

Quality of Life Subcommittee Meeting

Monday 22 June, 2015

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Becky shared an extensive list of updated references which pertain to our topic.

Anne reviewed research done on local use of private wells, number, location, quality. Found the Principal Aquifer Overlay map prepared for the Steering Committee did not appear to adequately protect areas in the town in which residents rely on wells for their water source. Also mapping used by Clark Patterson Lee was based on outdated Aquifer maps. We recommend protection of areas of the town currently relying on wells for private water sources.

Lee will be contacting Dr. Richard Young to see if he is willing to meet with the 3 of us regarding any updated information about mapping, or anything else relevant to geology as it relates to natural gas development affecting quality of life. Lee hopes to work on the agricultural aspect of local water use.

We also discussed expanding our topic to cover water as it relates to agricultural use and water quality in general. For the time being, we agreed our focus will be on water.

We discussed the possibility of a presence (IRG) at the upcoming York Valley Fest (7/25) both to provide and to gather information. Lee and Anne are willing to sit at "our" table from 10 until 1 or 2 p.m.

We discussed whether a name change might attract more local interest. Impact Research Group does not reveal the crux of our focus. Perhaps we should consider wording that does.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Roth-Blizzard