



April 13, 2020

Tami Shimp
Berks Nature
575 St. Bernadine Street
Reading, Pa, 19607

Re: Letter of Support for Berks Nature 2020 NFWF DWCF application

Dear Ms. Shimp,

Exeter Township is writing in strong support of Berks Nature's application to the NFWF Delaware Watershed Conservation Fund entitled, Carsonia-Crystal Lake Restoration Project.

Exeter Township has been and is partnering with the Mt. Penn Borough Municipal Authority and Berks Nature for the restoration of the Crystal Lake located in Carsonia Park within the Antietam Creek//Schuylkill River Watershed. Our collaboration has taken us through an approved PA DEP Sourcewater Protection Plan, a conceptual design, a Design Package, a PA DEP Growing Greener grant application, and a submitted permit to PA DEP to install the much needed best management practices to improve the water quality, quantity, and wildlife habitat of Crystal Lake and the Antietam Creek. Implementation of this project will contribute positively to the health of the Schuylkill River, Delaware River, and the Delaware Estuary.

Exeter Township is committed to the Crystal Lake restoration project in Carsonia Park as a model community project for the benefit of the surrounding communities and wildlife. Your success with your NFWF DWCF application is critical our project's implementation and as a member of our partnership, we thank you for this grant submission.

Sincerely,

Clarence Hamm
Interim Township Manager

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