



August 5, 2020

Re: PFAS Private Well Contamination
Connection to Public Water

Dear Resident,

According to our records, your property is served by a private well that has been sampled by the Navy and has been found to contain levels of PFOS and/or PFOA below the current EPA lifetime health advisory level of 70 parts per trillion (ppt). As such, your home is not currently eligible for a military funded connection to public water.

A new grant program established under Pennsylvania Act 101 of 2019, as originally introduced by State Representative Todd Stephens and enacted with bipartisan support, provides dedicated state funding to remediate PFAS contamination including eliminating it from drinking water. The amount and timing of the availability of funds is based on a number of factors and is still being determined at this time. The Horsham Water and Sewer Authority (HWSA) has applied to the Military Installation Remediation and Infrastructure Authority (MIRIA), which was formed under the Act, for grant funding to offset the cost of connecting residences with private drinking water wells which are impacted by the presence of PFAS substances related to a former military installation.

The purpose of this letter is to gauge your interest in a public water connection, should grant funding be available and awarded. If awarded, it is anticipated that the grant funding would cover the entire cost of connecting your home to the public supply. This includes the construction of a water main if one does not currently exist, a service connection to the main, plumbing costs for connection of the home to the new service, restoration, permanent abandonment of your existing well, and all associated fees such as tapping fees and meter fees. Though the grant covers the initial connection costs, ongoing user fees would be borne by the property owner. Connections would be arranged in order based on the availability of an existing water main and the concentration of PFAS in each well, starting with those wells containing the highest levels.

As you consider your response, please be aware that the public water supply in Horsham Township meets the "Horsham standard" of non-detect for PFAS (< 5 ppt). This is the most stringent PFAS standard known to exist in the country.

We ask that you kindly contact us by phone at 215-672-8011 or via email at contact@horshamwater-sewer.com if you are interested in a possible connection. Please include your property address in your response.

We look forward to the opportunity to serve you.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tina M O'Rourke".

Tina M. O'Rourke
Business Manager

cc: Board Members
Todd Stephens, Chairman, Military Installation Remediation and Infrastructure Authority
William T. Walker, Horsham Township Manager, MIRIA Executive Director