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November 11, 2020

Village Council Village of Mattawan 24221 Front Ave. Mattawan, MI 49071

Council Members,

At a regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, November 10, 2020, the Antwerp Township Board of Trustees discussed the proposed installation of the SBE wastewater treatment facility off 25th St, property owned by the Village of Mattawan.

While the Township understands that this is simply the beginning of a process to identify the best course moving forward for the Village, our entire board was a little taken aback that this was our first introduction to the project. We would have preferred representation from the Village to have alerted us prior to the engagement of the feasibility study.

Understanding the construction of the water treatment facility would be within the boundaries of the Village limits, the indirect effects such as the discharge of effluents entering the Township causes concern.

As you are most likely aware, the constitution provides that any municipality's project that requires the use of another jurisdiction's property requires permission from that jurisdiction. After much discussion, the Antwerp Township Board unanimously opposed the use of its road right of way along 25th St, Red Arrow Hwy, and County Road 652 for the discharged effluents to reach Hayden Creek within Almena Township.

Respectfully,

Daniel J Ruzick

Antwerp Township Supervisor

Cc:

Van Buren County Road Commission
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