



# WESTERN WESTMORELAND MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania

## FACT SHEET

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### CONTACT INFORMATION

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- Meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month at 6:00 P.M., in the Authority conference room.
- The November meeting is held on the Monday prior to the third Thursday of November.

### FACILITIES

- 4.4 MGD Wastewater Treatment Plant, with a wet weather design flow of 7.25 MGD (15 MGD Peak)
- Pump Station, Headworks, and Screening Facility (Brush Creek System), 45 MGD Capacity
- 7.0 Million Gallon Equalization Tank
- Two permitted sanitary sewer overflow (SSO) regulators
- Interceptor Sewer:

Flows to Brush Creek Waste Water Treatment Plant,  
Serving 16,348 equivalent dwelling units (EDUs):

|                            |                 |
|----------------------------|-----------------|
| Brush Creek Interceptor    | 3.80 miles      |
| Bushy Run Interceptor      | 1.66 miles      |
| Paintertown Interceptor    | 1.88 miles      |
| Manor Interceptor          | <u>.45 mile</u> |
| Total – Brush Creek System | 7.79 miles      |

### CURRENT CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS RELATED TO CONSENT ORDER AND AGREEMENT (COA) WITH PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (PaDEP):

- Phase I: Pump Station, Headworks, and Screening Facility, and 7.0 Million Gallon Equalization Tank; Systems on-line on January 15, 2019
- Phase II: Replacement and upsizing (from 21" to 36", 24" to 36", from 27" to 42", from 30" to 48", and from 33" to 48") of Brush Creek Interceptor; Estimated completion date: September 2019
- Phase III:
  - Replacement and upsizing (from 18" to 30") of Bushy Run Interceptor
  - Replacement and upsizing (from 8" to 15", from 10" to 15", and from 12" to 18") of Paintertown Interceptor
  - Replacement and upsizing (from 12" to 18") of Manor Interceptor:
 Construction scheduled to begin May 2021.

### COMMUNITIES SERVED/CUSTOMER BASE

|                             | EDUs       | Percent   |
|-----------------------------|------------|-----------|
| • North Huntingdon Township | 6,230      | 39%       |
| • Penn Township             | 5,319      | 33%       |
| • Irwin Borough             | 2,426      | 15%       |
| • Manor Borough             | 1,417      | 9%        |
| • North Irwin Borough       | 396        | 2%        |
| • Hempfield Township        | <u>330</u> | <u>2%</u> |
| Total                       | 16,118     | 100%      |

### DATE OF INCORPORATION

February 29, 1972

### MANAGEMENT

- General Manager: Kevin P. Fisher
- Assistant Manager: Stanley A. Gorski, Jr.
- Finance Director and Assistant Secretary-Treasurer: Johanna Wtorkowski
- Administrative Assistant: Karen R. Steiner
- Number of Board Representatives:
  - North Huntingdon Township: 3
  - Penn Township: 2
  - Irwin Borough: 2
  - Manor Borough: 1
  - North Irwin Borough: 1
  - Hempfield Township: 1
  - Total: 10

Board members are appointed by their respective communities to serve a five-year term. These are voluntary positions; no salary is collected by any board member.

### EMPLOYEES

- Union Employees: 8 over 1 shift, daylight, Monday through Friday.
- Plant inspections are conducted by employees on Saturday and Sunday.

### RIGHT-TO-KNOW LAW RECORDS OFFICER

- Johanna Wtorkowski

### CONSULTANTS

- Solicitor: Campfield & Ferraro
- Engineer: Wade Trim, Inc.
- Auditor: Opst & Associates, LLC
- Trustee: US Bank
- Financial Advisor: CIM Investment Management, Inc.
- Bond Counsel: Clark Hill

## CURRENT REGULATORY OBLIGATIONS

- NPDES Discharge Permit-Issued 06/01/2017
- PaDEP Consent Order & Agreement/Corrective Action Plan/Tap Allocation Plan-Brush Creek System, Amended on April 24, 2014 and May 3, 2018

## CURRENT LOANS AND BOND ISSUES

- PENNVEST Low Interest Loan: \$16,231,029
  - Supplemental funding for the 2016 COA-Phase I Project, associated with equalization tank and interceptor upgrades.
- PENNVEST Low Interest Loan: \$14,177,020
  - Financing of 100% of Construction Costs for 2017 COA-Phase II Project, associated with interceptor upgrades.
- PENNVEST Low Interest Loan: \$3,100,280
  - Financing of 61% of Construction Costs for 2021 COA-Phase III Project, associated with interceptor upgrades.
- 2015 Sewer Revenue Bonds Series A: \$8,215,000
  - Refinancing of the 2010 Series A & B Sewer Revenue Bonds, to restructure debt repayment schedule for COA Project, resulting in a present value savings in the amount of \$511,194
- 2015 Sewer Revenue Bonds Series B: \$9,570,000
  - Supplemental funding for the COA-Phase I Project
- 2016 Sewer Revenue Bonds Series: \$7,585,000
  - Supplemental funding for the COA-Phase I Project

## RATE HISTORY

- The Authority is funded through collection of sewer service charges, currently at \$30.35 per month, per Equivalent Dwelling Unit (EDU), for the regular system. One EDU is equivalent to a usage rate of 50,000 gallons of water per year.
- Sewer rates are scheduled to increase to \$31.85 per month, per EDU, effective January 1, 2022.

### History of Sewer Rates:

| <u>Cost/EDU/Month</u> | <u>Effective Date</u> |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| • \$ 6.00/EDU         | 02/29/1972            |
| • \$ 8.00/EDU         | 04/01/1981            |
| • \$10.00/EDU         | 08/01/1997            |
| • \$14.00/EDU         | 01/01/2002            |
| • \$16.65/EDU         | 01/01/2006            |
| • \$20.35/EDU         | 04/01/2010            |
| • \$25.35/EDU         | 01/01/2013            |
| • \$27.85/EDU         | 01/01/2016            |
| • \$30.35/EDU         | 10/01/2016            |
| • \$31.85/EDU         | 01/01/2022            |

## CAPACITY FEES:

The Authority established a capacity tapping fee on October 20, 2005. The current capacity tapping fee is \$1,500.00 per EDU.

- One residential dwelling unit is equal to one EDU.
- Commercial EDUs are based on water consumption, with 50,000 annual gallons of water consumption being equal to one EDU.

# Process Flow Diagram

