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Kate Lehman, President Warm Springs Watershed Association PO Box 757 Berkeley Springs, WV 25411

Dear Kate:

Based on discussions from the August 30, 2012 meeting, with this letter Morgan County Schools joins the Warm Springs Watershed Association (WSWA) as a partner committed to helping restore, protect and preserve Warm Springs Run. We believe a multi-agency approach will help to safeguard the environment for future generations as well as to ensure the financial health of our community by reducing flooding risk to our citizens, schools, businesses and the existing infrastructure. In partnership with WSWA, we will:

- 1.) Educate our staff and students about the importance of applicable best management practices.
- 2.) Lead by example by implementing demonstration projects at our facilities, especially where these practices can be observed by the public so as to increase awareness of water quality issues.
- 3.) Utilize available staffing resources (ex: staff grant writers, maintenance personnel) to:
 - assist in obtaining funding; i.
 - maintain specifically agreed upon best management practices; and ii.
 - where appropriate, help to recruit volunteers for community activities iii. sponsored by the WSWA.

It is understood that this letter only endorses a general partnership. As we and other partners consider specific projects, the details of our partnership will be discussed and agreed upon as an essential part of our preliminary work.

As general partners, we give permission to the WSWA to include our name on their website as a supporter of our shared work as outlined in their Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan. Together we can make the Run an asset to our entire community.

Sincerely,

Superintendent