March 10, 2014

RE: On-lot septic system cleaning, Bethel Township

Dear Property Owner:

The PA Department of Environmental Protection requires municipalities to routinely update plans on handling the sewage needs of the municipality. As part of the update approved in 2010, DEP required Bethel Township to take necessary steps to maintain and/or improve the quality of groundwater. One of the requirements affects all properties serviced by an on-lot septic system. Ordinance #120910 requires all properties served by on-lot septic systems to have the septic system inspected and pumped a minimum of one (1) time every three (3) years. Bethel Township has been divided into two districts solely for this matter. Your property lies within <u>District A</u> which requires pumping and inspection to be completed between January 1 and December 31, 2014.

Please review the enclosed list of Registered Pumpers/Haulers to schedule the inspection and pumping by the deadline above. At the time of inspection and pumping, the Registered Pumper/Hauler will be required to complete the Bethel Township On-Lot Sewage Management Report. The Registered Pumper/Hauler will provide a copy of this report to the property owner and Bethel Township; as well as keeping one for their records. If you have any questions regarding this process, please contact Bethel Township at (717)865-4005 or betheltwplebanon@comcast.net.

Sincerely,

Bethel Township