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The Honorable Andy Barr Lexington District Office 2709 Old Rosebud Rd., Suite 100 Lexington, KY 40509

Re: Support for Franklin County Farmdale Sanitation District Interceptor System

Dear Representative Barr:

I am writing in strong support of Franklin County's effort to secure funding for the Farmdale Sanitation District for construction of the Interceptor System which would eliminate six failing and overburdened package wastewater treatment plants and construct a system to convey wastewater to a pump station to direct the flow to the City of Frankfort for treatment. According to the Kentucky Division of Water (DOW) and the Franklin County Health Department, many of these plants have been issued multiple notices of violations for not meeting discharge limits and bypassing sewage straight to area waterways.

Not only would this project allow for the elimination of unsafe and unreliable systems which continually threaten the health and safety of residents and natural waterways, it would allow for future capture of other aging systems and ineffective private septic systems in the area and would make possible the extension of the system down the 127 Corridor for economic development. Franklin County is in great need of infrastructure to property for industrial and residential building. There is a very limited amount of land available for industrial development and an extreme housing shortage, both of which have not allowed the local economy to grow, despite interest in the area.

In conclusion, I fully support efforts by Franklin County as they seek to secure this funding and implement improved for the health, environmental, and economic benefit to the citizens of the Capital county and Central Kentucky. Thank you for your service and your assistance.

Sincerely,

Derrick W. Graham

State Representative, 57th District