



TO ALL WATER CUSTOMERS OF THE MONT ALTO MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

UPDATES ON NEW WATER SOURCE

January 2025

Curt Finney (Chairman of MAMA) and Dave Cunningham (Engineer -Keller Engineering) met with DCNR to discuss the “sighting” of 2 new test wells within Michaux State Forrest. Engineer Cunningham informed Mr. Jim Casselberry (Hydrogeologist) of DCNR’s permission to proceed with the 2 test Wells in the first week of February. DEP & DCNR will work in conjunction with Mr. Casselberry on site. The EMERGENCY permit that MAMA has been operating under expires January 31st. MAMA will request another extension but is unaware if it will be granted. DEP & DCNR requested from MAMA a feasibility study as well as a long-term monitoring plan. This was submitted on December 20th for acceptance. To date, no response has been received. If approved, the next requirement is submitting a Public Water Supply permit for the proposed fix by August 1st, 2025. It is highly unlikely that a new well will be ready for permitting by August.

Solicitor Trinh contacted Guilford Water Authority Solicitor again for a temporary emergency connection. The Guilford Water Authority Board will meet and discuss the temporary emergency interconnection. One of the requirements of the emergency permit is a long-term monitoring plan for MAMA water sources. The installation of the fourth monitoring system was completed in December 2024. The monitoring system was placed at Black Andies Run. Mr. Finney, Mason Fogelsonger (water operator), Solicitor Trinh and Dave Cunningham met with Representative Reichard and his district director Josh Peters to discuss the ongoing issues that MAMA continues to face and asked for their support. Political assistance was requested for MAMA with the future emergency permitting.

MAMA staff reached out to Penn State University about an interconnection with their water system. No response has been received. MAMA is required to keep water restrictions in effect if it is operating under an emergency permit.

Mont Alto Municipal Authority
Curt Finney – Chairman MAMA