

State recommends Daniel Boone Homestead sewer connection with township

The Daniel Boone Homestead Historic Site needs public sewer service, and state officials have determined that connecting to Amity Township's sewer system is the best option.

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At their latest meeting, the Amity supervisors discussed being contacted by officials from the Department of General Services, which oversees the state's historic sites.

DGS has determined that the homestead needs to replace its on-lot sewer system. Of three possible solutions - a new on-lot system or connections to Exeter or Amity townships' systems - connecting to Amity's sewer system near Valley Road is the most cost-effective option for the state, township officials said.

The state has not set a timetable for the project, township Manager Charles E. Lyon said Wednesday.

The township and state have already worked together on a similar project to provide water service to the homestead, he said.

The supervisors also discussed reaching out to state legislators to help move along another sewer project that has been held up with a different state department.

Plans to renovate the decades-old Blacksmith Pumping Station have been on hold because the township has been unable to acquire the necessary permits from the state Department of Environmental Protection.

The township wants to modernize the station, which would make it safer for township personnel, supervisors Chairwoman Kim McGrath said.

- By Chris Reber