

YOE BOROUGH

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2014-05

**Municipal Election to “Opt-In” to or “Opt-Out” of
the
*York County Regional Chesapeake Bay Pollutant Reduction Plan***

WHEREAS, the Clean Water Act required the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to set limits on the amount of pollutants, known as Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs), that can enter the Chesapeake Bay; and

WHEREAS, EPA required Bay states, including Pennsylvania, to develop Watershed Implementation Plans (WIPs) that will lead to the restoration of the Chesapeake Bay and clean local streams by removing an allocated pollutant load; and

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania has developed a Chesapeake Bay WIP, which sets forth a comprehensive plan for the Commonwealth to achieve the required pollutant reductions mandated by the TMDL, which includes urban stormwater management strategies, as well as draft pollution reduction targets for each county in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed; and

WHEREAS, York County is one of the counties located in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed; and

WHEREAS, municipalities within the York County urbanized area are required to apply for an MS4 permit to reduce pollutants through a stormwater management program, or request a permit waiver; and

WHEREAS, Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit holders in York County are required to develop a Chesapeake Bay Pollutant Reduction Plan (CBPRP); and

WHEREAS, York County has developed a Regional CBPRP whereby participating municipalities (including those with MS4 permits, waivers and non-urbanized municipalities) will identify, fund, implement, and jointly report stormwater “Best Management Practices” projects that will help York County meet the draft pollutant reduction targets; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the governing COUNCIL/BOARD to take formal action to either “Opt In” to the Regional CBPRP or “Opt Out” and develop an individual municipal plan.

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