

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

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AGENDA MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL COMBINED MEETING MONDAY, MAY 12, 2025 7:30 PM

Opening: Pledge of Allegiance and roll call ▶

Approval of Minutes: Approval of the minutes from April 9, 2025 and April 14, 2025 regular meetings. ▶

Council member statement regarding conflicts of interest on agenda items ▶

Public comment pertaining to non-agenda items ▶

Resolution, Ordinances and Agreements:

Adoption:

Resolution 2025 – 06 – Water allocation for May ▶

City Manager Report ▶

Department Reports ▶

Legal Report ▶

Old Business

1. Saubles Addition Annexation ▶

Public comment pertaining to Agenda items ▶

Council member Reports ▶

Adjournment ▶

MAY 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3 Bulk trash at Memorial Park 7:30 AM – 1:00 PM
4	5 City Election 7 AM – 7 PM at Taneytown the Police Station	6	7	8	9 Business Breakfast at Thunderhead 7:30 AM	10 Fishing Derby Roberts Mill Park 8 AM – 12 PM
11	12 Mayor and City Council Combined Meeting 7:30 PM	13	14 Parks and Recreation Advisory Board 6:30 PM	15	16	17 Spring Community Flea Market Memorial Park 9 AM – 2 PM
Spring Scavenger Hunt – Bollinger Park						
18	19	20 Comprehensive Plan meeting 6:30 PM	21	22	23	24
25	26 Memorial Day Ceremony at Memorial Park 10 AM ----- Parade along E. Baltimore Street at 1 PM	27	28	29	30	31

**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
TANEYTOWN, MARYLAND
Mayor and Council Workshop
April 9, 2025
DRAFT**

The Mayor and City Council workshop was held at 7:30 PM on Wednesday, April 9, 2025.

Present: Mayor Miller, Mayor Pro Tem McCarron and Council members Foster and Chaney. **Not Present:** Council member Fuller was excused from the meeting and Council member Tillman was attending a conference. **Also Present:** Clerk Kalman. Mayor Miller led the Pledge of Allegiance.

There was a moment of silence in memory of Zoning Administrator Darryl Hale, who passed away on April 1, 2025.

Review of Minutes: Review of the minutes of the March 5, 2025 and March 10, 2025 regular meetings, the March 10, 2025 Closed Session and the March 12, 2025 Main Street Meeting – no changes were requested.

Council member statement regarding conflicts of interest on agenda items: None

Public comment pertaining to non-agenda items:

There were no comments from the public

Resolutions, Ordinances and Agreements:

Adoption:

Ordinance 04 – 2025 – Stormwater Management -

Ordinance 05 – 2025 – Speed Monitoring System –

Resolution 2025 – 05 – Water allocation for April -

No questions, or concerns were expressed about any of the items for adoption.

City Manager Report:

- City Manager Wieprecht was not in attendance, but his written report was provided.

Department Reports:

No questions, or concerns were expressed.

Old Business:

1. Saubles Addition Annexation – No questions, or concerns were expressed

New Business:

1. Monthly Financial Report –
2. Accounts Payables –
3. Approval of Special Event Permit – Woofstock – Memorial Park – June 21, 2025
4. Easement Agreement – Renehan Property – Memorial Park Expansion
5. Easement Agreement – Grace United Church of Christ
6. Water recharge Memorandum of Understanding

No questions or concerns were expressed about any of the items of New Business.

Public comment pertaining to agenda items:

There were no comments from the public

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn at 7:35 PM by Foster, 2nd by Chaney – carried 3 - 0

Respectfully Submitted by: Clara Kalman, City Clerk

**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
TANEYTOWN, MARYLAND
Mayor and Council Meeting
April 14, 2025
DRAFT**

The Mayor and City Council meeting was held at 7:30 PM on Monday, April 14, 2025.

Present: Mayor Miller, Mayor Pro Tem McCarron and Council members Fuller, Foster, Chaney and Tillman. **Also Present:** City Manager Wieprecht and Clerk Kalman. Mayor Miller led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes: Approval of the minutes of the March 5, 2025 and March 10, 2025 regular meetings, the March 10, 2025 Closed Session and the March 12, 2025 Main Street Meeting – motion to approve all minutes by Tillman, 2nd by Chaney – carried 5 - 0

Council member statement regarding conflicts of interest on agenda items: None

Resolutions, Ordinances and Agreements:

Adoption:

Ordinance 04 – 2025 – Stormwater Management – motion to adopt by Chaney, 2nd by Tillman – carried 5 - 0

Ordinance 05 – 2025 – Speed Monitoring System – motion to adopt by Foster, 2nd by Tillman – Mayor Pro Tem McCarron stated previous councils have examined the issue thoroughly and concluded it was primarily a money-making proposition rather than a safety proposition and would cause a burden to the citizens if enacted. Council member Tillman stated he understands the concern, however when examining the data presented from the recent surveys it seems to indicate safety is indeed of concern. The motion carried 3 – 2 with McCarron and Fuller opposed.

Resolution 2025 – 05 – Water allocation for April - Motion to adopt by McCarron, 2nd by Foster – carried 5 – 0.

City Manager Report:

- City Manager Wieprecht advised a progress meeting for the Westview Drive water line replacement was held. The road has been soft cut and a rough schedule was provided. The project should be completed by the first week of October, including the paving.
- The Riffles Lane storm drain pre-bid meeting was held today. There will be some modifications with the plans because one of the contiguous property owners did not allow access to his property, which will necessitate hand digging.

Department Reports:

- No questions or concerns were expressed.

Old Business:

1. Saubles Addition Annexation – City Manager Wieprecht advised the annexation is going through the process with a public hearing to be scheduled soon. The Annexation packet has been submitted to the County and the State Planning Department. Staff is seeking consensus of the Council to allow the buyer to settle on the property and begin using utilities while the annexation process continues. The annexation consent and agreement are both irrevocable. The Council provided consensus to allow the settlement to take place.

Responding to council member Tillman, Wieprecht advised the fluctuation in the nitrogen loading graph is likely due to various tests which were preformed and lower Micro-C use.

New Business:

1. Monthly Financial Report – Motion to approve by Foster, 2nd by Tillman – carried 5 – 0.
2. Accounts Payables – Motion to approve by Tillman, 2nd by Chaney – carried 5 – 0.
3. Approval of Special Event Permit – Woofstock – Memorial Park – June 21, 2025 – motion to approve by McCarron, 2nd by Tillman – carried 5 – 0.
4. Easement Agreement – Renehan Property – Memorial Park Expansion - Motion to approve by Foster, 2nd Tillman – carried 5 – 0.
5. Easement Agreement – Grace United Church of Christ – Motion to approve by Tillman, 2nd by Chaney – carried 5 – 0.
6. Water recharge Memorandum of Understanding – Motion to approve by Foster, 2nd by Tillman – Responding to Council member Tillman, Wieprecht advised this does not represent every gallon of water available because the County does hold some water in reserve. The motion carried 5 – 0.

Council member Reports:

- Council members provided updates for their particular areas of focus.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn at 7:58 PM by Tillman, 2nd by Chaney – carried 5 – 0.

Respectfully Submitted by: Clara Kalman, City Clerk

**CITY OF TANEYTOWN
RESOLUTION NO. 2025-06**

WHEREAS, the Charter of the City of Taneytown gives the City Council power to operate and maintain a water system and take all necessary steps for the efficient operation thereof; and

WHEREAS, the Charter of the City of Taneytown gives the City Council the powers to exercise planning and zoning authority, under which the City has established a process for granting zoning certificates and building permits which serves to regulate construction and development within the City; and

WHEREAS, from time to time the City, based on water usage demand, improvements made to the water system, and other related factors, shall reassess the formula and calculations used to calculate available water capacity; and

WHEREAS, such a re-evaluation was conducted in August 2017 by the City and its Engineer and have used such findings in the creation of Exhibit A attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Taneytown makes the following findings:

