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Mr. Bryan T. Havir, P.P., AICP
Township Manager, Cheltenham Township
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Dear Mr. Havir

Thank you for your support of the Tookany Creek, Cheltenham, PA, Section 205 study. In partnership with Cheltenham Township, the Corps is now finalizing the feasibility report, with a recommendation for six detention basins along Tookany Creek for flood risk management.

As part of its review, the Corps determined that it must undertake additional engineering and life safety analyses not originally envisioned. Although the six detention basins will be dry under normal flow conditions, they must be designed with the same disciplined criteria the Corps uses to design its dams, as water will be impounded during floods. These analyses will ensure that all engineering, life and safety criteria appropriate for design of dams are met and economic feasibility verified.

Although this will add time to the schedule, it will be done commensurate with the relatively small scale of the project and expedited during the next four to six weeks. After the additional work is complete, the Corps will review, finalize and approve the report. The entire process is envisioned to be complete over the next four months, within the available non-Federal funds already provided.

Mr. Scott Sanderson, Project Manager and I will coordinate with you regularly on the progress of the study. If you have any questions or comments please contact me at 215-656-6540 or Scott Sanderson at 215-656-6571.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Peter R. Blum".

Peter R. Blum, P. E.
Chief, Planning Division