plan adopted under the Municipalities Planning Code (53 P.S. 10101 <i>et seq.</i>)? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 2. Is this proposal consistent with the comprehensive plan for land use? <i>Area designated for Development in Future LV General Land Use Plan.</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 3. Does this proposal meet the goals and objectives of the plan? <i>Generally meets goals and objectives.</i>
If no, describe goals and objectives that are not met _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 4. Is this proposal consistent with the use, development, and protection of water resources?
If no, describe inconsistency _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 5. Is this proposal consistent with the county or areawide comprehensive land use planning relative to Prime Agricultural Land Preservation?
If no, describe inconsistencies: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 6. Does this project propose encroachments, obstructions, or dams that will affect wetlands?
If yes, describe impact _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 7. Will any known historical or archeological resources be impacted by this project? <i>Not included with submission</i>
If yes, describe impacts --- |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 8. Will any known endangered or threatened species of plant or animal be impacted by the development project? <i>See PNDI results.</i>
If yes, describe impacts _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 9. Is there a county or areawide zoning ordinance? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 10. Does this proposal meet the zoning requirements of the ordinance? <i>N/A</i>
If no, describe inconsistencies --- |

SECTION C. AGENCY REVIEW (continued)

Yes	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	11. Have all applicable zoning approvals been obtained? <u>N/A</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	12. Is there a county or areawide subdivision and land development ordinance? <u>Not applicable to the City of Allentown.</u>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	13. Does this proposal meet the requirements of the ordinance? <u>N/A</u> If no, describe which requirements are not met ---
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	14. Is this proposal consistent with the municipal Official Sewage Facilities Plan? <u>See municipal interpretation.</u> If no, describe inconsistency ---
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	15. Are there any wastewater disposal needs in the area adjacent to this proposal that should be considered by the municipality? If yes, describe ---
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	16. Has a waiver of the sewage facilities planning requirements been requested for the residual tract of this subdivision? <u>N/A</u>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	If yes, is the proposed waiver consistent with applicable ordinances. If no, describe the inconsistencies ---
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	17. Does the county have a stormwater management plan as required by the Stormwater Management Act?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	If yes, will this project plan require the implementation of storm water management measures?
18. Name, Title and signature of person completing this section:		
Name: <u>Corinne Ruggiero</u>		
Title: <u>Environmental Planner</u>		
Signature: <u>Corinne Ruggiero</u>		
Date: <u>July 8, 2025</u>		
Name of County or Areawide Planning Agency: <u>Lehigh Valley Planning Commission</u>		
Address: <u>615 Waterfront Drive, Suite 201, Allentown, PA 18102</u>		
Telephone Number: <u>610-264-4544</u>		