- A. The City of Taneytown has a limited water supply. The amount of water available for allocation to new or expanded uses is provided on Exhibit A, attached hereto and made a part hereof.
- B. It is necessary for the City of Taneytown to protect its limited water supply to allocate water capacity to existing, pending and future development within its jurisdictional boundaries to ensure the continuing economic development and stability of the City, and to ensure that development will not generate water demands which exceed available capacity.
- C. Substantial harm to the public health, safety and general welfare of the City in the form of premature exhaustion of its water supply and economic hardships will result from the issuance of unlimited development approvals.
- D. Under the mandate of State law, the City has adopted a Water Capacity Management Plan to guide the development, use and allocation of drinking water appropriate for use by the City and its residents. The terms of the Water Capacity Management Plan require that the City give specific attention to water allocation.
- E. This Resolution is a fair and reasonable means of achieving, and substantially advances a public purpose and has been adopted to provide the controls necessary to accomplish this purpose.
- F. In making these findings the City Council has reviewed the background documentation and presentations by City staff and concludes that it reasonably supports these findings.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council deem it in the best interest of the citizens of the City of Taneytown to use an allocation process for water currently available for new and expanded uses.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TANEYTOWN that:

1. An allocation shall be made of the existing water supply for any existing lot of record where the owner has made application for a zoning certificate for improvements to said lot and the lot conforms in all ways to the Code of the City of Taneytown, or has already received the necessary waivers, variances, or special exceptions.
2. An allocation shall be made of the existing water supply for any development project that has received approval from the Taneytown Planning and Zoning Commission and has recorded plats.
3. An allocation shall be made of the existing water supply for any development to which water capacity was addressed under the terms of a Development Rights and Responsibilities Agreement.
4. The calculations used in forming this allocation plan are provided on Exhibit A.
5. This Resolution shall become effective upon passage of this Resolution.
6. This Resolution for the allocation of water supply shall expire as provided on Exhibit A.
7. Upon the expiration of this Resolution all allocations made under this Resolution, but not utilized shall be null and void. A reallocation of any existing water supply shall be made after that date by action of the Council.
8. This Resolution and the water allocation made thereunder does not in any way create a contract, agreement or other promise by the City to any party, to provide the water allocated beyond the effective dates of this Resolution. Any plans, decisions or determinations made in reliance of the allocations made in this Resolution or on the available water shown in Exhibit A are made at the parties own risk.
9. The City Staff is hereby empowered to enact policies necessary for the effective administration and enactment of the goals contained in the Resolution.

INTRODUCED THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2025

CLARA J. KALMAN, CITY CLERK

PASSED THIS _____ DAY OF _____ 2025 BY A VOTE OF
_____ COUNCILMEMBERS IN FAVOR AND _____
COUNCILMEMBERS OPPOSED.

CLARA J. KALMAN, CITY CLERK

APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____ 2025.

CHRISTOPHER G MILLER, MAYOR

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY
THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2025.

BY: _____

Exhibit A.

Resolution 2025-06
May 12, 2025
Water Allocation Plan

	<u>EDU</u>	<u>GPD</u>
Available Gallons per Day (GPD)		38,335
Allocated		
Infill	2 @ 250 gpd	500
Total Allocated		500
Available GPD Less Allocated		37,835
Projects with Preliminary Plan Approval		<u>0</u>
Remaining GPD		37,835

This allocation plan shall expire on **June 9, 2025**

City Manager Report

Quick Look Project Chart

April 2025

#	Category	PROJECT	STATUS	Amount/ Notes	Status Update
1	All	Capital Equipment	In Progress		No Update this month
2	Planning Commission, City Council	Charter and Code review and update	In Progress		No Update this month
3	DPW	Roberts Mill Road / Broad Street Reconstruction	Construction substantially complete		Claim letter submitted, no update this month
4	Storm Water	Riffles Lane to York Street Darin	Design complete		ON this month's agenda. Bids were opened on April 25, 2025. DPW's Recommendation Memo is included with this month's DPW report
5	DPW	FY 24 Sewer Rehabilitation	In Progress		No Update this month
6	DPW	Westview Drive water line replacement	In Progress		Construction ongoing. The first segment of new water line has passed pressure testing. When bacteria testing is completed & passed, dwellings along this section of the road will be connected to the new line and the temporary line will be disconnected & removed.



I.T. DEPT MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL REPORT

<u>#</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Comments/Plan to Resolve</u>
1	Exchange & Spam Email Filter	Spam filter has been holding up to its task, and the IT DEPT is very happy with the performance. Exchange admin Eric Riddle has been handling this well as he continues the mitigation efforts.
2	Maintaining & Updating of TPD Deployed Hardware & Software	All deployed hardware and software are in good working order. Server backups and maintenance updates have been performed as scheduled. All networking controllers are functioning optimally. BWC program is going well. All officers are wearing this equipment. New in-car radios have been delivered and programmed. A new police complaint system database has been constructed and testing has started, but it has not in production.
3	Providing IT Help Desk Support to TDP	Offer support immediately when needed.
4	Maintaining & Updating of City Hall & Annex Deployed Hardware & Software	All deployed hardware and software are in good working order. Server backups and maintenance updates have been performed as scheduled. All networking controllers are functioning optimally. ProxMox Server for virtualization is running CRISNET, ZERO TIER, TPD-CIS, DPW Complaint database and Recycle Container database. TANEYTOWN CONNECT has been a great tool for the City thus far. A new desktop client refresh has started on the domain.
5	Performing IT Help Desk Support for City Hall	Offer support immediately when needed.
6	City Website & Social Media	Social Media Policy: Under review by the City Manager and Attorney. Website and Social Analytics: ➤ Facebook- Reached 3.2k/Post Views 1k/Followers 3,344 ➤ Twitter- 18 Tweets/usual analytics not available w/out pro account now ➤ YouTube- Watched time 7,632 mins/Views 779/10:58 avg duration ➤ Website- Sessions 5.5k /Users 3.1k /Page Views 14.5K ➤ Taneytown Connect- 15 posts/Downloads = 491 iOS/ 248 Android
7	Water Billing Software Package (VUB)	Water/Sewer bills are due 4/30/25 for the first quarter billing cycle. There are 4 accounts in shut-off status at the time of writing this report. We have 9 no reads on our MXU worksheet. This has changed from 14 as of the last report. This fluctuates after readings. Every quarter we discover failed or failing units. MXU's and or Meter's will be replaced as we gain entry from the homeowner.
8	Cellular Towers	AT&T has submitted proposed upgrade plans for the elevated water tower. Southern Corrosion has accepted a structural analysis, but modifications need to be made to support this change. These are currently under review by the cell tower team.
9	Open Meeting Videos & City Events	All open meeting recordings have been produced edited and uploaded and posted to all approved social media and City website. Analytics were provided earlier in this report.

Position/Title	Name	Date	Phone Number
IT Specialist	Daniel Dennis	4/30/2025	240-315-6401



PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT **MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL REPORT**

#	<i><u>Item</u></i>	<i><u>Comments</u></i>
1	Park Improvements & Development Maintenance & Repairs Playgrounds – Flickinger, Memorial Park, Roberts Mill, Roth Avenue, THS Park Other Pending Issues	<u>Improvements & Development:</u> Memorial Park Expansion Project – the easement deed for the Renehan property has been approved and signed. We had a meeting with ARRO and SHA regarding the stormwater runoff from the proposed sidewalk from St. Joseph’s to the connector road from Frederick Street; the conclusion was that we will remove the sidewalk from this project and therefore eliminate the problematic runoff. ARRO will be revising the plans and submitting to SHA for their review and approval. We also need the County to approve the revised Forest Conservation, after which we should be able to record the necessary easement deeds for the County (floodplain, forest conservation), obtain approval from our Planning Commission, and release an RFP. Grant funding awarded for this project is \$864,781.00 and we need to remain within the timeline parameters so as not to jeopardize this funding, so we need to begin construction within the year. Bollinger Park Meditation Garden –the resident with whom we’re working on this project has put a pause on the next step (fundraising) to facilitate some time/distancing between the February 4th incident and reaching out to potential donors so that there is no perceived affiliation between the incident and the proposed meditation garden. Memorial Park – the NEOS surfacing was replaced and the new poured-in-place surface looks great. Pavilions 1, 3, 4, and 5 now have light grey tin ceilings, which is a huge improvement over the previous cage wire ceilings. DPW installed a fence along the parking area and middle road near the large red/blue playground and they did a wonderful job – the fence looks fantastic. DPW also repainted the lines in the parking lots. One of the large pine trees across from the DPW equipment building broke off in the April 19th storm and pulled power lines down; everything has been repaired, and the remainder of the tree has been removed. Roberts Mill Park – two memorial benches will be installed around the pond; one is for Darryl Hale (we also intend to plant a memorial tree for Darryl in the Memorial Park Expansion). <u>Maintenance & Repairs:</u> DPW is taking care of some minor maintenance tasks in the parks; park inspections will be conducted this month and a list of any findings will be provided to DPW afterward. <u>Playgrounds:</u> The surfacing on the tot lot at Memorial Park was damaged during the April 19th storm (a small area was gouged by a fallen tree branch); this will be repaired in the coming weeks. <u>Other Pending Issues:</u> None.
2	Sports Programs	Organizations that hold Spring seasons are in full swing, and some of those that hold Fall seasons have opened registration. Many of the organizations will be holding fundraisers and are either planning them or have already launched them.
3	Events	We have finalized the summer Family Movie Nights. Carroll Arts Council sadly cannot sponsor the movie licensing costs, so Taneytown Men of Faith are seeking donations to cover said costs. We are also working with Choe’s Hap Ki Do to finalize a summer camp from August 4th-8th at Memorial Park. Our annual Easter Egg Hunt at Memorial Park on April 12th went well and the weather held out for us. We had free cookies and juice, raffle tickets for filled Easter baskets, pictures with the Easter Bunny, a bounce house, and 4,000 eggs (each filled with candy or a toy) which were found in seconds flat! We had about 250 children participate. Special thanks to our sponsors – Thunderhead Bowl, Kennies, and Cedar Hedge Farm – and to Council Member Judy Fuller for being the Easter Bunny!

