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Marietta-Donnegal Joint Authority Awarded Grant to Modernize Operations

(Marietta, Pa.) — The Marietta-Donnegal Joint Authority is pleased to announce that it has been awarded a grant in the amount of \$349,650 from Lancaster County for solids handling improvements at its wastewater treatment plant. The funds will be used to replace the aging belt filter press with new technology that will enable more efficient sludge dewatering, and ultimately, better serve its customers.

The project is funded in part through an ARPA grant from the Lancaster County Board of Commissioners.

"We are thrilled to receive this grant from Lancaster County," said Steve Shireman, Chairman of the Marietta-Donnegal Joint Authority. "This funding will enable us to replace outdated equipment and improve our efficiency in managing wastewater solids. The new technology will also help us to reduce our environmental impact and improve our sustainability."

The Marietta-Donnegal Joint Authority operates a wastewater treatment plant that serves the needs of the local community. The plant receives wastewater from households and businesses in the area, and the solids that are removed from the wastewater are currently processed using the aging belt filter press. With the new technology, the Marietta-Donnegal Joint Authority will be able to manage the solids and reduce the volume of waste that needs to be disposed of more effectively.

"We are committed to providing our customers with the best possible service, and this grant will help us to do just that," added Shireman. "We are grateful for the support of Lancaster County, and we look forward to implementing these vast improvements."