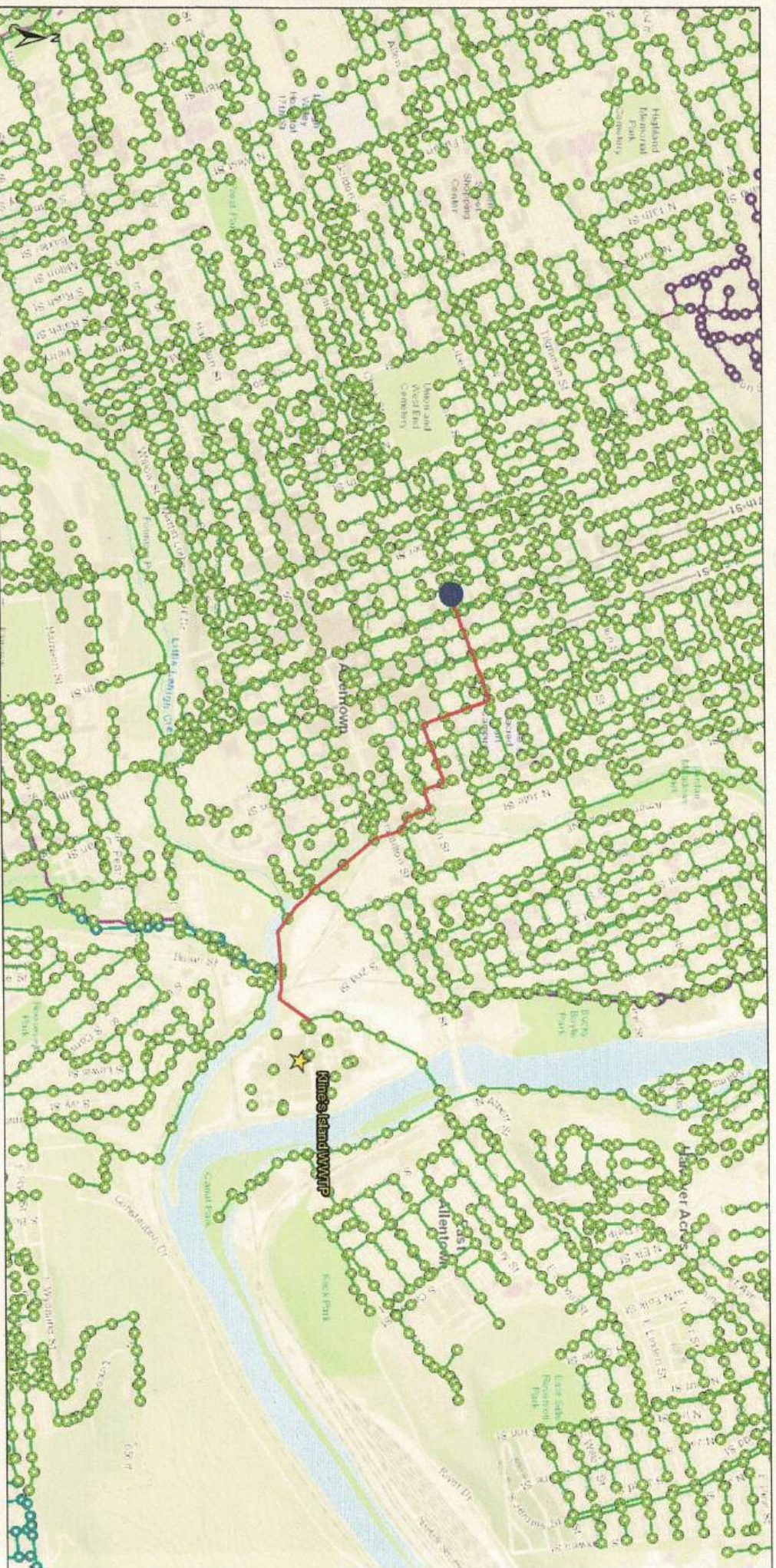
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LCA Flow Map - 711 W Chew St



3/31/2025, 8:21:41 AM

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- Allentown Customer
- COA Manholes
- CWSA Manholes
- Salisbury Manholes
- South Whitehall Manholes
- COA Sanitary Mains
- CWSA Sanitary Mains
- Salisbury Sanitary Mains
- South Whitehall Sanitary Mains
- Suburban Force Mains

Sources: Esri, HERE, Garmin, Intermap, In
GEOCO, USGS, FAO, NPS, NRCAN, Geobase,
Ordnance Survey, Esri Japan, METI, Esri China (Hong Kong),
OpenStreetMap contributors, and the GIS User Community



Pennsylvania State Historic Preservation Office
PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION

April 24, 2025

Sent Via PA-SHARE

RE: ER Project # 2025PR01900.001, Firehouse Flats, Department of Environmental Protection, Allentown City, Lehigh County

Dear Submitter,

Thank you for submitting information concerning the above referenced project. The Pennsylvania State Historic Preservation Office (PA SHPO) reviews projects in accordance with state and federal laws. Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, and the implementing regulations (36 CFR Part 800) of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, is the primary federal legislation. The Environmental Rights amendment, Article 1, Section 27 of the Pennsylvania Constitution and the Pennsylvania History Code, 37 Pa. Cons. Stat. Section 500 et seq. (1988) is the primary state legislation. These laws include consideration of the project's potential effects on both historic and archaeological resources.