#	Item	Comments
		On Saturday, April 26th we held our 5th annual Earth Day Cleanup from 1-3 p.m. in all our developed parks. It was a light turnout – about 30 volunteers – but it was still a successful event and at the end of the day the parks were free of litter. Special thanks to the FSK Jr. Eagles Soccer organization for preparing the hot dogs and drinks for the volunteers! Our annual Fishing Derby is scheduled for Saturday, May 10th from 8 a.m. to noon at Roberts Mill Park. This is always a community favorite, and it's great to see children of all ages catching fish (sometimes their very first!). We appreciate DNR's assistance and trout-stocking of the pond in preparation for this event. A free hot dog and drink is given to all contestants, provided at FSK Jr. Eagles Soccer's snack shack and sponsored by Berserker Lures. The event following the Fishing Derby is our annual Spring Community Flea Market, Saturday, May 17th from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at Memorial Park. We have almost 40 vendors signed up. We'll also be running a Spring Scavenger Hunt, with 5 small frog statues hidden in Bollinger Park; finders will bring their frog statue to the Parks & Rec table at the Flea Market to collect a prize bag. The Memorial Day ceremony and parade will be held on Monday, May 26th (Memorial Day). The ceremony will be at the War Memorial at Memorial Park at 10 a.m. State Delegate Eric Bouchat has issued a commemoration for Darryl and will be reading this at the ceremony and presenting it to Darryl's family. The parade will kick off at 1 p.m. at the ACNB parking lot and proceed down E. Baltimore Street to end at the Kennie's parking lot. We're still accepting parade participants. Our annual Wine, Art & Music Festival will be on Saturday, June 7th from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. at Memorial Park – lots of great wineries, distilleries, breweries, craft vendors and food trucks from which to choose, and The Tribe band will be performing. Tickets are \$25 for Regular Admission / \$20 in advance and \$40 for VIP Admission / \$25 in advance; General Admission (no tastings) is free. Regular Admission includes entry at 12 p.m., 5 oz. tasting glass, unlimited tastings; VIP Admission includes entry at 11 a.m., full size glass, unlimited tastings, swag bag with lanyard for glass, raffle tickets, etc., and access to the VIP tent. All of our events are posted on our Facebook page and on the City's website calendar as well as on the Carroll County Office of Tourism's website calendar. Flyers are also posted at the library and at the Carroll Vista clubhouse. We appreciate Dan Dennis's assistance in getting the notifications disseminated through the Taneytown Connect app as well. <u>Special Events / Permits Required</u> Taneytown Pride – June 22, 2025 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Memorial Park (Permit pending approval.) Carroll Kennel Club – August 30 & 31, 2025 from 7 a.m.-3 p.m., Memorial Park (Permit pending approval.) <i>[See also attached list of events.]</i>
4	Parks and Recreation Advisory Board	The next meeting is scheduled for May 14 th . Meetings are held at 6:30 p.m. (or upon conclusion of the TAA meeting) and are open to the public. All meetings are livestreamed and available on the City's YouTube channel.
5	Taneytown Athletic Association	The next meeting is scheduled for May 14 th at 6:30 p.m. These meetings are also open to the public. All meetings are livestreamed and available on the City's YouTube channel.
6	Other	The next meeting of MML Parks & Recreation Association (MML PRA) will be May 1st. This is a virtual meeting with officer elections. Due to my work schedule and increased involvement with MML PRA, I will not be continuing my service on the MML Engagement & Outreach Committee.

Position/Title	Name	Date	Phone Number
Director, Parks & Recreation	Lorena Vaccare	5/1/25	443-487-1942

2025 EVENTS

Name of Event	Date(s)	Time	Location	Organization	Contact	Special Event Permit Required?	Notes
Fishing Derby	Saturday, May 10, 2025	8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Roberts Mill Park	City of Taneytown	Lorena Vaccare	No	Free; open admission; must register morning of event; prizes; free hot dog and drink per contestant.
Spring Scavenger Hunt	May 11-17, 2025	(any time)	Bollinger Park	City of Taneytown	Lorena Vaccare	No	5 frog statues hidden; finders bring them to Flea Market for a prize.
Spring Community Flea Market	Saturday, May 17, 2025	9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Memorial Park	City of Taneytown	Lorena Vaccare	No	\$10 for 10x10 spot, \$20 for 20x20; food trucks.
National Capital Region Early Ford V8 Club Car Show	Sunday, May 18, 2025	7:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Memorial Park	NCR Early Ford V8 Club	Vicky Wilmer	Yes	Special Event Permit #25-001
Memorial Day Ceremony	Monday, May 26, 2025	10:00 a.m.	Memorial Park	City of Taneytown	Lorena Vaccare	No	Speakers: Mayor, Delegates, etc.; National Anthem: Vicki Bohn; Bugler: Kate Irwin (American Legion Commander); Invocation: Pastor Cris Frigm.
Memorial Day Parade	Monday, May 26, 2025	1:00 p.m.	From ACNB>Kennie's	City of Taneytown	Lorena Vaccare	No	SHA Special Event Permit required; Various participants.
Wine, Art & Music Festival	Saturday, June 7, 2025	11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Memorial Park	City of Taneytown	Lorena Vaccare	No	Free General Admission (no tastings); \$40 VIP Admission; \$25 Regular Admission (both w/tastings). Food trucks; Band: The Tribe; craft & artisan vendors. Rain Date: 6/14
Summer Scavenger Hunt	June 20-August 31, 2025	(any time)	(all 6 developed parks)	City of Taneytown	Lorena Vaccare	No	20 painted rocks hidden in our 6 parks; finders take them to the library to turn in for a prize bag.
CCHS Woofstock	Saturday, June 21, 2025	10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Memorial Park	CCHS	Shelley Amoss	Yes	Special Event Permit #25-003
Taneytown Pride Event	Sunday, June 22, 2025	9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Memorial Park	Dorian Campbell-Temple	(same)	Yes	Special Event Permit pending
Movies in the Park	June 28, July 12, July 19, August 2, August 16	8:45 p.m.	Memorial Park	Carroll County Arts Council / TT Men of Faith	Lorena Vaccare	No	Free Admission. Movies: Cinderella, National Treasure 2, The Forge, Kung Fu Panda 4, Ghostbusters Afterlife. First 25 attendees receive a free snowcone from Purple Polar Bear.
Good News Club VBS	June 30-July 4, 2025	5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Roth Avenue Park	Good News Club	Victoria Nelson	Yes	Special Event Permit pending
Independence Day Celebration	Thursday, July 3, 2025	6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.	Memorial Park	City of Taneytown	Lorena Vaccare	No	Free admission. DJ, food trucks, games, bounce house, face painting, fireworks at 9:30 p.m. Rain date: 7/5.
Yoga in the Park	June 2, 16, July 7, 14, August 11, 18	6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Memorial Park	City of Taneytown	Lorena Vaccare	No	Instructor: Shawn Essed. Free. Registration required. Registrants can attend any class.
Youth Tennis Clinics	July 10, 17, 24, 31	8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. (8th-12th Graders), 9:30 a.m. - 11 a.m. (5th-7th Graders), 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (1st-4th Graders)	Memorial Park	City of Taneytown	Lorena Vaccare	No	Instructor: Darian Butler. Weekly clinics x 4 weeks. Registration required. Registration fee (varies by age group).
FSK FFA Alumni Car Show	Saturday, July 12, 2025	9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Memorial Park	FSK FFA Alumni	Stanley Haines	Yes	Special Event Permit pending
Family Fun Food Truck Friday	Friday, July 18, 2025	5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Memorial Park	City of Taneytown	Lorena Vaccare	No	Food trucks/vendors, band: Six Daze, pony rides, petting zoo, bounce houses, games.
Artisan Fest	Saturday, July 26, 2025	10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Memorial Park	Carroll County Arts Council	Gwen Asbury	No	Art vendors; food trucks; bands; kids craft tent; beer garden.
National Night Out	Tuesday, August 5, 2025	6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Memorial Park	City of Taneytown	TPD - As Assigned	No	Pony rides, bounce houses, vendors, food trucks, misc. entertainment.
Coach X's Basketball Camp	TBD		Memorial Park	Xavier Smith	Xavier Smith	Yes	Special Event Permit pending
Adult Tennis Clinics	August 7, 14, 21, 28	5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Memorial Park	City of Taneytown	Lorena Vaccare	No	Instructor: Darian Butler. 2 evening clinics weekly x 4 weeks. Registration required. Registration fee \$75.
Reading in the Parks Contest	August 17-23, 2025	(any time)	(any park)	City of Taneytown	Lorena Vaccare	No	Contestants post pictures of themselves reading in our parks on the FB event; top 3 contestants win prizes from local businesses.
Carroll Kennel Club	August 30-31, 2025	7:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Memorial Park	Carroll Kennel Club	Karen Logue	Yes	Special Event Permit pending
Photography Contest	September 1-October 31, 2025	n/a	any park	City of Taneytown	Lorena Vaccare	No	Categories: Nature, Action, Play. Judges vote; top 3 in each category (plus 1 overall best) win prizes.
Harvest Festival	Saturday, September 27, 2025	11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Memorial Park	City of Taneytown	Lorena Vaccare	No	Free admission. Pony rides, petting zoo, bounce houses, face painting, games. Craft vendors, straw maze, wagon rides. Food trucks; band: Hickory Wind.
Birds & Bourbon at Bollinger	Saturday, October 18, 2025	3:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.	Bollinger Park	City of Taneytown	Lorena Vaccare	No	Admission: \$25. Limited to 20 participants. Bourbon tastings and guided birdwatching walk.
Alyssa Richards Memorial Car Show	Saturday, October 4, 2025	8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Memorial Park	Gary Richards	Gary Richards	Yes	Special Event Permit #25-002
Halloween Decorating Contest	October 1-31, 2025	n/a	n/a	City of Taneytown	Lorena Vaccare	No	Homeowners register; judges vote; top 3 win prizes.
Trunk-or-Treat	Saturday, October 25, 2025	2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Memorial Park	Chamber of Commerce	Jodi Narowski	No	"Trunks" register with Jodi; free hot dogs.
Tails of Taneytown	Saturday, October 25, 2025	2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Memorial Park	City of Taneytown	Lorena Vaccare	No	Costumed pet parade in park; contest w/ judges; prizes.
Christmas Tree Lighting	Saturday, December 6, 2025	4:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Memorial Park	City of Taneytown	Lorena Vaccare	No	Candy Cane Hunt at 4:30 p.m.; Tree lighting/Santa arrives at 5:30 p.m.; food trucks; wagon rides.
Holiday Decorating Contest	December 1-30, 2025	n/a	n/a	City of Taneytown	Lorena Vaccare	No	Homeowners register; judges vote; top 3 win prizes.

