

APPENDIX B

RESIDENTS' SURVEY RESULTS

Question	Leesport Borough	Ontelaunee Township	Perry Township	Total
1. I am a resident ____ landowner ____ in:				
Resident	32	24	50	106
Landowner	31	32	58	121
2. How long have you lived in the Borough/Township?	43	42	76	161
Less than 1 year	2%		1%	.1%
1-5 years	12%	7%	13%	11%
6-10 years	14%	12%	13%	13%
10-25 years	12%	21%	30%	23%
More than 25 years	60%	60%	42%	52%
3. Were you born here?				
Yes	12	4	18	34
No	30	36	49	115
4. Please enter the number of people in each of the following:	93	96	188	377
0-18	19%	11%	16%	16%
19-24	1%	8%	5%	5%
25-34	20%	6%	15%	13%
35-44	11%	9%	14%	12%
45-54	9%	21%	20%	18%
55-64	15%	15%	15%	15%
65-74	15%	23%	10%	14%
75+	13%	9%	5%	8%

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5. What is the total acreage of the land that you own rent in Borough/Township?	35	39	79	153
Less than 1 acre	100%	69%	34%	58%
1.1 - 5.0 acres		21%	47%	29%
5.1 - 10.0 acres			3%	1%
10.1 - 25.0 acres		3%	4%	3%
25.1 - 50.0 acres		3%	3%	2%
50.1 - 100 acres		3%	1%	1%
More than 100 acres			6%	3%
Don't know		3%	3%	2%
6. How is your property presently used? Please rank all items below that apply. Rank the most used as 1.				
Residential	1	1	1	
Agriculture		2	2	
Commercial	2		4	
Industrial				
Woodland		3	3	
Recreation	3		5	
Other				
7. Are there special features on your property that you consider noteworthy for their natural, historic, or other significance? If so, what are they?				
Old Buildings	1		1	

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Woodland		1	2	
View		2	3	
Wildlife			4	
Wetlands			5	
8. What is the most likely thing(s) that will happen to your land within the next ten years?	16	24	36	76
Remain same	69%	79%	83%	79%
Get public sewer			6%	3%
Sell	13%		3%	4%
Flood	6%	4%		3%
Be worthless	6%			1%
Develop around		17%		5%
More Valuable			3%	1%
Develop			3%	1%
Rent			3%	1%
9. What is the primary occupation of each person in your home?				
10. Is your work located in:	34	39	85	158
Borough/Township	24%	15%	15%	17%
Berks County	44%	46%	54%	50%
Outside Berks County	9%	8%	13%	11%
Retired	24%	31%	18%	22%

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11. What is the principal route(s) you take to work?				
12. Business location				
How many employees do you have?				
What will happen to the business in the next 10 years?				
13. What type of agricultural operations are you engaged in?				
14. Do you consider yourself a full-time farmer?				
Yes		1	5	
No		1	3	
15. How many acres do you farm?				
Less than 50		1		
50-100		1	2	
+ 100			4	
16. What percentage of your family income would you say is derived from farming?				
Less and 50%		2	3	
More than 50%			5	
17. Have you adopted an approved soil conservation plan for your farming?				
Yes		1	5	
No		1	2	
18. What is your primary water source?	41	41	81	163
Public water	100%	22%	0	31%

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Drilled well	0%	78%	93%	66%
Hand-dug well	0%	0%	5%	2%
Spring	0%	0%	2%	1%
19. If not a public water, have you ever experienced periods when your spring or well ran dry?		30	79	109
Yes		0	0	0
No		100%	100%	100%
20. Do you use bottled water for drinking?	34	39	74	147
Yes	18%	31%	12%	18%
No	82%	69%	88%	82%
21. Do you treat your water?	31	38	74	143
Yes	10%	39%	26%	26%
No	90%	61%	74%	74%
22. Are you on public sewers?	40	40	74	154
Yes	100%	13%	1%	30%
No		88%	93%	68%
Soon			5%	3%
How old is your septic system?		36	75	111
0-5 years		6%	4%	5%
5-10 years		6%	21%	16%
10-20 years		14%	13%	14%

