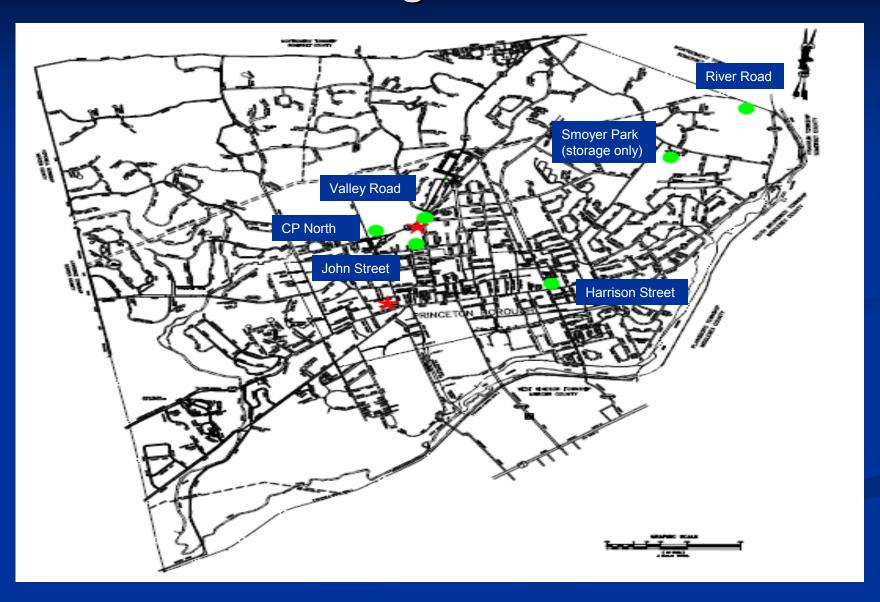
# Public Works and Sewer Operating Committee: Facility Requirements

Report to the Transition Task Force,
Princeton Township Committee and
Princeton Borough Council
June 25 and 26, 2012

# Public Works (PW) and Sewer Operating Committee (SOC) Facility Requirements

- 1. To maintain continuity of service and service levels in 2013
- 2. To improve the long term efficiency and cost effectiveness of PW and SOC operations through a five-year capital improvement plan

## **Existing Facilities**



#### 2013 Centralized Location Assignments

- John Street:
  - Parks, Trees and Open Space
  - Streets and Roads
- River Road:
  - Sanitary and Storm Sewers
- Harrison Street:
  - Police and Municipal Vehicle Maintenance
- Valley Road:
  - Large Truck and Equipment Maintenance
- Parking @ Spring Street Garage and Meter Collections
   Office in the Suzanne Patterson Center (no change)
- Public Buildings @ Monument Hall and Witherspoon Municipal Building (no change)
- PW and SOC Management in Municipal Building

#### **Trailer Relocations**

- Municipally-owned 16-person trailer moves from John Street to River Road
- 8-person rented trailer at River Road is returned to
   Williams Scotsman (rental savings = \$5,400 / year)
- Municipally-owned trailer moves from Valley Road to John Street
- Double-wide trailer is rented for John Street (rental = \$15,000 / year)

### 2013 John Street Proposal: Headquarters for Streets and Roadway Operations and Parks and Open Space

- Staff relocations result in a 25 person increase to 40
  - 3 Supervisors / Foremen, 25 FT, 4-8 PT (seasonal)
- Move Existing Trailer to River Road
- Install New Double-wide Trailer and Valley Road Trailer
- Relocate Existing Sheds
- Maintain Existing Salt Dome and Covered Storage
- Estimated Cost = \$20,000 setup cost plus trailer lease cost of \$15,000 per year



# Benefits of Consolidated John Street Operations

- Consolidated workforce
- On-site management of staff
- Effective deployment of manpower and equipment
- Rapid emergency response time
- Adequate parking for staff and visitors on-site and at adjacent John / Race parking lot
- Communication infrastructure and utilities are already in place
- Facilities are OSHA-compliant



- No change in current level of staffing
  - Foreman, 6 FT, 1 Vacancy, 2 PT (seasonal)
- Return Existing Trailer to Leasing Company
- Relocate Trailer from John Street Facility
- Estimated Cost = \$5,000 setup cost





- No change in current level of staffing
  - Lead Mechanic, 5 FT (shared with Harrison Street)
- Move Existing Trailer to John Street
- Maintain Fueling Station

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Estimated Cost = \$2,000 relocation cost

