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Floyds Fork Environmental Association
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Louisville, KY 40299

Subject: Integrated Overflow Abatement Plan (IOAP)
Public Input Meeting May 15, 2012
Response to comments

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for taking the time to attend the meeting and provide us with verbal comments relative to MSD's IOAP program. The attached transcript includes your comments and the response provided by MSD staff at the meeting.

Since it appears that MSD addressed your comments and questions at the meeting, no further response is required. This letter and the attached transcript will be posted on MSD's Project WIN web page at the link <http://msdprojectwin.org/Public-Input.aspx>.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Steve Emly".

Steve Emly, PE
Interim Engineering Director

Attachment: Transcript of comments



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Questions asked immediately following the technical presentation.

██████████ - "██████████, Floyds Fork Environmental Association - Just wanted to say that we were concerned there with the Billtown pump station, that's on Seatonville Road, that the small masonry, brick building was not block building, was not what we expected there. And that the larger building is going up now and, you know, there were big design pages that were shown at a public meeting and, you know, you show a rendering, but we don't really even know what color it is. I mean, we've seen it could be white, it could be gray, it could be yellow, I'm not sure, you know, so if you could comment on what materials that building would be made out of, and, you know, the rendering that you show shows pretty much like hedge rows or something other, but that doesn't really fit in with the area. You know it should look more natural, you know. The trees that were projected to be along the roadway that MSD's landscape architect just removed and said they were not providing. You know in the Floyds Fork development review overlay, you were supposed to have a filtered view. So, anyway, if you could comment on that and let us know. You know since the building is going up, what you could do and whether or not with the smaller masonry block building, whether or not you could get some creek stone, I think they make it in big sheets, and put that over top of that so it would look more like a spring house or fit in with that agricultural and rural landscape that exists."

Steve Emly, MSD- "I'll talk a little bit about the process that we went through to get the permits to build what we built first. We went through some extensive conversations with what we considered to be the key stakeholders in the area. And, at the time, 21st Century Parks was really just beginning to implement the development of their park system, so we took quite a bit of development, of input, from 21st Century Parks. We encouraged their comments about what this facility would look like. It is the main entrance coming down Seatonville Road into one of the key parks in 21st Century Parks. So, we're very cognizant of that and tried to do the best we can and get that facility to fit in to that area. The rendering here doesn't show it very well, but the intent of the steel building is to almost give it a barn-like appearance. ██████████ and MSD disagree on what that appearance, on whether we've accomplished that goal or not. I will say this though, MSD went through a community facilities review for the design and permitting of this pump station. And the landscaping, the buildings, the type of construction that are being constructed are what was reviewed and approved at that community's facilities review process. We are in the process of, again, continuing to take input on if there are changes to landscaping. We are obviously interested in trying to hear those. For anyone who has seen the landscaping plan for this particular facility, it is one of the most heavily landscaped facilities you will ever see. We've got some projections that I didn't include in my presentation tonight about what we've envisioned this to look like ten years down the road when some of that vegetation has established itself. And it's pretty overwhelming the amount of vegetation that we've put around this. And, again, we've hired the use of a landscape architect to help us get through that process; we're using native species to accomplish that goal. So, from my standpoint, we've certainly gone above and beyond what we are required to do to construct this facility. And, again, I say that and I'll say it again, we're happy to take input to any changes to that landscaping plan that the key stakeholders in the watershed are interested in talking to us about."

██████████ - "If I could just follow up on that, I mean, basically, you know MSD continues to consult 21st Century Parks and Future Fund Land Trust. And 21st Century Parks doesn't live there, you know? We're the residents; we're the people that live there. And we're there all the time. And we attended a community facility review and made comments there. The other groups, well, they're not groups, they're boards. They did not attend those meetings, but yet MSD continues to defer and get input somewhere at some meetings with these individuals Whereas the actual government work that was done for the landscape architect review that was done by our planning and zoning people, all of those page after page after page, is my understanding, after the community facilities review took place before the planning commission, that MSD's consultant, Ann Richards, with Land Development Design, went in and whole pages are marked out. Every word is marked out on whole pages saying that they, that MSD, would not do that. And so, you know, we would like to see what was put forward and what we understood would be there will be done."

Steve Emly- "We'll be happy to share that information and all I will say in closing is that what is being constructed is precisely what was presented and approved and what we have on file is the approved community facilities review plan. So we are continuing discussions with ██████████ and other groups about how we can improve the appearance of the site for those who are interested. We are trying to get input from who we would consider to be the key stakeholders in the area and we'll continue to do so."