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The Panel

- Mark Stivers, AICP, Borough Manager, Columbia, Pennsylvania
- Kay Linnell, P.G., Principal Geologist, ECS Mid-Atlantic, LLC
- John Biemiller, Vice President, Business Retention and Expansion, EDC Lancaster County
- Rick Jackson, RLA, Vice President, ELA Group, Inc.









Outline

- History of Property and Project
- Vision for Development and Community Engagement
- Environmental and Geotechnical Challenges
- Funding Package
- Permitting and Design Process: Current Status
- Question and Answer









History of Property and Project

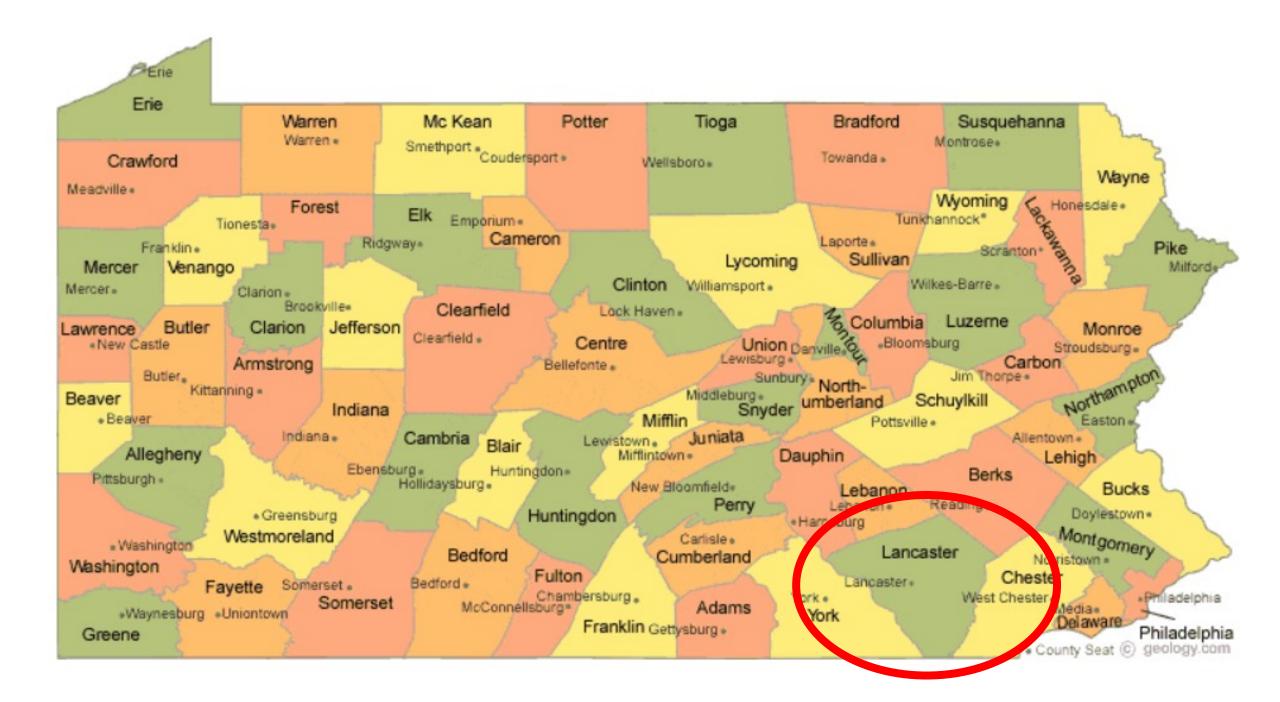
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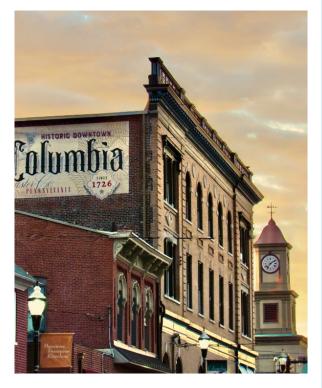






BOROUGH OF COLUMBIA

- Population 10,500
- Area About 2.4 square miles
- Originally named Wrights Ferry
- Name was changed to Columbia in the late 1700s in hopes to become the Nation's Capital.