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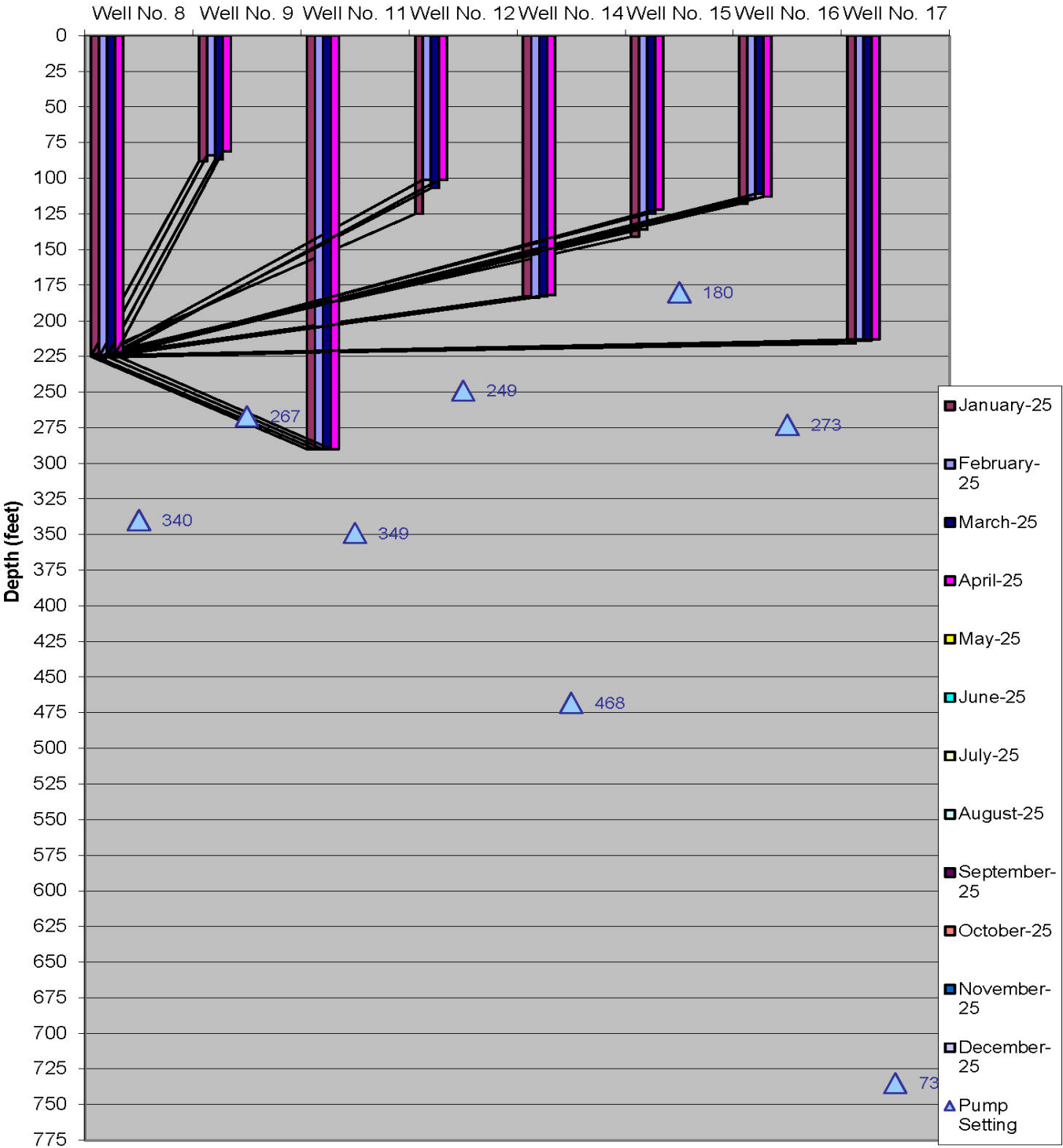
#	<u>Item</u>	<u>Comments/Plan to Resolve</u>
1	Use and Occupancy Inspections	There were NO U&O's completed in April.
2	Work Orders	(244) work orders were completed; (42) were requests from other departments.
3	Trash and Recycling	During March 2025, the city paid \$1,589.50 in tipping fees for 28.90 tons of recycling collected. Attached is a total of tipping fees from Carroll County for household recycling and refuse for 2024. Ecology Services, in conjunction with Carroll County Landfill, compiled a mailer for acceptable and nonacceptable items. They have also worked on tags for cans that do not meet landfill requirements for recycling (contaminated recycling). All recycling trucks that go to the landfill that are contaminated are dumped as regular trash at a higher rate than recycling. So, starting on April 30th, recycling cans that have contamination will not be emptied and tagged notifying the residents of the contamination. It will be the responsibility of the residents to take the contaminated material out of the recycling for next week's collection.
4	Well levels	Well levels remain stable from our previous months. Attached is an email from Zach Neal (Carroll County Hydrogeologist) with his monthly report for all of Carroll County. The city has been in a voluntary water ban since the renovations began on our water storage tanks and remains in effect to this date. With Mr. Neal's report, I would highly recommend that the Mayor and Council start to consider the need to implement the next level of water ban. With the police department trying to hold a carwash fundraiser, I also recommend that this be put on hold until a time that water level conditions have increased to a more stable level.
5	Leak detection	During our April leak detection, there were no leaks detected.
6	PFAS & PFOA Remediation Grant Funding	Waiting on final release of priority list from MDE. No change in status.
7	Lead Service Line inventory	Waiting on final release of priority list from MDE. No change in status.
8	Roberts Mill Road/Broad Street Rehabilitation	Due to the bankruptcy of W. F. Delauter, the city is working on making a claim against the performance bond to have the paving issues repaired. No change in status.
9	WWTP	Attached is the running spreadsheet for nutrient loading for the WWTP. As Jim discussed at last month's meeting, the numbers are close or just over the floating cap. Nitrogen numbers have started to come back down and should continue to trend downward. As for the Phosphorus numbers, March numbers elevated just above the floating cap, due to testing a new chemical for phosphorus removal. We ran the dosing at a lower rate for a couple of weeks to get a good idea of the potential for this new chemical. This new chemical called Delpac XG