# 2013 Harrison Street Proposal: Police Vehicle Maintenance Shop



### **Limitations of Existing Sites**

- Equipment and workforce are not centralized
- Departments are divided among multiple sites
- Lack of effective communications between sites
- Inability to efficiently deploy unified workforce
- Inefficiencies associated with using multiple sites

#### **2012 Request Summary**

- In order to achieve centralized operations for the various divisions of Public Works, the following work must be completed at an estimated initial cost of \$42,000 (\$27,000 setup cost plus \$15,000 for the first year of trailer lease):
  - Relocate two municipally-owned trailers
  - Install a double-wide trailer
  - Return one leased trailer (savings of \$5,400 / year)

## Schedule of Actions to Implement 2012 Request

- June 25, 2012: Endorsement from the Transition Task Force – ENDORSED June 25, 2012
- June 26, 2012: Approval by both governing bodies to encumber previously appropriated funds for trailers
- Mid to Late July 2012: Neighborhood meeting with Birch and Leigh residents
- August 2012: Complete installation of trailers
- September December 2012: Transition staff and equipment to facilities

# River Road Site 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan



Improvement in Long Term Efficiency and Cost Effectiveness of Operations

### Why Do We Need a Long Term Capital Plan for PW and SOC Facilities?

- PW and SOC buildings and facilities are inadequate and undersized
- Shop areas cannot accommodate current vehicles and equipment
- High value equipment is being stored outside and deteriorating prematurely
- Costly outside equipment and truck repairs are incurred due to premature deterioration and inadequate maintenance facilities
- Vehicle wash facility is needed to meet NJ Clean Water Requirements
- Valley Road Garage must be removed to provide access for environmental cleanup
- Efficiencies will be realized by consolidating all Public Works activities at one location
- Existing Public Works yards are inadequate for storage of road materials (cold patch, sand, stone, pipe, etc.)
- Existing facilities are not ADA-compliant

### **Existing Condition of Buildings**









## **Existing Condition of Site**









### **Existing Condition of Trucks and Equipment**



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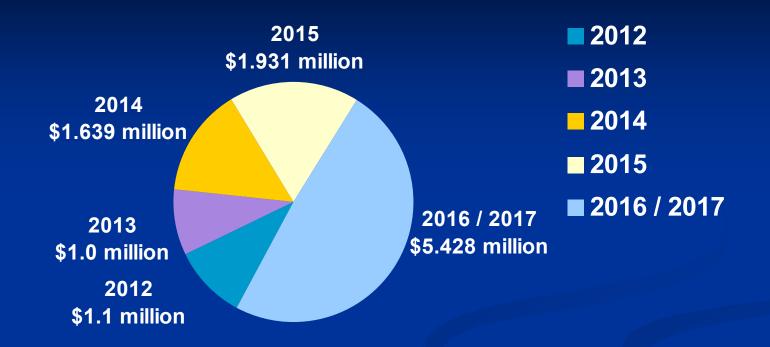


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#### 5-Year River Road CIP Highlights

- 2012 (\$1.1 million) :
  - Design and permitting of River Road facility
- **2013** (\$1 million):
  - Design and permitting
  - Site preparation
  - Unheated vehicle storage area construction
- **2014** (\$1.639 million):
  - Design and permitting
  - Emergency access construction
  - Demolition
- **2015** (\$1.930 million):
  - Site preparation
  - Fueling Station / vehicle wash construction
  - Salt and outdoor storage construction
- 2016 / 2017 (\$5.428 million):
  - Administration and Maintenance Building construction
  - Heated vehicle storage area construction
  - Site completion

#### 5-Year River Road Capital Improvement Plan



Total: \$11.098 million

\$2.7 million funding already in place

Additional Funding Required = \$8.398 million

This amount can be further reduced by the sale of John Street, Valley Road and Harrison Street properties

### June 25, 2012 Actions by TTF

- 1. TTF recommended approval to governing bodies of an expenditure of \$42,000 in 2012 to ensure continuity of service and maintain service level in 2013
- 2. TTF recommended that the governing bodies invite the PW and SOC Working Group to present a five-year capital improvement plan to improve long term efficiency and cost effectiveness

#### **Necessary Actions by Governing Bodies**

- 1. Approve expenditure of \$42,000 in 2012 for site preparation and trailer rental necessary to maintain service continuity and service level in 2013
- 2. Invite the PW and SOC Working Group to present a five-year capital improvement plan to improve long term efficiency and cost effectiveness