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Radnor Forum on Stormwater, Flooding, and Proposed Ordinance

Radnor Township, PA—On November 17th from 6:30-8:30pm, the Delaware Riverkeeper Network (DRN) will host an expert forum on stormwater. The event will take place at the Radnor Memorial Library's Winsor Room at 114 W Wayne Ave, Wayne PA 19087. Speakers will discuss stormwater best management practices, Radnor's Draft Stormwater Ordinance Revision, and suggested next steps for improving stormwater runoff in Radnor.

The primary speaker will be Michele Adams, Principal Engineer at Meliora Environmental Design. Adams will discuss current and present causes of increased stormwater and associated water pollution and flooding impacts, as well as current and proposed regulations and best practices. The Delaware Riverkeeper Network's Restoration Expert John Nystedt will also be on hand to address discussion regarding recent and proposed stormwater efforts in Radnor including the West Wayne Preserve and a new rain garden being installed at Ithan Elementary School. There will also be discussion regarding the benefits and pitfalls of the Townships draft Stormwater Ordinance currently being written.

According to Maya van Rossum, the Delaware Riverkeeper, "stormwater is a pivotal issue in Radnor as well as many surrounding communities. Understanding the causes and best pathways for addressing the pollution, flooding, erosion and other harms associated with stormwater runoff is critical to ensuring that

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every penny of Radnor’s Stormwater fee is invested to best benefit. Also, ensuring that Radnor quickly puts in place a strong stormwater ordinance that advances best practices for stormwater management and complying with applicable laws will ensure that new development and redevelopment projects don’t become part of the problem but instead are part of the solution.”

The Delaware Riverkeeper Network commented on Radnor’s ordinance and urged specific changes to make it stronger. The Delaware Riverkeeper Network’s comment can be found at <http://bit.ly/DRNCommentRadnorStormwater> . According to van Rossum, “while the current draft of the new ordinance is a good start, it continues to allow an increase in the volume of stormwater runoff that results from new development and creates a loop hole that grandfathers redevelopment projects.”

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