<u>#</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Comments/Plan to Resolve</u>
		removes phosphorus better than our current chemical Ferric Chloride with less corrosiveness or hazards to equipment and personnel. This new chemical also has a lower price tag for purchase. We will be moving to change over to Delpac soon. With this change there will be no additional equipment needed. Our current chemical feed system is capable of the switch.
10	Dewatering Project	Conewago has completed the project with some minor punch list items remaining. A Certificate of Substantial Completion has been given with the understanding that they will complete the remaining items on this list. No Change in status.
11	W. Baltimore St./Memorial Park sewer rehabilitation	Monumental Paving has completed a final walkthrough with CDM Smith and the city. Monumental Paving was in during April to address all grass areas with new topsoil and reseeded the areas as well. The Carroll County Erosion and Sediment Control Inspector also allowed for the removal of the sediment controls in all areas as well. As long as the new seed takes, this will close out this project
12	Westview Dr. Watermain Replacement	Phase 1 section of water main from Harney Rd. past Taneytown Crossing has been installed, pressure tested and passed. By the time of the council meeting, service lines for this area will be connected to the new water main and phase 2 temporary water main will be installed.
13	Stumptown Road Emergency Repairs	A major repair and safety addition near Roberts Mill Park started on March 17 th . Due to the 5 springs found under the roadbed this project lingered longer than expected. Additional time was needed to install drain tiles to allow water from these springs to be removed from under the road. Also, additional reinforcement of the roadbed was needed in these areas. Stumptown Rd. will be opened during the first week of May.
14	Riffles Lane Storm Drain Installation	Bid opening was completed on April 25 th . Recommendation letter is attached.

<i>Position/Title</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Phone Number</i>
Director of Public Works	Kevin Smeak	4/30/25	410-984-4829

Date	Well No. 8	Well No. 9	Well No. 11	Well No. 12	Well No. 14	Well No. 15	Well No. 16	Well No. 17
January-25	225	88	290	125	183	141	118	216
February-25	226	84	290	101	184	136	114	213
March-25	225	87	290	107	183	125	111	214
April-25	224	81	290	101	182	122	113	213
May-25								
June-25								
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September-25								
October-25								
November-25								
December-25								
<i>Pump Setting</i>	340	267	349	249	468	180	273	735

2024 Taneytown Well Pumping Levels



Refuse/Recycling tracking 2025

Month	Tons Recycled	Recycling	2024 Recycled	2024 Recycling	Refuse Tons	Refuse	2024	2024
		Tipping Fees		Tipping Fees		Tipping Fees	Refuse Tons	RefuseTipping Fees
January	33.14	\$1,822.70	36.79	\$2,023.45	199.53	\$13,094.98	156.07	\$10,300.62
February	52.24	\$2,873.20	38.48	\$2,116.40	155.98	\$9,612.24	194.44	\$12,876.31
March	28.90	\$1,589.50	45.54	\$2,504.70	193.02	\$12,738.92	170.66	\$11,263.56
April			36.99	\$2,034.45			179.54	\$11,849.64
May			58.92	\$3,240.60			215.49	\$14,222.34
June			34.95	\$1,922.25			199.2	\$13,147.20
July			56.31	\$3,097.05			228.51	\$15,081.66
August			43.09	\$2,369.95			184.54	\$12,179.64
September			45.67	\$2,511.85			194.24	\$12,821.14
October			54.45	\$2,994.75			228.99	\$15,113.34
November			40.85	\$2,246.75			156.67	\$10,340.22
December								
Yearly total	114.28	\$6,285.40	492.04	\$27,062.20	548.53	\$35,446.14	2108.35	\$139,195.67

RE: County Hydrologic Conditions Update - April 2025

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Good evening all,

A brief hydrologic update for April is provided below. Much like the previous update, we're still carrying quite the precipitation deficit since the start of the water year, resulting in widespread below to well below normal conditions. Well below normal conditions are now dominating the groundwater monitoring network, with 61% of wells in the program at or below their 10th percentiles for the month. 7 of the 36 wells assessed set new record lows for the month of April.

Precipitation

- Precipitation totals for the month thus far have varied across the County. Hampstead and Manchester received just over 3 inches of precipitation. Westminster, New Windsor, Mt. Airy, and Taneytown received 2-3 inches of precipitation, while Union Bridge and Eldersburg received 1.5-2 inches. This would be about a normal amount of precipitation (skewing slightly below normal) for Hampstead, Manchester, parts of Westminster, and New Windsor, but would generally translate to a monthly deficit of 1-2 inches for Taneytown, Mt. Airy, Union Bridge, and the Eldersburg area.
- For the water year (started 10/1/2024), we've received approximately 13-16 inches of precipitation across the County. This equates to a 8.5-11 inch deficit across the County.

USGS Streamflow

Stream gauge data for earlier this afternoon are provided below:

- Morgan Run – 2% (Well Below Normal)
- Beaver Run – 2% (Well Below Normal)
- North Branch Patapsco River – 1% (Well Below Normal)
- Cranberry Branch – 5% (Well Below Normal)
- Big Pipe Creek – 1% (Well Below Normal)
- Monocacy River – 10-11% (Below Normal; on the cusp of Well Below Normal)

US Drought Monitor

- The 4/24/2025 map (reflecting conditions through 4/22/2025) had all of Carroll County classified as experiencing severe drought. The next update should be released Thursday, based on conditions observed through tomorrow.

NOAA Seasonal Outlook

- The updated NOAA outlooks for April are provided below:
 - Temperature – There's an increased chance of warmer than normal temperatures for the foreseeable future.
 - Precipitation – NOAA is suggesting there is an increased chance of wetter than normal conditions for the summer. Thereafter, they are projecting equal chances (no direction favored) by fall, with drier than normal conditions pushing into the region (setting up just to our southeast) by late fall/early winter. While the forecast is a long ways out and subject to change, this last part is noteworthy, as it sets a similar stage for the conditions we're encountering this year following our drier than usual winter (when we get the recharge that brings our water levels back up).

