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Mary B. Hochendoner Clarks Creek Watershed P.O. Box 75 Dauphin, PA 17018

Dear Mrs. Hochendoner:

Your letter of concerns and recommendations regarding the Dehart Dam Emergency Action Plan (EAP) was discussed at the April 1, 2013 Board meeting. The Supervisors and I want to thank you for taking an interest in the Township on matters of concern.

At this time the Board has decided to take your letter of concerns and recommendations under advisement. This is due to the South Central Everbridge Alert System that is now in place.

According to the County this emergency notification system enables the South Central Task Force to provide all who sign up with critical information quickly in a variety of situations, such as severe weather, unexpected road closures, missing persons, and evacuations of buildings or neighborhoods'.

This system also allows all who sign up the ability to receive alerts on multiple phone numbers, text messages and voice alerts so no matter where you are if an emergency occurs you will be notified; something a siren could not do as it is more a site specific notification.

In addition, the Township's Emergency Management Coordinator, Township Supervisors and Manager can send alert messages along with the South Central Task Force informing residents of emergency situations occurring in the area.

We will keep your letter on file and place an article in the next township newsletter regarding the importance of signing up for the Everbridge Alert System and to remind all persons in flood prone areas to be on the alert at all times and to have their own evacuation plan in place.

Again, we want to thank you for taking time in addressing your concerns and recommendations.

If you should have any questions or need help with signing up for the Everbridge Alert System, please do not hesitate to contact me or Robert Rusbatch, EMC.

Sincerely,

Julie A. Seeds Manager

Cc: Robert Rusbatch, Middle Paxton EMC
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