

COLLEGE TOWNSHIP WATER AUTHORITY

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Hazardous Sites Cleanup Program
Department of Environmental Protection
208 West Third Street, Suite 101
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RE: Public Comment re: PFAS Investigation
CO&A with Penn State University re: State College Airport

Consistent with a discussion and motion at the regularly scheduled meeting of the College Township Water Authority (CTWA) on January 8, 2025, the CTWA hereby provides four (4) comments for consideration relative to the Consent Order & Agreement noted above:

College Township Water Authority acknowledges the historic use of PFAS in our area and its presence in biosolids, wastewater discharges, and aqueous fire-fighting films as used at the State College airport, among other points of environmental introduction. The College Township Water Authority has the following requests of PA DEP and Penn State University for inclusion in the Consent Order and Agreement:

1. As part of the Remedial Investigation Work Plan to be undertaken by Penn State under the direction and supervision of PA DEP, College Township Water Authority requests that the plan include provisions to identify the extents of the airport plume's impact, notably whether additional properties or wells beyond those already identified have been directly impacted by the airport plume.
2. Should the Remedial Investigation Report identify additional impacted properties from the airport plume at levels exceeding the state drinking water standard for PFOA, PFOS, PFBS, PFNA, or PFHxS, such properties should be incorporated into a general feasibility study, similar to the HSCA/GTAC7 study of May 2023.

Should the feasibility study identify impacted properties within the College Township Water Authority service area, the study should evaluate funding options for potential public water service in lieu of long-term POETs management.

3. College Township Water Authority requests an opportunity to provide comments on draft documents developed during the remediation effort, including, but not limited to:
 - a. Remedial Investigation Work Plan
 - b. Remedial Investigation Report
 - c. Cleanup Plan and Risk Assessment and/or Final Report

4. PA DEP and Penn State University notify the College Township Water Authority of any additional qualifying private drinking water supplies impacted by the airport plume pursuant to 4.i of the Consent Order.

For any questions relative to the above, please feel free to contact me via email at abrumbaugh@collegetownship.org or College Township Assistant Engineer Jere Northridge at jnorthridge@collegetownship.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Adam T. Brumbaugh", with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Adam T. Brumbaugh
Manager

CC: Email to RA-EPNCECComments@pa.gov