Groundwater Levels – Historic Month of April Comparison

- Hampstead – The most reliable monitoring wells in the area generally carried well below normal ratings. Only Widerman 1 and Widerman 2 were once again rated normal this month, which is unusual given their positioning near newer stormwater infrastructure (which often results in “above normal” conditions at these locations relative to their historic observed conditions). MW-2 (21%; but also a SWMF influenced well) and RF-1 (18.5%) were rated below normal. All other wells (OB-3, NCF-4, Corbin 6, Corbin 4, Leister 3, Leister 6, and PW-14) were rated well below normal, with Leister 3 and Leister 6 setting new record lows for the month of April since monitoring began (November 2008).
- Manchester – Conditions in Manchester generally mirrored those observed in Hampstead. The Charmil well (better suited for drought monitoring) was rated well below normal, at approximately 4.5%. The Blevins well was rated above normal, but this well appears subject to influence from alterations to the operation of proximal production wells, etc.
- Freedom – Of the 7 wells in the Freedom District relied upon for this analysis, only one was rated normal (Sussex Ct), and was in the low end of that range. Four wells were rated below normal, while two were rated well below normal, with FP-10 setting a new record low for the month of April.
- Mt. Airy – Water levels were dominated by well below normal conditions. Two of the three wells used in the drought monitoring procedure manual were below their respective 5% thresholds (one of the triggers [to be looked at with other factors] for mandatory restrictions in the updated procedure manual). Shadyside 2 was at 8.5%, which is well below normal. Shadyside 1 and Watkins Park both set new record lows for the month of April. ECR-01 set a new record low for the month of April since monitoring began (August 2009). GF1E was rated well below normal, at approximately 8.75%. Only the Watersville well was rated normal; this well is a bit more of an anomaly and its response tends to deviate from regional prevailing conditions. For this reason, this well isn't relied upon heavily for drought monitoring purposes.
- Union Bridge – Water levels at the Phillips wellfield were well below normal, with Phillips 1 at the 3rd percentile and Phillips 2 at the 7th percentile. Raywell 1 (less significance to the Town) set a new record low for the month of April since records began in December 2005.
- New Windsor – MSF-1 was at approximately the 10th percentile (right on the cusp of below normal and well below normal).
- Taneytown – The Park well was rated below normal, at the 15th percentile.
- Westminster & Pleasant Valley – Water levels were below to well below normal throughout the area. The Farm Museum well came in at 6.75%, classifying it as well below normal. Starner 2 (4.5%) and PV-Obs (8.5%), were both similarly rated well below normal. WV-15 (11.25%) and Starner 1 (~25%) were both rated below normal, with Starner 1 at the normal/below normal threshold.

The next water level readout is scheduled for May 9, 2025. I'll plan to send out another update by late May. We are now past the point that water levels would tend to rise seasonally (they historically peak in April/May).

Please feel free to reach out with any questions.

Best,

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Subject: RE: County Hydrologic Conditions Update - March 2025

Good afternoon all,

A brief hydrologic update for March is provided below. Much like the previous update, we're still carrying quite the precipitation deficit since the start of the water year, resulting in widespread below to well below normal conditions. While we received precipitation after water levels were measured on 3/14/2025, it only approximated 0.25-0.75 inch across most of the County, with the higher totals observed towards the northwestern portion of the County.

Precipitation

- Precipitation totals for the month thus far (including after the 3/14/2025 groundwater level measurement day) are between 0.9 and ~1.5 inches. This equates to a deficit of 1-2 inches in most areas in the County (typically around 1.2 inches), except for Taneytown, which had a 0.5-1 inch deficit for the month thus far.
- For the water year (started 10/1/2024), we've received 10-15 inches (more realistically 10-12 inches) of precipitation across the County. This equates to a 7-8 inch deficit across much of the County, with some areas now showing a >8 inch deficit, especially in the far eastern portion of the County (and in isolated areas near Taneytown, Union Bridge and Mt. Airy).

USGS Streamflow

Stream gauge data for earlier this afternoon are provided below:

- Morgan Run – 2% (Well Below Normal)
- Beaver Run – 3% (Well Below Normal)
- North Branch Patapsco River – 2% (Well Below Normal)
- Cranberry Branch – 1% (Well Below Normal)
- Big Pipe Creek – 3% (Well Below Normal)
- Monocacy River – 20% (Below Normal)

US Drought Monitor

- The 3/13/2025 map (reflecting conditions through 3/11/2025) had all of Carroll County classified as experiencing moderate drought. The next update should be released tomorrow, based on conditions observed through yesterday.

NOAA Seasonal Outlook

- The updated NOAA outlook for March is not yet available. I'd expect it will be available later this week or early next week.

Groundwater Levels – Historic Month of March Comparison

- Hampstead – The most reliable monitoring wells in the area generally carried below to well below normal ratings. Only Widerman 1 and Widerman 2 were rated normal this month, which is unusual given their positioning near newer stormwater infrastructure (which often results in “above normal” conditions at these locations relative to their historic observed conditions). MW-2 (18%; but also a SWMF influenced well), Corbin 4 (11%), Leister 3 (11%), PW-14 (10.25%) and RF-1 (15%) were all rated below normal. All other wells (NCF-4, Corbin 6, and Leister 6) were rated well below normal, with NCF-4 setting a new record low for the month of March since monitoring began (September 2009).
- Manchester – Conditions in Manchester generally mirrored those observed in Hampstead. The Charmil well was rated well below normal, at approximately the 7th percentile, while the Blevins well was rated normal (in the lower end of that range) at approximately 30.5%.
- Freedom – Of the 7 wells in the Freedom District relied upon for this analysis, only one was rated normal (Sussex Ct). All other wells were rated below normal, anywhere between 12.25% and 24%.
- Mt. Airy – Water levels were a bit mixed, but were generally rated below normal to well below normal in the area. Two of the three wells used in the drought monitoring procedure manual were below their respective 15% thresholds, with one well (Shadyside 1) rated at the 15th percentile. Shadyside 2 was at 6.75%, while Watkins Park was at 6.25%; both were rated well below normal. ECR-01 set a new record low for the month of March since monitoring began (August 2009). GF1E was rated below normal, just below the 12th percentile. Only the Watersville well was rated normal.
- Union Bridge – Water levels at the Phillips wellfield were below to well below normal, with Phillips 1 just above the 5th percentile (well below normal), and Phillips 2 just above the 11th percentile (below normal). Raywell 1 (less significance to the Town) set a new record low for the month of March since records began in December 2005.
- New Windsor – MSF-1 was just above the 9th percentile (well below normal).
- Taneytown – The Park well was rated well below normal, just above the 9th percentile.
- Westminster & Pleasant Valley – Water levels were below to well below normal throughout the area. The Farm Museum well came in at the 9th percentile, classifying it as well below normal. Starner 2 (8.25%) and WV-15 (8.75%), were both similarly rated well below normal. PV-Obs (14%) and Starner 1 (12.5%) were both rated below normal.

The next water level readout is scheduled for March 28, 2025. I'll plan to send out another update around mid-April. At this point, of the 36 wells utilized in this analysis, 14% are within their historic normal ranges, 44% are rated below normal, and 42% are rated well below normal. If you haven't spoken with your administrators and elected officials about at least voluntary restrictions for the Spring, now would be a good time to do so. With vegetation starting to come out of dormancy, evapotranspiration rates will be on the rise.

Please feel free to reach out with any questions.

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Subject: RE: County Hydrologic Conditions Update - February 2025

Good afternoon all,

A brief hydrologic update for February is provided below. While we've received about a normal amount of precipitation for February thus far (as of today), we're still carrying quite the deficit since the start of the water year, resulting in widespread below to well below normal conditions. While we received precipitation after water levels were measured on 2/14/25, it only approximated 0.5-0.75 inch across the County.

Precipitation

- Precipitation totals for the month thus far are between 1.5 and 2 inches throughout much of the County, except Mt. Airy, where 2-3 inches have been observed. This is considered a normal amount for the month to date.
- The water year function for the NOAA database is operational today, and confirms the deficit previously mentioned in the last update; generally 5-8 inches throughout the County.

USGS Streamflow

- While I would normally provide percentiles from the USGS Stream gauges in the County, many gauges are currently affected by ice due to the sustained sub-freezing temperatures we experienced this week. The few that aren't reporting ice certainly appear to be affected by it (erroneous and/or abnormally fluctuating flows the last few days). I suspect the gauges will slowly start reporting consistent and more accurate flow again over the weekend (and possibly going into Monday).

US Drought Monitor

- The 2/20/2025 map (reflecting conditions through 2/18/2025) had all of Carroll County classified as experiencing moderate drought.

NOAA Seasonal Outlook

- The updated NOAA outlooks for February are provided below (though they mimic the update from January):
 - Temperature – There's an increased chance of warmer than normal temperatures for the foreseeable future.
 - Precipitation – Chances are equal, with no direction (drier, wetter, normal) particularly favored, through spring 2025. By late spring, the pattern appears as though it'll shift, with a slightly increased chance of wetter conditions favored from late spring through fall 2025. Thereafter, chances are generally equal again.

