



# UPPER UWCHLAN TOWNSHIP

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## ADMINISTRATION

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### UPPER UWCHLAN TOWNSHIP AWARDED DEP FUNDING FOR WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT

CHESTER SPRINGS, PA – Upper Uwchlan Township officials are pleased to announce that the Township has been awarded funding by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) for water quality improvement in the amount of \$282,432.

The Township's project, Restoration of the Marsh Creek Watershed, was one of 61 projects selected by the DEP. The project will include the restoration of approximately 700 linear feet of streambank to a tributary of the Marsh Creek, the construction of a naturalized detention basin at Upland Farms and the naturalization of a Township owned detention basin located off of Heather Hills Drive. An excerpt of the DEP news release is reproduced below.

*Harrisburg, PA – The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) has selected 61 projects to receive grants from the historic \$12.6 million penalty assessed to Sunoco for violations related to the Mariner East 2 pipeline project. The selected projects improve water quality, restore watersheds, and improve stormwater management.*

*“One thing that all of these projects have in common is that they will improve Pennsylvania’s water – whether that is through reducing runoff pollution, restoring watersheds, or other means,” said DEP Secretary Patrick McDonnell.*

*In February 2018, DEP collected the \$12.6 million penalty for numerous violations along the Mariner East 2 pipeline and began accepting grant applications in April. Grants were awarded for stormwater management, invasive species removal, forest restoration, farm runoff reduction, streambank restoration, and many other projects that ultimately improve water quality in*

*Pennsylvania. Grantees include County Conservation Districts, municipalities, school districts, and non-profit organizations.*

*“These projects do not absolve Sunoco of its responsibility to restore any damage to Pennsylvania waters and wetlands through the construction of the pipeline. But it is nice that this penalty could be put directly towards other deserving improvement projects in the communities along the right-of-way,” said McDonnell. “DEP has been vigilant in holding Sunoco accountable for violations and will continue to do so.”*

Read the full DEP news release [at this link](#).

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