Above Ground Resources

No Above Ground Concerns - Environmental Review - No Adverse Effect - Above Ground

Based on the information received and available within our files, in our opinion, the proposed project will have No Adverse Effect on the following historic properties: Allentown City Historic District (Resource # 2004RE01929). Should the scope of the project change and/or should you be made aware of historic property concerns, you will need to reinitiate consultation with our office using PA-SHARE.

For questions concerning above ground resources, please contact John Gardosik at jgardosik@pa.gov.

Archaeological Resources

No Archaeological Concerns - Environmental Review - No Effect - Archaeological - No Ground Disturbance

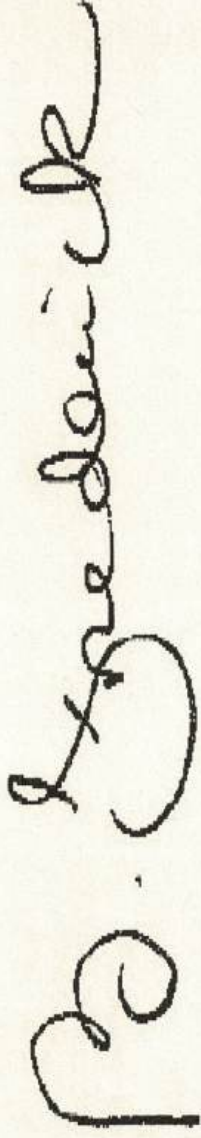
Based on the information received and available within our files, the proposed project will have No Effect on archaeological resources. If project plans should change to include ground-disturbing activities and/or you should be made aware of historic property concerns, you will need to reinitiate consultation with our office using PA-SHARE.

For questions concerning archaeological resources, please contact John Gardosik at jgardosik@pa.gov.

Sincerely,

ER Project # 2025PR01900.001

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. Frederick". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "B" and a long, sweeping underline.

Barbara Frederick

Environmental Review Division Manager

1. PROJECT INFORMATION

Project Name: **Firehouse Flats**
Date of Review: **7/1/2024 06:40:20 PM**
Project Category: **Development, Other**
Project Area: **0.06 acres**
County(s): **Lehigh**
Township/Municipality(s): **ALLENTOWN**
ZIP Code:
Quadrangle Name(s): **ALLENTOWN EAST**
Watersheds HUC 8: **Lehigh**
Watersheds HUC 12: **Lower Jordan Creek**
Decimal Degrees: **40.606469, -75.474337**
Degrees Minutes Seconds: **40° 36' 23.2866" N, 75° 28' 27.6130" W**

This is a draft receipt for information only. It has not been submitted to jurisdictional agencies for review.



2. SEARCH RESULTS

Agency	Results	Response
PA Game Commission	No Known Impact	No Further Review Required
PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources	No Known Impact	No Further Review Required
PA Fish and Boat Commission	No Known Impact	No Further Review Required
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	No Known Impact	No Further Review Required

As summarized above, Pennsylvania Natural Diversity Inventory (PNDI) records indicate no known impacts to threatened and endangered species and/or special concern species and resources within the project area. Therefore, based on the information you provided, no further coordination is required with the jurisdictional agencies. This response does not reflect potential agency concerns regarding impacts to other ecological resources, such as wetlands.

Firehouse Flats





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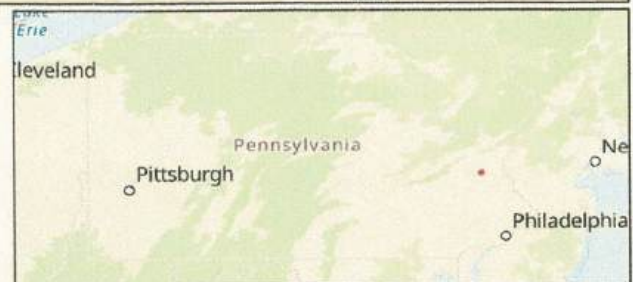


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RESPONSE TO QUESTION(S) ASKED

Q1: The proposed project is in the range of the Indiana bat. Describe how the project will affect bat habitat (forests, woodlots and trees) and indicate what measures will be taken in consideration of this. Round acreages up to the nearest acre (e.g., 0.2 acres = 1 acre).

Your answer is: No forests, woodlots or trees will be affected by the project.