Groundwater Levels – Historic Month of February Comparison

- Hampstead – The most reliable monitoring wells in the area generally carried below to well below normal ratings. Only Widerman 1 and Widerman 2 were rated normal this month, which is unusual given their positioning near newer stormwater infrastructure (which often results in “above normal” conditions at these locations relative to their historic observed conditions). MW-2 (21.5%; but also a SWMF influenced well), Corbin 4 (10.5%), PW-14 (15%) and RF-1 (22%) were all rated below normal. All other wells (NCF-4, Corbin 6, Leister 3, and Leister 6) were rated well below normal, with NCF-4 and Leister 6 setting new record lows for the month of February since monitoring began. Monitoring of NCF-4 began in September 2009, while monitoring of Leister 6 began in November 2008.
- Manchester – Conditions in Manchester generally mirrored those observed in Hampstead. The Charmil well was rated well below normal, at approximately the 9th percentile, while the Blevins well was rated normal at the 47th percentile.
- Freedom – Of the 7 wells in the Freedom District relied upon for this analysis, three were rated normal (Sussex Ct, OB-14 off, and OWE, with OWE in the low-end of its normal range). Two of the seven were rated below normal (anywhere from the 16th to 20th percentiles), while two wells (OB-24A and FP-10) were rated well below normal.
- Mt. Airy – Water levels were a bit mixed, but were generally rated below normal to well below normal in the area. Two of the three wells used in the drought monitoring procedure manual were rated at or below their respective 15% thresholds, with one well (Shadyside 2) rated slightly above. Shadyside 1 was at the 15th percentile, while Shadyside 2 was around the 17th percentile. The Watkins Park well set a new record low for the month of February since records began in July 2002. ECR-01 fell to the well below normal category, at the 7th percentile, while GF1E fell to the below normal category, at the 19th percentile. Only the Watersville well was rated normal.
- Union Bridge – Water levels at the Phillips wellfield were below to well below normal, with Phillips 1 at the 9th percentile (well below normal), and Phillips 2 at the 13th percentile (below normal). Raywell 1 (less significance to the Town) set a new record low for the month of February since records began in December 2005.
- New Windsor – MSF-1 was at the 18th percentile (below normal).
- Taneytown – The Park well was rated below normal, at about the 22nd percentile.
- Westminster & Pleasant Valley – Water levels were quite mixed, but leaned more towards well below normal. The Farm Museum well came in at the 7th percentile, classifying it as well below normal. Starner 2 (5.25%) and WV-15 (7%), were both similarly rated well below normal. PV-Obs (26%) and Starner 1 (25.5%) were both barely within the low end of their normal ranges.

The next water level readout is scheduled for February 28, 2025. I’ll plan to send out another update around mid-March. As before, while we’ll continue to closely track water levels, if conditions don’t start to improve substantially throughout the month (and into March), you may want to start discussing at least voluntary restrictions for the Spring with your administrators and elected officials.

Please feel free to reach out with any questions. Have a great weekend!

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	TN (mg/l)	TN (lb)	TP (mg/l)	TP (lb)	Total Effluent Flow (MG)	TN (mg/l)	TN (lb)	TP (mg/l)	TP (lb)	Total Effluent Flow (MG)	TN (mg/l)	TN (lb)	TP (mg/l)	TP (lb)	Total Effluent Flow (MG)	TN (mg/l)	TN (lb)	TP (mg/l)	TP (lb)	Total Effluent Flow (MG)
January	5.4	1826.5	0.2	71.5	40.4	6.7	3167.7	0.3	56.6	20.9	3.4	516.1	1.0	215.7	26.9					
February	3.9	1290.7	0.3	109.5	39.8	3.4	1426.8	0.2	50.6	40.5	3.6	536.1	0.7	96.5	15.6	33.9	5107.6	0.3	120.5	55.6
March	4.6	1711.6	0.2	88.4	44.6	3.6	1463.9	0.2	48.4	29.0	4.7	800.2	0.6	156.6	29.4	156.4	26409.7	0.6	103.8	19.5
April	3.2	884.4	0.3	72.0	32.9	3.2	1612.7	0.3	61.4	29.4	3.9	482.3	0.3	62.3	28.4	197.7	24610.7	0.8	118.6	17.0
May	4.3	1487.5	0.2	65.8	41.8	4.1	3016.1	0.3	88.2	36.8	4.1	647.0	0.3	66.1	27.5	97.6	15446.4	0.4	115.3	32.5
June	7.9	1401.9	0.4	70.6	21.2	4.9	4212.5	0.4	102.8	28.2	4.9	390.8	0.5	56.2	12.8	48.2	3861.8	0.5	78.7	21.0
July	3.1	728.3	0.8	200.6	28.6	5.3	6700.5	0.5	150.5	33.6	6.9	750.5	0.5	76.9	17.6	51.3	5555.0	0.4	42.2	14.5
August	2.5	277.6	1.2	132.5	13.4	3.1	1759.2	0.3	67.5	30.8	8.4	426.7	0.8	134.4	19.2	58.2	2948.3	0.4	34.2	11.3
September	1.3	130.3	0.9	95.5	12.1	5.5	12121.1	0.6	264.9	55.2	7.4	339.1	0.9	115.0	16.2	88.0	4036.9	0.7	69.8	12.9
october	1.3	257.5	1.0	200.8	23.6	4.9	2973.1	0.3	72.2	34.6	6.1	542.7	0.8	104.2	15.9	44.7	3983.6	0.3	37.0	13.1
November	2.7	494.5	0.3	57.5	22.1	1.2	1653.3	0.3	165.2	66.0	2.9	243.3	0.1	20.4	17.7	70.1	5853.6	0.5	43.6	11.0
December	4.2	1447.2	0.3	100.6	41.8						3.3	513.7	0.1	13.8	13.2	31.7	5017.3	0.3	48.7	20.3

Note* Data from Dec 2018 and Jan 2016 left out as outliers

City of Taneytown Wastewater Treatment Plant - 2025 Nutrient Load Tracking																
Month	Avg TN Conc (mg/l)	Avg TP Conc (mg/l)	Total Effluent Flow (Mil Gal)	Average Flow (MGD)	Monthly TN Actual Load (lb)	Monthly TP Actual Load (lb)	YTD TN Actual Load (lb)	YTD TP Actual Load (lb)	YTD TN Actual Load (lb)	YTD TP Actual Load (lb)	Floating TN Load Limit (lb)	Floating TP Load Limit (lb)	Capped TN Limit (lb)	Capped TP Limit (lb)	Floating TN Limit (lb)	Floating TP Limit (lb)
Jan	3.9	0.17	19.493	0.6	634	28	634	28	634	28	650	49	13394	1005	650	49
Feb	4.2	0.26	27.030	1.0	947	59	1,581	86	1581	86	902	68	13394	1005	1552	116
Mar	3.2	0.62	22.320	0.7	596	115	2,177	202	2177	202	745	56	13394	1005	2297	172
Apr				-	-	-	-	-	2177	202	899	67	13394	1005	3195	240
May				-	-	-	-	-	2177	202	1156	87	13394	1005	4352	326
Jun				-	-	-	-	-	2177	202	693	52	13394	1005	5045	378
Jul				-	-	-	-	-	2177	202	786	59	13394	1005	5831	437
Aug				-	-	-	-	-	2177	202	623	47	13394	1005	6454	484
Sep				-	-	-	-	-	2177	202	805	60	13394	1005	7259	544
Oct				-	-	-	-	-	2177	202	727	55	13394	1005	7986	599
Nov				-	-	-	-	-	2177	202	974	73	13394	1005	8960	672
Dec				-	-	-	-	-	2177	202	837	63	13394	1005	9796	735