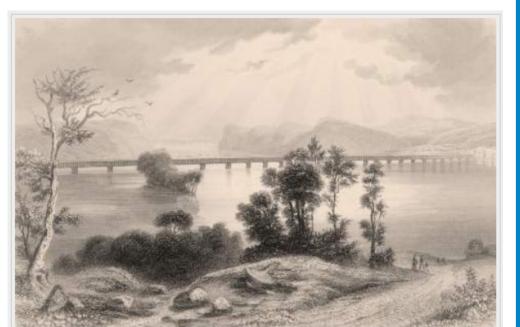






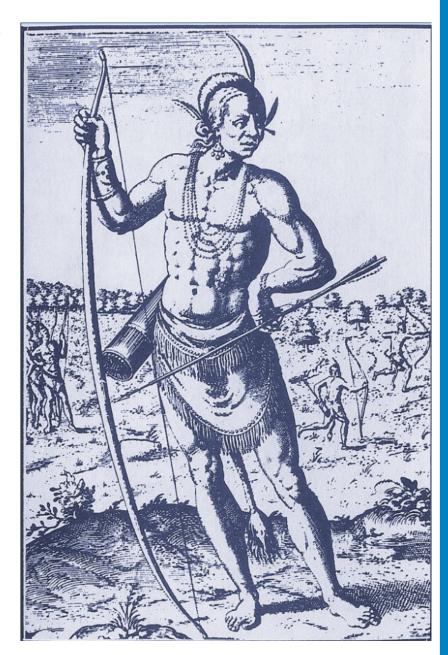






BOROUGH OF COLUMBIA

- Before there was Columbia, there was the land and the river. The combination naturally proved a draw to human settlement. Ancestors of the indigenous peoples of the Susquehannock called the Susquehanna River Valley home, from as early as 7000 B.C.
- The Borough was officially incorporated on February 25, 1814.



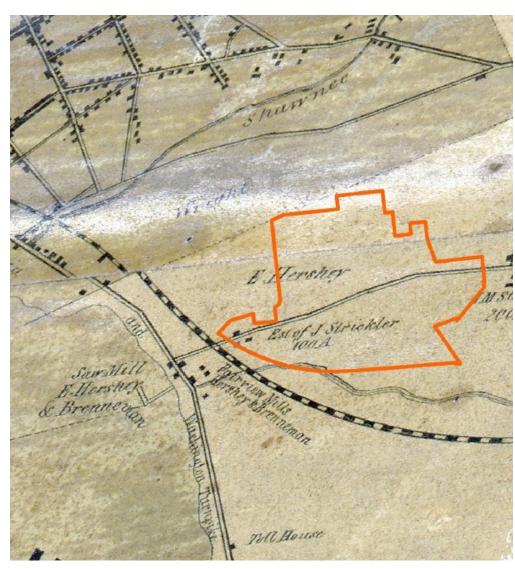


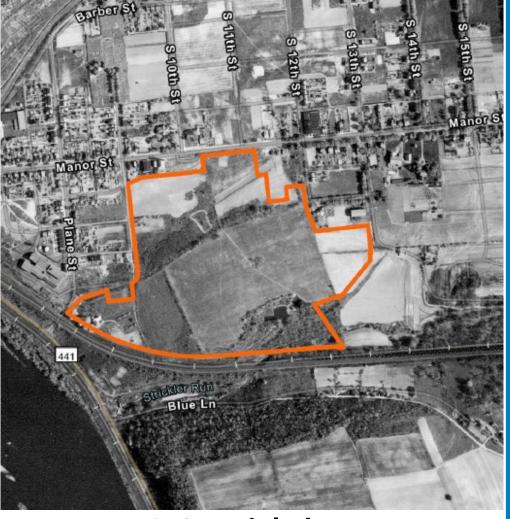






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1850 Historical Atlas (Sidney & Neff)

