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WASHINGTON, D.C. -- Congressman John P. Murtha, Chairman of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Defense, announced today that funding is in place for the Borough of Point Marion, Fayette County, waterline replacement project.

The \$2,212,000 project involves replacement and installation of waterlines, service connections, valves and hydrants throughout the Borough of Point Marion and a limited portion of Springhill Township. A 50,000 gallon water storage tank will also be constructed, and the new system will provide clean water to 527 users.

"The Point Marion waterline replacement project will ensure that families in our area have a continued safe and dependable source of drinking water," said Murtha. "Projects like these are vital components of healthy communities as well as key economic development tools."

Congressman Murtha was able to secure \$500,000 through the Army Corps of Engineers for the project. This grant funding will reduce monthly water bills for customers by helping to limit the amount of funding that must be borrowed. In addition, USDA Rural Development has approved a \$1,662,000 loan and the Pennsylvania Department of Community & Economic Development (PA DCED) has provided a \$50,000 grant.

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