

Prioritization Exercise

My Recommendation Prioritization	Final Working Group Recommendation Prioritization

Green Infrastructure/Alternative Energy

Diversion of waste material from waste streams

Keep in mind trash collection efforts and composting efforts (providing bins?)

Review current ordinances (code-enforcements - make sure we are enforcing codes across the board)

Review current ordinances and guidelines for alternative energy

Recommendation: Evaluating aging septic systems/ mitigation

Key Goals:				Key Actions:			
Build our infrastructure to avoid negative environmental impacts upon septic failures	GIS inventory of permitted septic systems within the Township	Clearly identifying aging systems and their locations, and educate the public on proper maintenance efforts regardless of age	Explore requiring an inspection and documentation given to the township of every home sold with a septic system.	Utilize permit process to help inventory septic systems	Inspections of systems	Survey of septic system users to determine where the problem areas are	GIS plotting by age
Encourage sewer expansion based on identified growth areas in the land use plan							
Stakeholders				Funding Sources			
Who Leads?	Public Works staff	Township GIS capabilities	Keystone Engineering	Be on lookout for grant opportunities	Difficult due to private ownership	Intern budgeting	Survey budgeting
Who Partners?		Septic Pumping Companies	Developers			PA Infrastructure -- Community Septic Management Plan, programs for homeowners to repair or replace their on-lot septic system	
Implementation Timeline (near-term, mid-term, or long-term):							
No current areas of note with failures		Mid to Long					
Measures of Success:							
GIS Inventory		Balance between updating existing septic and new growth -- there are limits on both sides		Better public education, perhaps by using newsletters, other outreach methods			

Recommendation: Act 537 (Sewer Facilities) and Act 167 (Stormwater Management Plan)	
Key Goals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understanding our systems capabilities and how much room we have left (currently 300k-400k left) (1700 houses) Regional 537 Plan, understand how this affects SWT 	Key Actions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Act 537 Feasibility Study -- Last update in 1990s Explore cooperation with adjacent municipalities to conduct more accurate projections Consider incentives for developers to fund system expansions
Stakeholders	
Who Leads? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DEP Lehigh County Authority Developers 	Funding Sources <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is there allocation available?
Who Partners?	
Implementation Timeline (near-term, mid-term, or long-term):	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mid-term (2-5) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aligns with where do want to grow Would need to budget and conduct studies
Measures of Success:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do we have capacity for projected appropriate growth? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Decision on whether or not we need to update 537 Plan -- so the success measure will be the plan approval

Recommendation: Explore benefits of a Capital Improvements Plan	
<p>Key Goals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Currently exists for sewer systems and water operations Understand relations to roadway improvements and MS4 systems Explore equipment capabilities 	<p>Key Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage developers to provide for new road/infrastructure Goal 9 -- 2009 Plan
Stakeholders	Funding Sources
<p>Who Leads?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> UGI Broadband/Internet/IS Private entities PennDOT <p>Who Partners?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Private entities/developers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PennDOT - State Water/Sewer grant opportunities Equipment Grants Developers
Implementation Timeline (near-term, mid-term, or long-term):	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Near-term -- should be a continuing item 	
Measures of Success:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Annual reviews GIS to increase public understanding of these projects and their timelines 	

Recommendation: Evaluate Growth Areas to ensure adherence to future land use plan	
Key Goals:	Key Actions: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="background-color: yellow; padding: 10px; text-align: center;">Re-evaluate 2009 Growth Areas</div> <div style="background-color: yellow; padding: 10px; text-align: center;">Evaluate area North of Huckleberry Ridge</div> </div>
Stakeholders	Funding Sources
Who Leads? Who Partners?	
Implementation Timeline (near-term, mid-term, or long-term): <div style="background-color: yellow; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">Near-term</div>	
Measures of Success:	

Recommendation: Ensure development follows utility capability	
Key Goals: <div style="text-align: center; background-color: yellow; padding: 10px; width: 100px; margin: 0 auto;"> Utilize new land use plan </div>	Key Actions: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 10px;"> <div style="background-color: yellow; padding: 10px; width: 80px; text-align: center;"> Re-evaluate growth areas </div> <div style="background-color: yellow; padding: 10px; width: 80px; text-align: center;"> Huckleberry Ridge </div> </div>
Stakeholders	Funding Sources
Who Leads? Who Partners?	
Implementation Timeline (near-term, mid-term, or long-term):	
<div style="background-color: yellow; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">Near-term</div>	
Measures of Success:	

Recommendation: Inventory of high-speed internet/5G and its expansion	
<p>Key Goals:</p> <p>Inventory Efforts</p> <p>Working with providers to better understand service capabilities and expansion opportunities</p> <p>Evaluating return on investment for service expansions</p> <p>Understand what Township can offer under State/Federal Law and Guidelines</p> <p>Keep zoning and land development ordinances in compliance with legal offerings and partnerships with service providers</p>	<p>Key Actions:</p> <p>Is there a permit process for the Township in a legal sense? (Currently Electric permit)</p> <p>Ensure shorter review periods in order to keep up with technology advancements</p> <p>Examine state and federal law to see if there are incentives for providing these extensions</p> <p>Inventory service options</p>
Stakeholders	Funding Sources
<p>Who Leads?</p> <p>Service Providers</p> <p>Who Partners?</p> <p>Cable and Fiber-Optic options</p>	<p>State and Federal Programs?</p>
Implementation Timeline (near-term, mid-term, or long-term):	
<p>Near-term (Explosion of teleworking, cable-cutting, etc.) Need to make sure we can provide service and options</p>	
Measures of Success:	
<p>Seeing 5G service widely available</p>	

Summary

Working Group Members:

Spokesperson/Presenter for Working Group Concluding Meeting:

Highest Priority Recommendation:

