

RESOLUTION NO. RS-2021-26

**AMENDMENT TO THE
2009 UPDATED WATER AND SEWERAGE PLAN
FOR
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND
(WS-21-001)**

RECITALS

Section 9-503 of the Environment Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland and COMAR 26.03.01.02 requires the governing body of each county to have a water and sewerage plan that deals with water supply systems, sewerage systems, solid waste disposal systems, solid waste acceptance facilities, and the systematic collection of solid waste, including litter, in order to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the county.

On May 15, 1975, the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland (the "Board") adopted a Water and Sewerage Plan (the "Plan") and the Plan was comprehensively updated in 1994 (the "1994 Plan").

By Resolution No. WS-10-001, adopted and effective on November 9, 2010, the 1994 Plan was updated to include all text and map amendments to date and also included all updated material provided by other service-providing agencies and municipalities in Washington County, as well as information updated by the Washington County Planning Department, Washington County Health Department, and the Division of Environmental Management (the "2009 Updated Plan").

An application was made by the Town of Hancock, Maryland (the "Town") to amend the 2009 Updated Plan by including language concerning a proposed expansion of the Town wastewater treatment facility.

A public information meeting was held by the Washington County Planning Commission on July 19, 2021, for the purpose of taking public comment on the proposed amendment. Subsequently, a recommendation was made by the Planning Commission to approve the proposed amendment.

A public hearing was held on September 21, 2021, by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland for the purpose of hearing testimony on the proposed amendment.

Notice was given to the principal elected official of each municipal corporation affected by this amendment at least 14 days prior to the public hearing, pursuant to Section 9-503(d)(1)(ii).

It is the opinion of the Planning Commission and the Board that the proposed amendment is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan for the County.

The Board has considered the recommendation of the Planning Commission, the Planning staff reports, and any comments received at the public hearing before the Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland, that the 2009 Updated Plan is hereby amended as follows:

(J) HANCOCK

The Town of Hancock owns and operates a wastewater collection and treatment system which serves a population of about 1,926 people mostly located within the Town limits. The Town has a designated growth area according to the 2002 Comprehensive Plan for Washington County. Treatment is afforded by 12.8-acre aerated lagoon from which the treated effluent is discharged to the Tonoloway Creek. The lagoon has a maximum design capacity of 0.38 mgd and has an average daily flow of 0.24.

The Town is proposing to upgrade the wastewater treatment plant (WwTP) to a Sequencing Batch Reactor (SBR) system with sludge dewatering. The purpose of the upgrade is to supply Enhanced Nutrient Removal processes that will abate existing problems with the lagoon system. In addition to the upgrades for ENR the Town is proposing to expand the capacity of the treatment facility from a design capacity of 0.38 mgd to 0.53 mgd to provide service to new and existing commercial and industrial development along Warfordsburg Road. Sludge generated at this WwTP will be hauled away. Effluent will be discharged into the Tonoloway Creek.

NOTES FOR TABLE NO. 11

- (1) RESPONSIBLE AGENCY, MUNICIPALITY, OR DEVELOPER – Responsibilities may include project initiation and management but not necessarily financing.
- (2) SEWER SERVICE AREA – That area served, or potentially served, by a system of sanitary sewers connected to a treatment plant, or, in a very large system, sub-areas as delineated by the County.
- (3) GRANTS ELIGIBLE – Dollar amounts indicate funds for which the project may be eligible from sources shown in parentheses. Source abbreviations represent agencies and programs as follows:
EPA – Environmental Protection Agency

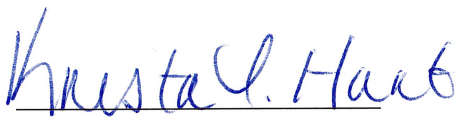
MDE – Department of the Environment
 EDA – Economic Development Administration
 UDAG – Urban Development Action Grant
 CDBG – Community Development Block Grant
 FmHA – Farmers Home Administration
 ARC – Appalachian Regional Commission
 HUD – Housing and Urban Development Grant
 SRL – State Revolving Loan Fund
USDA – United States Department of Agriculture

The local cost for any project may be assumed to be the total cost estimate less any amount shown for grants eligible.

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IMMEDIATE FIVE AND TEN YEAR PRIORITIES FOR SEWERAGE DEVELOPMENT							
Responsible Agency, Municipality or Developer (1)	Service Area (2)	Project Description	Total Cost Estimate	Grants Eligible (4)	Completion Schedule		
					Planning	Design	Construction
Town of Hancock	Hancock	Sewerage Treatment Plant	\$2,900,000	N/A	Contingent upon Funding		
		Upgrade and expansion of WwTP	\$20,000,000	MDE/USDA	2019	2021	2023

Adopted and effective this 21st day of September, 2021.

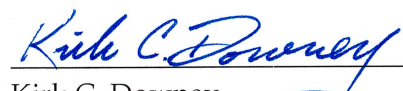
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