



January 6, 2021

The Honorable Gerald J. Mullery
156 South Market Street
Nanticoke, PA 18634

Senator John T. Yudichak
164 South Market Street
Nanticoke, PA 18643

The Honorable Eddie Day Pashinski
152 South Pennsylvania Ave
Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702

**Re: Growing Greener Watershed Protection Grants
WVSA MS4 Warrior Creek and Gardner Creek Stream Restoration Projects**

Dear State Representative Mullery, State Representative Pashinski, and Senator Yudichak,

On behalf of the Wyoming Valley Sanitary Authority (WVSA), I thank you for supporting the recent Growing Greener Watershed Protection Grants awarded to us for implementation of the Warrior Creek and Gardner Creek stream restoration projects. These green infrastructure projects are required to be implemented as part of our regionalized Pollutant Reduction Plan (PRP) and help us comply with the state's Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) regulations.

The proposed stream restoration projects will have a direct impact on improving both stream and overall watershed quality by removing pollutants, including sediment and nutrients (nitrogen and phosphorus) from our waterways. With the implementation of these stream restoration projects, we will restore more than 6,000 feet of streams located in our communities.

Grants received for any of our proposed MS4 projects benefit all of our 32 Regional Stormwater Management Program (RSMP) member municipalities. We thank you for recognizing the importance of funding these significant watershed improvement projects.

Sincerely,

James B. Tomaine, PE
Executive Director

Cc: Samuel T. Guesto, Jr., Chairman of the Board