1940 Aerial Photo









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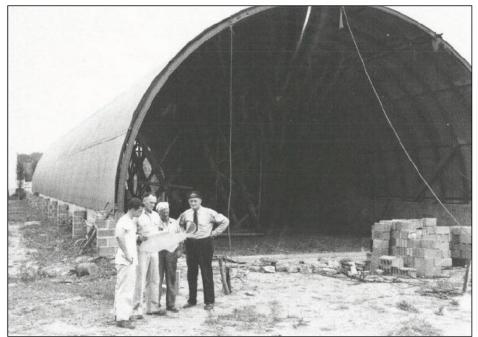
2018 Aerial Photo

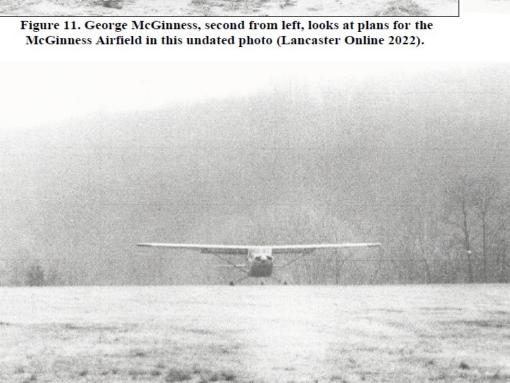




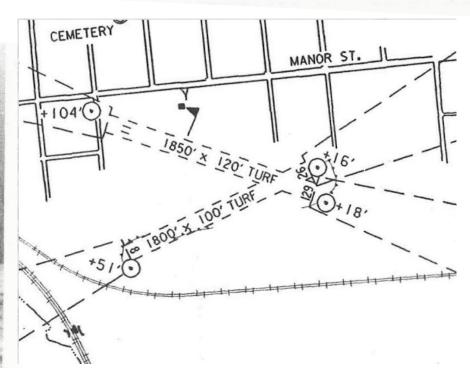










