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It's nice to be able to send some good news ---- and abundant thanks to everyone who has been involved trying to protect our environment and watersheds in this "Williams Sentinel Saga"

Today, PA DEP issued a permit for the Brandywine Creek and Ludwig's Run. The permit is based on a request made by WT on August 3, 2009. PA DEP believes environmental protection has been achieved while Williams Transco will now be able to make their November deadline for supplying their customers.

Essentially, in April DEP's permit prohibited construction in a 2,600 foot stretch the watersheds of the Brandywine Creek and Ludwig's Run, asking for HDD or other plans that DEP could review. Today's permit reduces the 2,600 foot restriction by approximately 533 feet while still prohibiting open cut water crossings. Here's how:

West of the Brandywine Creek, a 42" A Line has been put in place up to Blakey Road (the beginning of the April permit restricted area) Now, the 42" pipe will continue East but construction will **stop West of the Brandywine** (@ the field between Rt 282 and The Brandywine Creek). Here, the 42" A Line will be coupled to the existing 30" A Line.

The 42" A Line which is in place at Sterling Lane will continue East down toward Norwood Road but stop South East of Norwood Road. Here, the 42" A Line will be coupled to the existing 30" A Line.

Line A will REMAIN IN PLACE from West of the Brandywine Creek and under the 2 crossings of Ludwig's Run which are closest to the Brandywine Creek.

The permit DOES NOT AUTHORIZE *"any pipeline construction work in the Brandywine Creek and the 2 western crossings of Ludwig's Run."*

DEP is expressing thanks and acknowledges the efforts of our legislators and citizens whose dedication to protecting Chester County watersheds helped DEP make a precedent changing decision. The bar has been raised.

Thanks to all - Legislators, Citizens & DEP - Pennsylvania's Watersheds just got alittle safer.

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