Q2: Is tree removal, tree cutting or forest clearing necessary to implement all aspects of this project?

Your answer is: No

Q3: Is tree removal, tree cutting or forest clearing of 40 acres or more necessary to implement all aspects of this project?

Your answer is: No

Q4: How many acres of woodland, forest, forested fencerows and trees will be cut, cleared, removed, disturbed or flooded (inundated) as a result of carrying out all aspects or phases of this project? [Round acreages UP to the nearest acre (e.g., 0.2 acres = 1 acre).]

Your answer is: zero acres

3. AGENCY COMMENTS

Regardless of whether a DEP permit is necessary for this proposed project, any potential impacts to threatened and endangered species and/or special concern species and resources must be resolved with the appropriate jurisdictional agency. In some cases, a permit or authorization from the jurisdictional agency may be needed if adverse impacts to these species and habitats cannot be avoided.

These agency determinations and responses are **valid for two years** (from the date of the review), and are based on the project information that was provided, including the exact project location; the project type, description, and features; and any responses to questions that were generated during this search. If any of the following change: 1) project location, 2) project size or configuration, 3) project type, or 4) responses to the questions that were asked during the online review, the results of this review are not valid, and the review must be searched again via the PNDI Environmental Review Tool and resubmitted to the jurisdictional agencies. The PNDI tool is a primary screening tool, and a desktop review may reveal more or fewer impacts than what is listed on this PNDI receipt. The jurisdictional agencies **strongly advise against** conducting surveys for the species listed on the receipt prior to consultation with the agencies.

PA Game Commission

RESPONSE:

No Impact is anticipated to threatened and endangered species and/or special concern species and resources.

PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

RESPONSE:

No Impact is anticipated to threatened and endangered species and/or special concern species and resources.

PA Fish and Boat Commission

RESPONSE:

No Impact is anticipated to threatened and endangered species and/or special concern species and resources.

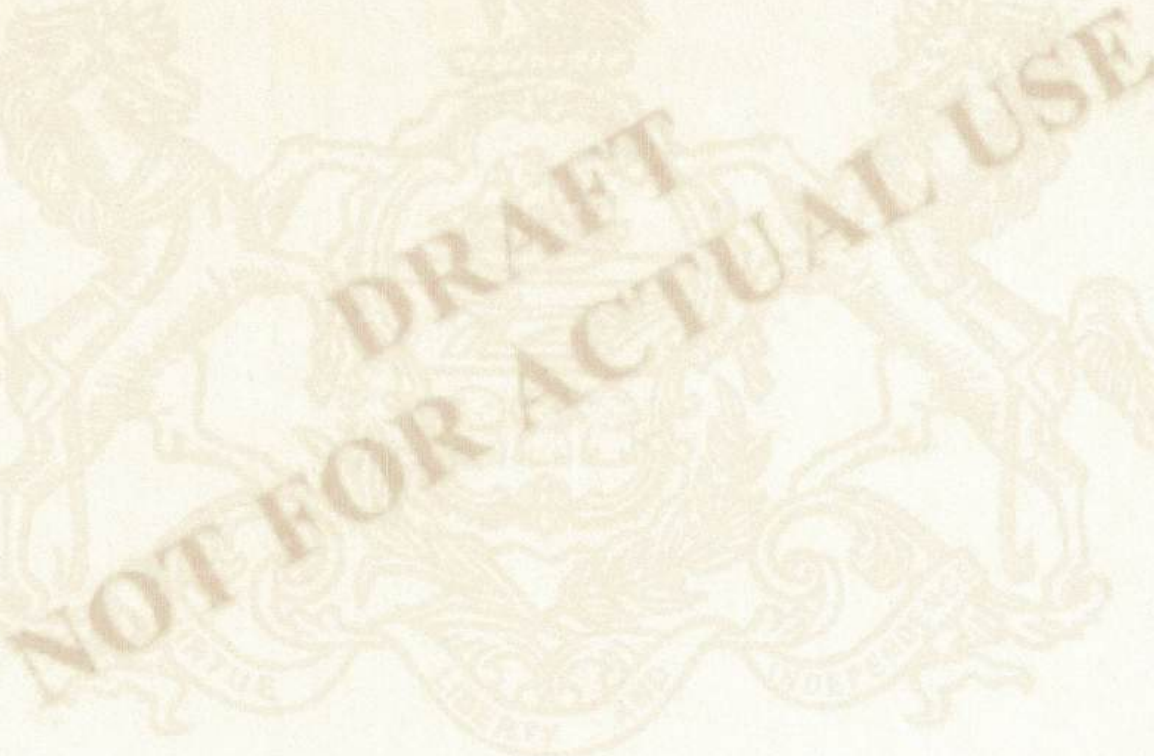
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