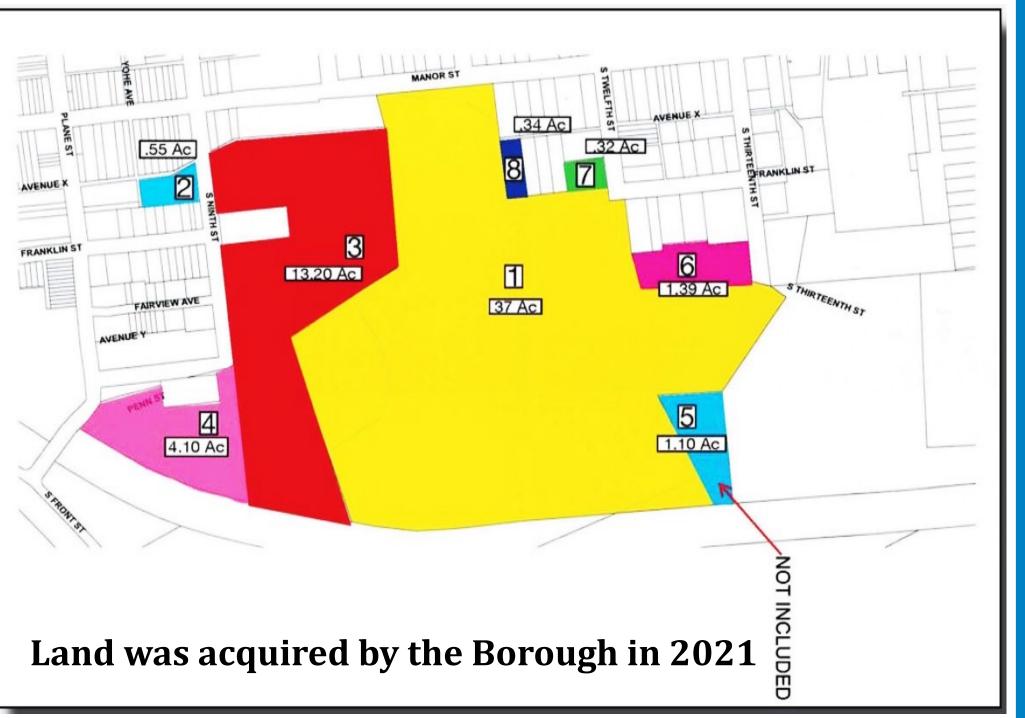




















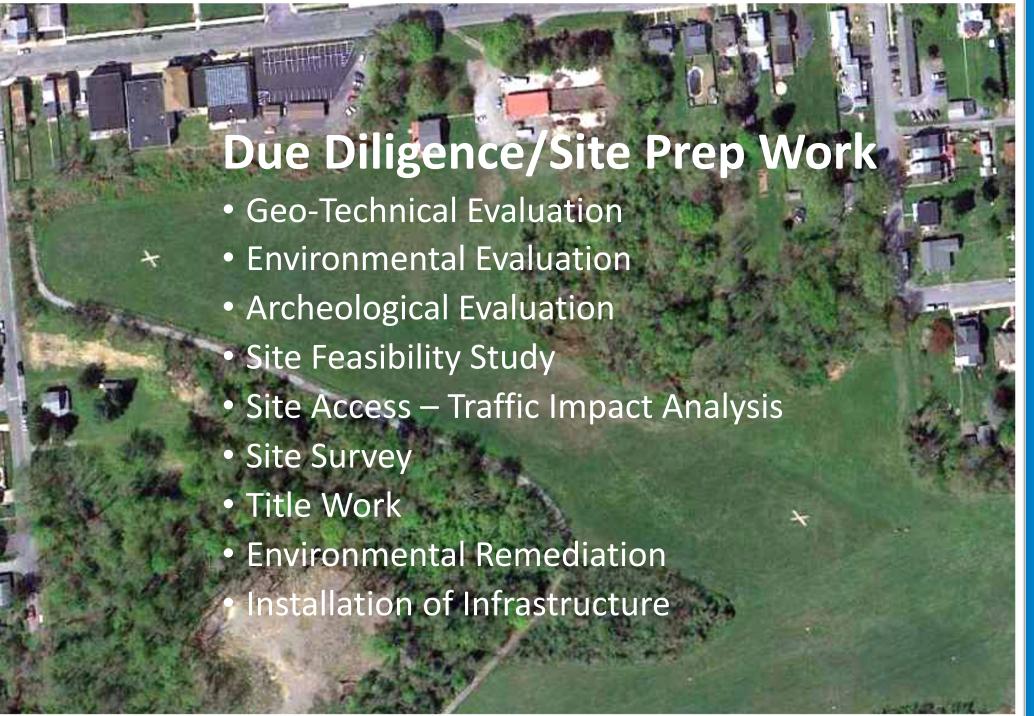




















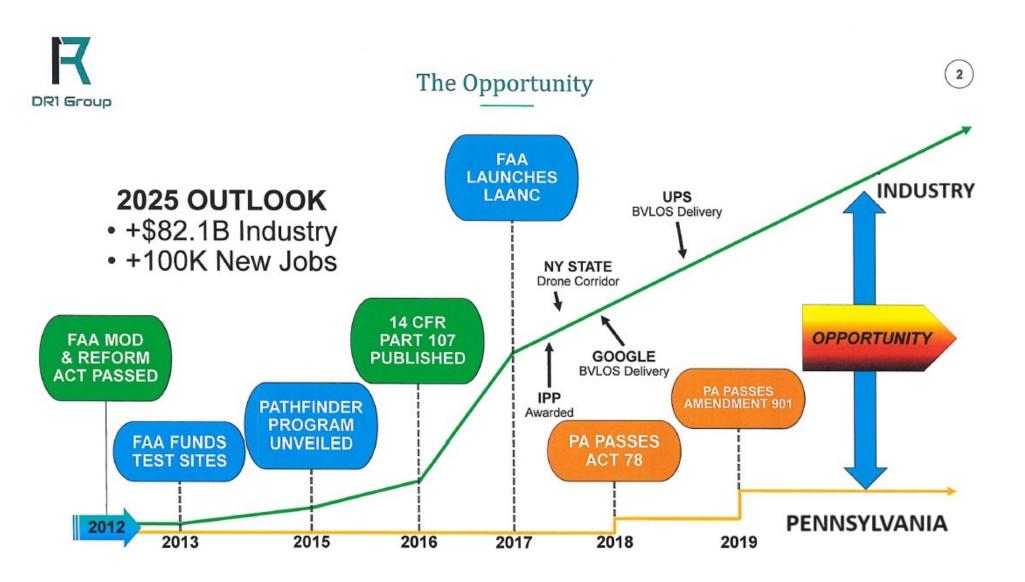






























