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A letter from the Village of Beulah for all Out of Village Sewer Connections:

The Village of Beulah has the burden of constructing a wastewater treatment facility for their current customers. As you are aware, the Village and EGLE have agreed to an Administrative Consent Order to put the Village's wastewater in compliance with groundwater discharge regulations. Currently, the Village is violating their discharge permit and legal action will be taken if a new wastewater treatment facility is not completed and operational in the schedule EGLE has listed.

- 1) The Village's groundwater discharge is in violation due to poor treatment of the wastewater. EGLE will not allow increased wastewater (out-of-village customers) until the current customers wastewater is treated to meet the discharge effluent limits in the Administrative Consent Order. Furthermore, USDA Rural Development loans will not allow for the wastewater treatment plant to be built for future needs. The loan burden must fall on the existing customers.
- 2) The new wastewater treatment plant will not be operational until 2026 and the Administrative Consent Order between the Village and EGLE may not be resolved until 2028.
- 3) Additional out-of-village customers will be evaluated after the Administrative Consent Order is resolved. However, the Village will not incur additional loan to cover the expansion of the treatment plant, the irrigation system and additional operations and maintenance costs required by the Village to treat additional customer wastewater. This cost will fall on the customers being added to the system. The Village is cognizant of future customers and has selected equipment that can be added on modularly and buildings that can accommodate additional equipment for the future.

Sincerely,

Jeri Riggle VanDePerre, President
Village of Beulah