RESPONSE:

No impacts to **federally** listed or proposed species are anticipated. Therefore, no further consultation/coordination under the Endangered Species Act (87 Stat. 884, as amended; 16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq. is required. Because no take of federally listed species is anticipated, none is authorized. This response does not reflect potential Fish and Wildlife Service concerns under the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act or other authorities.

4. DEP INFORMATION

The Pa Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) requires that a signed copy of this receipt, along with any required documentation from jurisdictional agencies concerning resolution of potential impacts, be submitted with applications for permits requiring PNDI review. Two review options are available to permit applicants for handling PNDI coordination in conjunction with DEP's permit review process involving either T&E Species or species of special concern. Under sequential review, the permit applicant performs a PNDI screening and completes all coordination with the appropriate jurisdictional agencies prior to submitting the permit application. The applicant will include with its application, both a PNDI receipt and/or a clearance letter from the jurisdictional agency if the PNDI Receipt shows a Potential Impact to a species or the applicant chooses to obtain letters directly from the jurisdictional agencies. Under concurrent review, DEP, where feasible, will allow technical review of the permit to occur concurrently with the T&E species consultation with the jurisdictional agency. The applicant must still supply a copy of the PNDI Receipt with its permit application. The PNDI Receipt should also be submitted to the appropriate agency according to directions on the PNDI Receipt. The applicant and the jurisdictional agency will work together to resolve the potential impact(s). See the DEP PNDI policy at <https://conservationexplorer.dcnr.pa.gov/content/resources>.



5. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The PNDI environmental review website is a preliminary screening tool. There are often delays in updating species status classifications. Because the proposed status represents the best available information regarding the conservation status of the species, state jurisdictional agency staff give the proposed statuses at least the same consideration as the current legal status. If surveys or further information reveal that a threatened and endangered and/or special concern species and resources exist in your project area, contact the appropriate jurisdictional agency/agencies immediately to identify and resolve any impacts.

For a list of species known to occur in the county where your project is located, please see the species lists by county found on the PA Natural Heritage Program (PNHP) home page (www.naturalheritage.state.pa.us). Also note that the PNDI Environmental Review Tool only contains information about species occurrences that have actually been reported to the PNHP.



PROJECT NARRATIVE

The Firehouse Flats development is a conversion of one of the original Firehouses of the City of Allentown into a residential building with 4 dwellings. The most recent prior use of this building was as offices for a not for profit organization.

The project will be served by public water and sewer system. Tapping Fees to Lehigh County Authority, the local water/sewer authority, have been paid to accommodate the increased flow as compared to prior use. In determining the tapping fees LCA made estimated GPD calculations. The water is expected to generate 510.4 GPD as calculated by and the sewer 561.6 GPD. The correlating number of EDUs is 1.276.

ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS

The chosen disposal method is connection to existing public sewer and wastewater treatment facilities. This property is indicated in the municipality's Official Sewage Facilities Plan as being located within a public sewer service area. Since this property and the surrounding properties are developed and serviced by public sewer, this is the ultimate disposal method. There is neither enough land to consider on-lot disposal, nor any nearby streams to consider stream discharge. The municipal signatures provided in Section J of this Sewage Facilities Planning Module certify that the proposed sewage flows generated by this project will not create a hydraulic overload within 5 years on any existing collection or conveyance facilities that are part of the downstream system, nor will they create a hydraulic or organic overload within 5 years at the existing wastewater treatment plant. Connection to existing public sewage treatment facilities is readily accessible since the existing development at the Project Site is currently connected to the existing public sewer system.