Environmental and Geotechnical Challenges

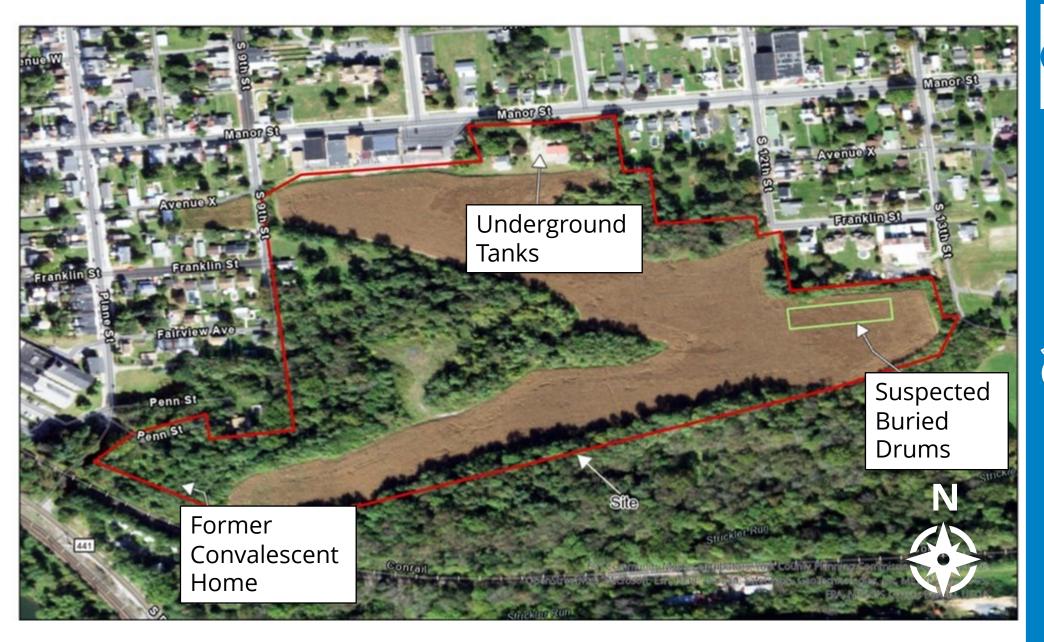
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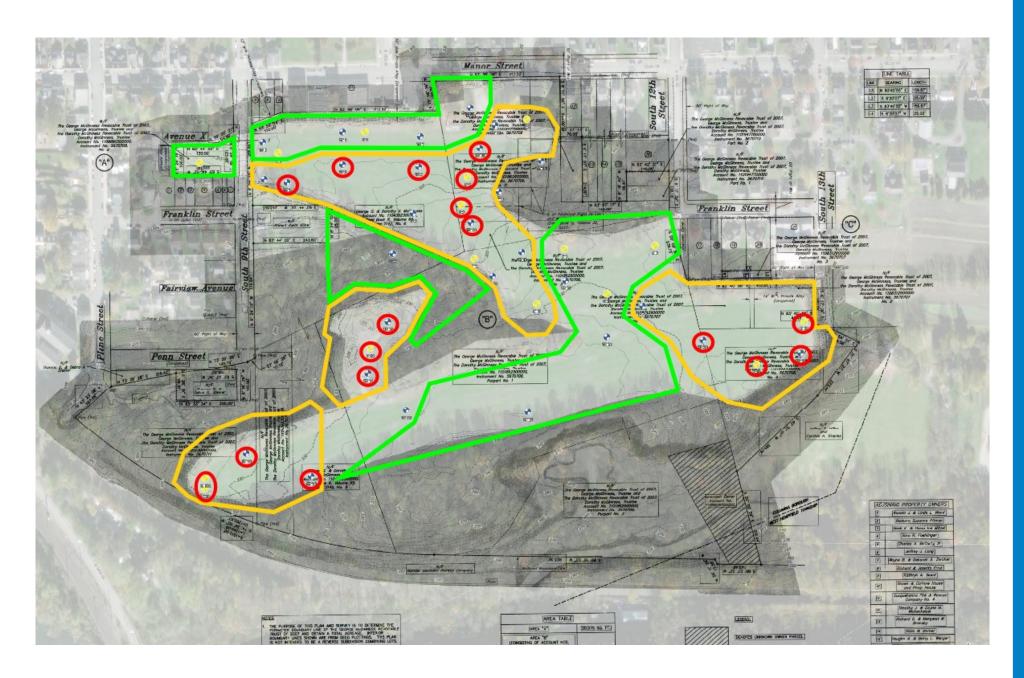








































