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Washington County MULTIMUNICIPAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Client

Carroll Township, Finleyville Borough, Nottingham Township, and Union Township in eastern Washington County, PA

Project Description

Prepare a multimunicipal comprehensive plan for the four participating municipalities

Challenges

Finleyville is essentially a fully developed borough with a central business district. The other three municipalities are rural townships with limited, scattered commercial uses. The four participating municipalities are feeling the initial effects of development spawned by the new Mon Fayette Expressway, and the future construction of another expressway interchange in Nottingham Township will exacerbate these effects. The municipalities desire to steer development toward certain areas to preserve the rural nature of the three townships.

Solution

Based on resident input generated at public meetings, M&L has identified key goals and objectives for the comprehensive plan. M&L is preparing a plan that will help the participating municipalities guide development and preserve their existing rural atmosphere by identifying locations for needed public improvements (chiefly, the provision of water and sewer lines).

Benefits

- The comprehensive plan will permit the participating municipalities to achieve their goal of accommodating new development while preserving their existing rural nature.
- The comprehensive plan provides an implementation strategy with a timetable for identified action steps.
- The comprehensive plan will serve as the basis for updating the townships' zoning ordinances and for the creation of a zoning ordinance for Finleyville Borough.
- The plan will serve as the basis for seeking federal, state, and local funds to implement the plan's action steps.

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