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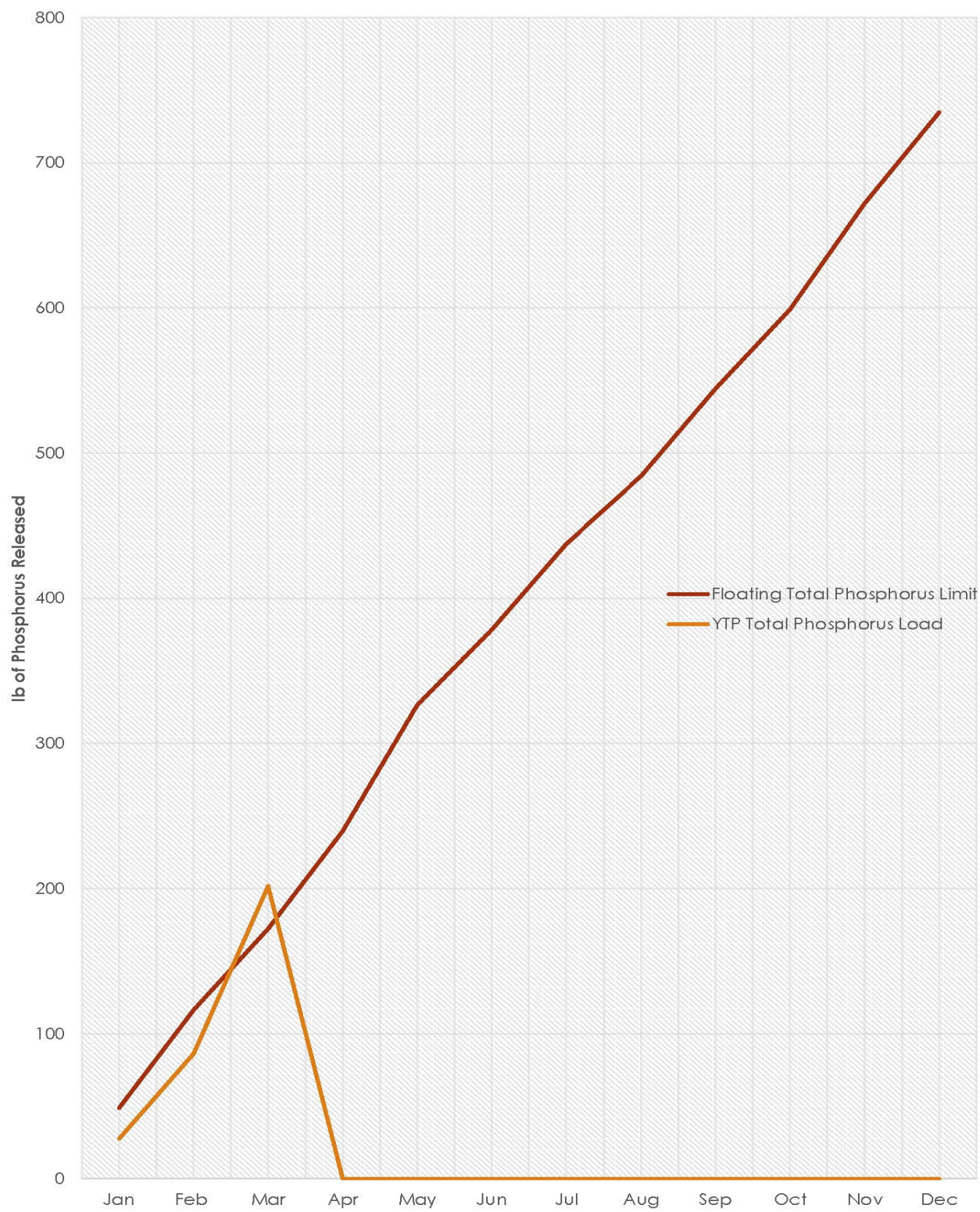
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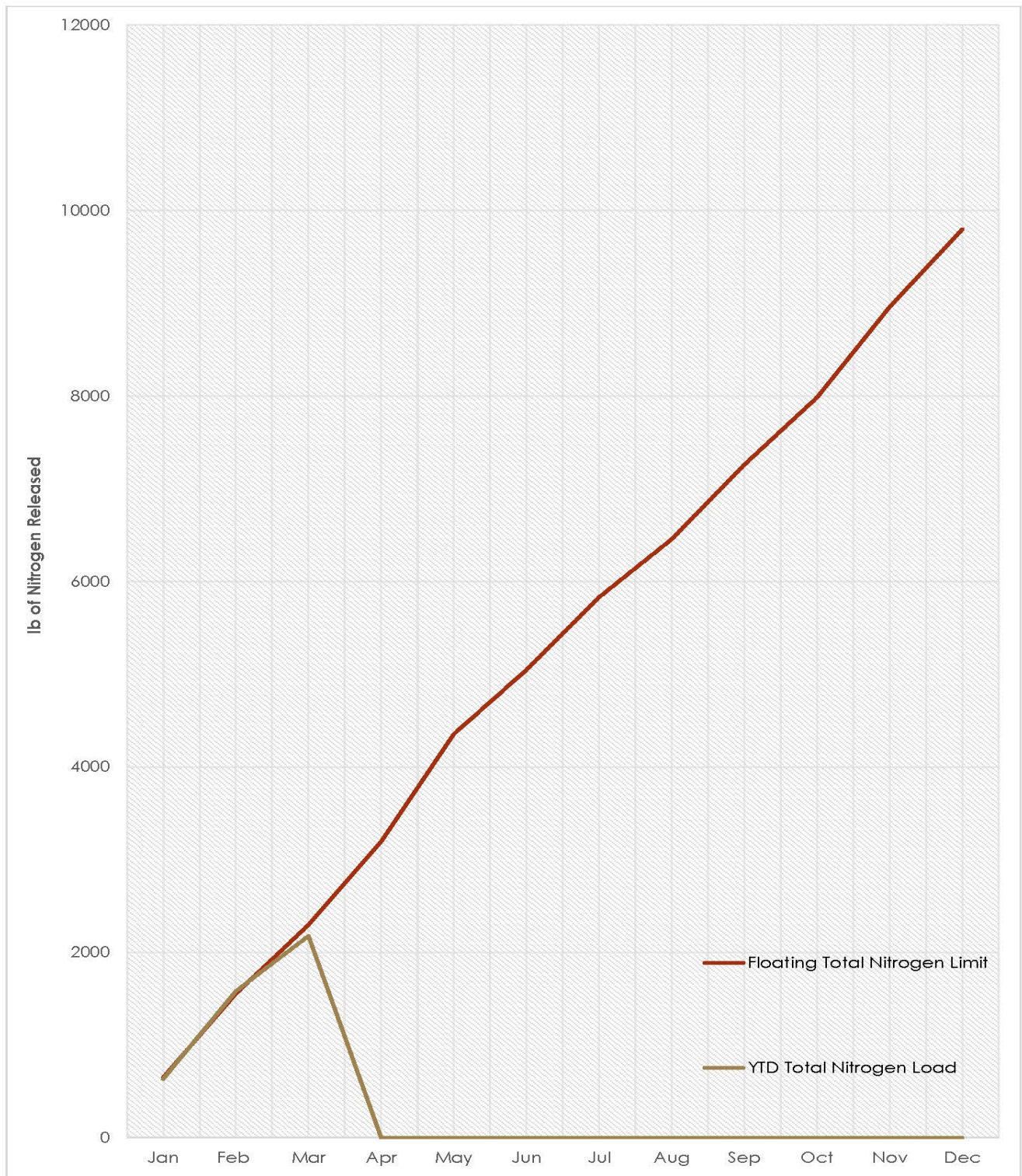
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Nutrient	Project Load Limit Remaining (lb)	Average Concentration Requirement to Meet Load Limit (mg/l)
Total Nitrogen	7,620	4.06
Total Phosphorus	533	0.28







Zoning Certificates Issued April 2025

Run Date: 05/01/2025 7:09 AM

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Create Date	Reference No	Address 1	Z_Description of Work
4/3/2025	ZC010016-040325	21 E BALTIMORE ST	New Business with Tenant Fit Out; Downtown Mini-Mart and Tobacco Shop, retail sales of convenience, tobacco, and vape products
4/7/2025	ZC010017-040725	514 BULL RUN RD	Construct 12' x 20' deck with landing and stairs to grade
4/14/2025	ZC010020-041425	210 MORNING FROST ST	CONSTRUCT 20' X 20' X 15' HIGH GARAGE
4/22/2025	ZC010024-042225	424 TANEY DR	CONSTRUCT POOL DECK, 9'10" x 10' WITH STAIRS TO GRADE
4/28/2025	ZC010027-042825	150 CRIMSON AVE	FINISH BASEMENT APPROX 31'X19' FOR BEDROOM, FAMILY ROOM AND UTILITY CLOSET
4/28/2025	ZC010029-042825	5151 ALLENDALE LN	CONSTRUCT FEATURE WALL and RELATED REDLINE CHANGES TO SITE PLAN S-23-0004
4/29/2025	ZC010030-042925	17 OBRIEN AVE	REPLACE DECK SURFACING, RAILS AND STEPS
4/29/2025	ZC010031-042925	360 CRIMSON AVE	CONSTRUCT 12 X 19 DECK

Fence & Wall Permits Issued April 2025

Create Date	Reference No	Address 1	F_Type of Fence
4/7/2025	ZC010019-040725	45 BANCROFT ST	4' WOOD RAIL
4/28/2025	ZC010028-042825	306 TANEY HEIGHTS DR	42"Aluminum Pickett
4/30/2025	ZC010033-043025	42 MONOCACY CIR	6' PRIVACY FENCE
4/30/2025	ZC010034-043025	25 W BALTIMORE ST	20" High Retaining Wall and Replacing Portion of 5' Fence

Code Enforcement Summary

Cases Created	7
Cases Closed	1
Current open cases	66

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