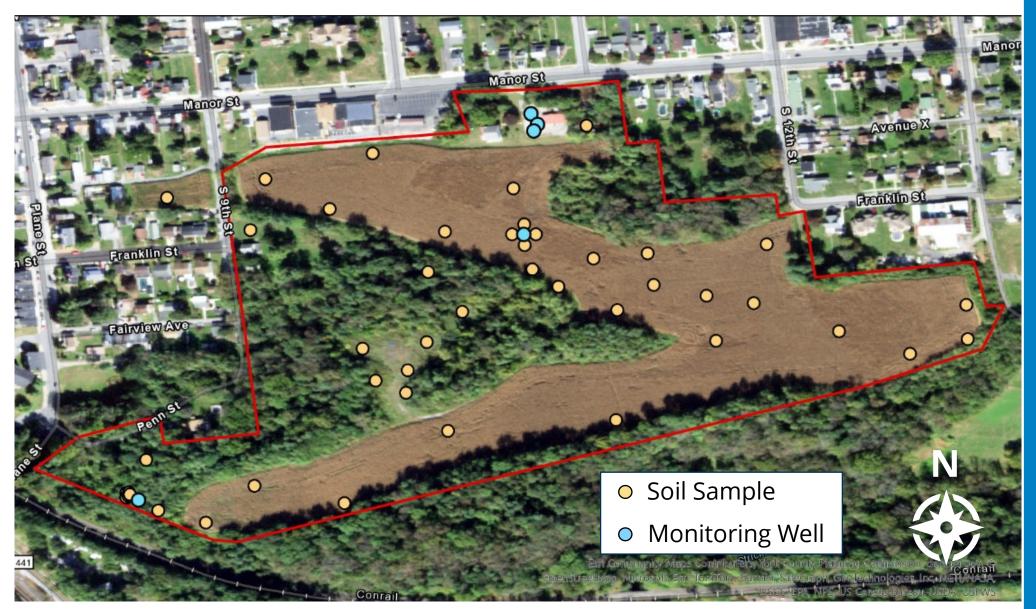




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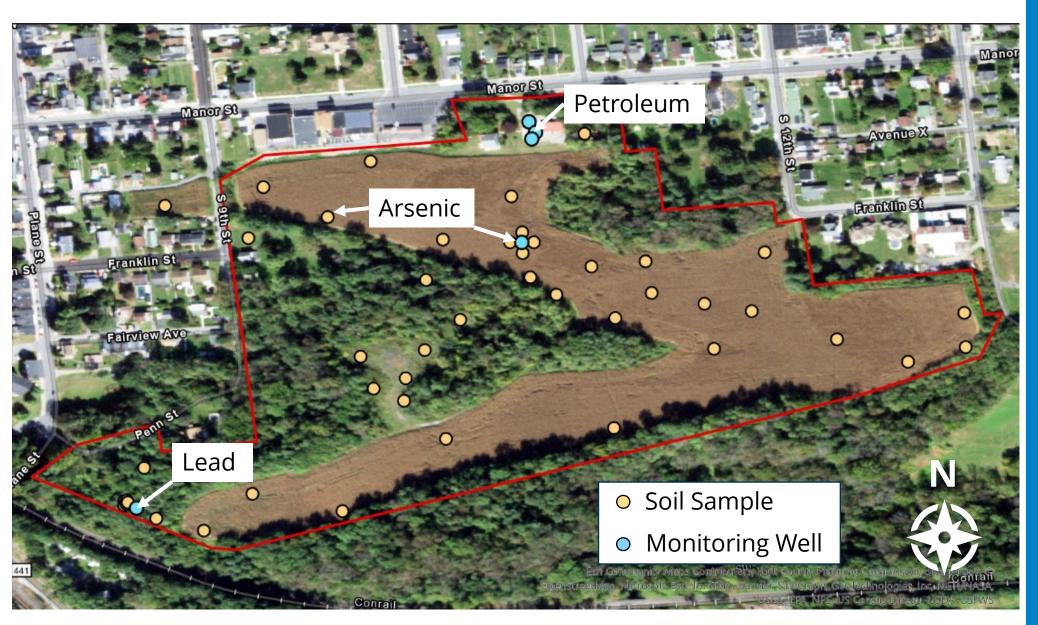




















Environmental Remediation

- Storage tank cleanup
- Voluntary remediation (Act 2 Cleanup)
 - Arsenic and lead in soil pathway elimination

Geotechnical Ground Improvement

- Planned with redevelopment
- Re-grading slopes
- "Removal-Sort-Replace" for fill soil









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Pre-Development:

 PA Economic Development & Community Development Initiatives

Program

• \$1,000,000







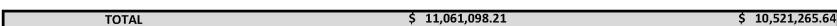




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		1	Construction	Pre-Incurred	Α	djustments for		
LAND			Quote	Costs		BIOS Project	BIG	OS Application
CODE	DESCRIPTION							
1000	LAND PURCHASE	\$	1,656,661.97	\$ 1,656,661.97	\$	(539,833.00)	\$	1,116,828.97
1100	PROJECT CIVIL ENGINEERING/PLANNING	\$	1,142,730.52	\$ 378,756.00			\$	763,974.52
	DUE DILIGENCE				\$	378,756.00	\$	378,756.00
1150	SITE MAINTENANCE	\$	2,538.57	\$ 2,539.00			\$	2,539.00
1200	LEGAL & MUNICIPAL FEES	\$	339,025.30				\$	339,025.30
LAND SUBTOTAL		\$	3,140,956.36				\$	2,601,123.79

MAIN SITE IMPROVEMENT

\$ 283,477.37
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\$ 339,491.29
\$ 1,241,105.76
\$ 1,257,134.23
\$ 515,211.92
\$ 394,043.47
\$ 96,782.59
\$ 186,027.49
\$ 757,594.59
\$ 652,343.84
\$ 441,820.87
\$ 582,692.85
\$ 10,242.15
\$ 989,614.03
\$ 172,559.40
\$ 7,920,141.85











BIOS Funding Program and Application Process

Provides grants and loans for the acquisition and development of key sites for future use by businesses, private developers, and others. Eligible costs include site purchase, environmental remediation, demolition, site work, infrastructure construction, etc.

1. Key details:

- a. Grants up to 40% of eligible project costs, max. \$4 million
- b. Loans up to 60% of eligible project costs, no max.
- c. Loans 2% interest rate. Loans will be patient no repayment until property is sold or leased or 5 years from the date of closing, whichever comes first.

