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State of Arkansas
WATER/WASTEWATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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The Honorable Randall Noblett
Mayor, City of Cave Springs
134 North Main Street
Cave Springs, Arkansas 72718

Re: Cave Springs' Pre-application for Recommendation on Wastewater Funding

Dear Mayor Noblett:

On February 6, 2019, the Water/Wastewater Advisory Committee reviewed your pre-application for funding to conduct a thorough inspection of the existing sewer collection and treatment facilities along with the options available to the city to accommodate projected growth for the city. The Committee recommends funding be provided by the following agencies:

1. Arkansas Economic Development Commission (AEDC)
2. Arkansas Natural Resources Commission (ANRC)
3. Communities Unlimited (CU)
4. U.S. Dept. of Agriculture, Rural Development (RD)

The actual funding amounts cannot be determined at this time. The use of AEDC, ANRC, CU or RD loan funds would be up to you.

Funding consideration from the Community and Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program is contingent upon meeting eligibility and funding criteria and submitting the required grant application and supporting documentation to the Grants Division of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission prior to March 30, 2019. For information pertaining to these requirements, and to receive an invitation to apply, contact Jean Noble, Grants Division Director, at JNoble@ArkansasEDC.com or (501) 682-7389.

This recommendation is conditioned on the following items being resolved to the satisfaction of the proposed funding and regulatory agencies.

1. Arkansas Department of Health letter dated February 1, 2019.

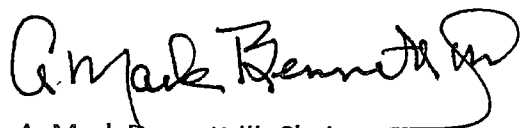
While these are not comments, the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Branch of Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality's (ADEQ) Water Division has asked that we mention the need for an NPDES permit, a Storm Water Permit for construction and a Wastewater Treatment Construction Permit. The National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) program and the Arkansas Water and Air Pollution Control Act require that any facility that discharges wastewater to a water of the State must have a NPDES permit. To discharge without a required NPDES permit subjects the facility to potential civil and criminal penalties.

Any construction projects disturbing one (1) or more acres must have a storm water construction permit issued by ADEQ. The development of a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan is included as a permit requirement and must include the implementation of Best Management Practices (BMPs) during construction. These BMPs must include erosion and sediment control measures to prevent sediment from leaving the construction site.

Wastewater Treatment Construction Permits are required for the construction of any municipal and industrial treatment and collection facilities that discharge treated wastewater to a river or stream. Wastewater treatment construction permits are required for small on-site wastewater disposal systems that commonly serve developments or small areas in the treatment of domestic wastewater.

We appreciate your cooperation with this pre-application process. If you have any questions or comments, please give me a call at (501) 682-3978.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "A. Mark Bennett III". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, stylized initial "A" and "M".

A. Mark Bennett III, Chairman
Water/Wastewater Advisory Committee

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cc: Daniel Barnes, P.E., McClelland Consulting Engineers, Inc.
WWAC Committee Members