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20+ years		56%	33%	41%
Don't know		17%	27%	23%
No answer			1%	1%
Holding Tank		3%		1% 1
How often do you have your septic tank pumped?		35	72	107
0-1 year		6%	8%	7%
2 years		11%	21%	18%
3 years		31%	22%	25%
4 years		20%	1%	7%
5 years		3%	18%	13%
6 years				
7 years		9%	3%	5%
8 years				
9 years				
10 years				
Over 10		6%	7%	7%
Never			3%	2%
No answer		14%	17%	16%

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23. What are your (your family's) 3 major forms of outdoor recreation in the Borough/Township?				
Hunting	7	4	3	
Swimming	3	6	5	
Winter sports	9	8	9	
Run/walk	1	2	2	
Biking	4	7	4	
Team Sports	6	9	10	
Fishing	5	3	6	
Hiking	8	10	8	
Nature study	10	5	7	
Gardening	2	1	1	
24. List one or more recreation or leisure facilities you would like to see in the Borough/Township that do not currently exist?				
25. Please rank the following on a scale from 1 to 5, with 1 being most important:				
Rural lifestyle	9	1	2	
Peace and quiet	1	2	1	
Good schools	3	5	4	
Family ties	5	10	6	
Natural beauty	7	4	3	
Natural areas	11	3	5	
Ag areas	10	8	7	

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Public services	4	11	10	
Emergency service	2	6	8	
Economic opportunities	12	12	13	
Shopping areas	6	7	11	
Good transportation services	13	14	14	
Recreational opportunities	14	13	12	
Attractive town/community	8	9	9	
26. Do you consider the Borough/Township	38	38	64	140
Rural	55%	79%	89%	77%
Suburban	45%	21%	11%	23%
27. Which of the following public services are needed in the Borough/Township? Rank your choices with 1 being most important (N/A if not applicable):				
24-Hour police protection	1	2	2	
Minor road improvements	2	1	1	
Municipal-operated park/playground	5	5	5	
Public sewer system	8	4	7	
Major road improvements	7	3	3	
Public transportation	3	7	8	
Public water supply	6	8	6	
Indoor recreation/community center	4	6	4	

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28. Are there any things that detract from the Borough/Township?				
Weeds	2			
Traffic	1			
Poor sidewalks	3			
Mushroom odors		2		
High taxes		1		
Unkept property		3	2	
Junk yards			1	
Over building			3	
29. Are emergency services in the Borough/Township adequate?	40	36	67	143
Yes	97%	97%	96%	97%
No	3%	3%	4%	3%
30. Name 3 things about the Borough/Township that have changed since you moved here?				
Sewer and water	2			
More homes/people	1	1	1	
More businesses	3			
More Traffic	3	2	2	
Higher Taxes		3	3	

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31. What are some things you hope never change in the Borough/Township?				
Rural/small town atmosphere	1	1	2	
Ag areas	2	2	1	
Emergency services	3			
Taxes	3	3		
No public sewer/water			3	
32. If you could change anything about the Borough/Township, what would it be?				
Add door to door mail	1			
Control speeders	2	3	2	
Better playgrounds	3			
Lower taxes		1	1	
Traffic controls on Route 61		2	3	
33. Should agricultural areas in the Township be protected from mass development?	36	40	79	155
Yes	94%	98%	92%	94%
No	6%	2%	8%	6%
34. Should there be additional housing development in the Borough/Township?	37	39	69	145
Yes	32%	23%	30%	29%
No	68%	77%	70%	71%
35. Should there be additional commercial development in the Borough/Township?	38	38	71	147
Yes	58%	42%	38%	44%
No	42%	58%	62%	56%

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36. Should there be additional industrial development in the Borough/Township?	33	35	67	135
Yes	42%	37%	30%	35%
No	58%	63%	70%	65%
37. Do you have any additional thoughts, comments, or concerns? Please discuss them below or on additional sheets.				