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Ref: ODNR Application A-340-1

Dear Mr. Crow:

The Village of Yellow Springs has been contacted by many concerned citizens regarding the expansion of operations at the Enon Sand and Gravel facility in Mad River Township and we would like to express our support for their concerns and urge ODNR and all regulatory agencies involved to ensure that adequate studies have been done regarding the impact to the groundwater, roads and structures as well as the overall quality of life for residents, businesses and institutions in the area.

As you know, Enon Sand and Gravel has requested two permits which have a great potential to adversely affect the drinking water in the area immediately surrounding their operations. Specifically, the increased mining depth requested and the dewatering on an additional 400 acres of property present a threat to an area that relies heavily on groundwater sources for potable water. The additional impact caused by blasting in a larger area and to a greater depth increases the threat level. This threat could also, potentially, affect those downstream who draw their water from Mud Run Creek or other tributaries.

The Village of Yellow Springs supports the right of everyone to feel secure in their access to safe, potable water. While a direct impact on the water resources for the Village of Yellow Springs is unclear, it is critical that we protect the extensive, interconnected aquifer and tributary system that serves our region. We strongly encourage you to be overly cautious in your considerations because of the significant possibility of widespread impact from approving these permits.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely and on Behalf of Full Council,

Karen Wintrow, President of Council
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