2. Application window:

- a. Open until 3/31/22 with \$30-\$35 million available
- b. Approvals expected in May or July
- c. DCED/CFA expecting high demand

3. Things to know:

- a. Triggers prevailing wage
- b. Cannot be used for offsite improvements









ITEM	USES	SOURCES
Acquisition	\$1,116,829	
Construction	\$7,920,142	
Engineering	\$1,142,731	
Fees	\$341,563	
Business In our Sites GRANT		\$3,609,000
Business In Our Sites LOAN		\$5,414,000
Columbia Borough		\$1,498,265
TOTALS	\$10,521,265	\$10,521,265

Cashflow Items	
Acres for Sale	34.19
Total Development Costs/Acre	\$307,729
Break Even Cost/Acre	\$202,172
BIOS Loan Repayment/Acre	\$158,350









 Legislative support

ESTIMATED PROPERTY TAX IMPACT

PROPERTY VALUE		REAL ESTATE TAXES	
Appraised Land Value	\$5,385,000	Borough	\$252,400
Estimated Building Construction	\$35,000,000	School District	\$834,800
Common Level Ratio Adjustment	1.28	County	\$91,800
Est. Appraised Value ¹	\$31,550,000	Est. Annual Taxes ²	\$1,179,000

¹Value = Total Land and Building/Common Level Ratio



IMPACT TYPE	EMPLOYMENT	LABOR INCOME (\$)	VALUE ADDED (\$)	OUTPUT (\$)	AVERAGE ANNUAL WAGE
Direct Effect	152	\$10,279,230	\$14,251,079	\$40,733,869	\$67,626
Indirect Effect	63	\$4,614,833	\$6,461,491	\$11,844,768	\$73,313
Induced Effect	61	\$3,115,617	\$5,187,653	\$8,817,682	\$51,008
Total Effect	276	\$18,009,681	\$25,900,224	\$61,396,320	\$65,246









²Tax estimates based on 2021 millage rates

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\d .	20140	\$2,539.00
		\$5,028,030,00 \$0.00 \$2,539.00
Tota	al	\$0.00 \$0.00 \$339,025.00
	iscellaneous - Collapse ite Maintenance Edit	Remove \$346,530 \$0.00 \$378,756.00 \$378,756.00
M	Contingencies iscellan-	Remove \$0.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$175
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H	Environmental Assessment	\$0.00 \$1,241,105.00 \$378.750 \$1
	Fees	\$1,622,084,00
ge	Engineering Engineering	Remove \$1,520,062.00 \$0.00 \$339,404
g	Environmental Cleanup Related Costs - Collapse Engineering	Remove \$2,164,844 \$339,491.00 \$441,820.00
	Environment	Remove \$441,820.00 \$0.00 \$282,810.00
	Excavation/Grading	\$767,837.00
	Demolition	\$0.00 \$0.00 \$0.00

Good news...

CFA approved our project at 7/19/22

Not as good news...

State reduced our Contingency from 9.4% to 5.0% -eliminating \$643,000 of potential BIOS Funding.









Permitting & Design Process: Current Status

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1. Parameters

- A. Site's geotechnical and infrastructure/development capacities
- B. Requirement for Individual NPDES Permits
- C. Flexibility for end uses and users

2. Related Clearances

- A. PA Natural Diversity Inventory (Northern Red-Bellied Cooter)
- B. PA Historical & Museum Commission/
 State Historic Preservation Office
 (Native American Site and Resources)





























3. Phased Permitting & Development Approach

- A. Phase 1 Geotechnical Site Remediation NPDES/Erosion & Sedimentation Control Permit Initial Subdivision & Lot Consolidation Plan
- B. Phase 2 Infrastructure Improvements
 NPDES/Post-Construction Storm Water
 Management
 Subdivision Plan for Public Infrastructure
- C. Individual Subdivision, Land Development, and Post-Construction Stormwater Management Plans (for end uses and by end users)

















