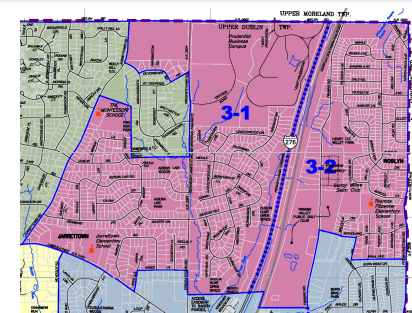




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#### Water Quality in Ward 3 & Upper Dublin

You may have heard that residents have been questioning the quality of our water supply in UD and specifically in Ward 3. There are a few important points to know about our water supply, suppliers, and quality. First, there are three water suppliers supplying water to residents in UD: North Wales Water Authority, Ambler Borough Water Department, and Aqua. Secondly, the PA Public Utilities Commission determines the territories served by these water companies. As a result of this determination from the PUC, Aqua is the water supplier for Ward 3. Thirdly, UD cannot regulate water quality. The EPA and the PA DEP regulate water quality.

With that being said, there is resident concern about the levels of some contaminants in our water supply, specifically PFOS and PFOA. These contaminants leaked into our water supply from firefighting foams used at the Willow Grove Naval Air Base. These contaminants have been found in water Aqua supplies to Ward 3. They measured 3.5-18 ppt (parts per trillion). This is well below the PA limit of 70 ppt. The limit in NJ is 14 ppt. and 20 ppt. in Vermont. Some communities have their own water authorities, like Horsham. Horsham plans to limit PFOS & PFOA in their water supply to below 1ppt or non-detectable (ND).

Follow up to the minute news releases on the UD Township Website. Also, find Ward 3 and UD residents' information sharing on the Facebook page: Upper Dublin Water Updates.

#### Environmental Protection Advisory Board (EPAB)

The Board of Commissioners have made a public motion/action to task the UD Environmental Protection Advisory Board (EPAB) to review the science of the water quality in UD. This Advisory Board will help understand the science related to water quality and to focus the township's efforts regarding water quality in UD.

#### Ft. Washington Office Park gets ZIP Ramp

UD received \$2.037 million grant from the state for a ZIP ramp that will lead from the PA Turnpike directly onto Commerce Drive. The ramp was in the works for three years and now has the funding to proceed.

#### \$250,000 Grant from the Greenways, Trails and Recreation Program

This grant from the Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA) will help fund a redesign of the roadway and construction of a paved walking and biking trail along Commerce Dr.

#### New Development at Prudential

New mixed development is proposed at the corner of Welsh and Dreshertown Rds. by BET, to include restaurants, stores, 55+ community, apartments, townhouses, and a park.



#### \$10.5 Million in Grant or Reimbursement Funds Awarded to UD since 2014

##### Breakdown:

1. Virginia Drive Pine Run Bridges Reconstructions: Over **\$3.2 million** from PennDOT
2. Virginia Drive Rapp Run Replacement: **\$400k** grants from PA Dept. of Community & Economic Dev.
3. Virginia Drive Road Diet & Trail: **\$1 million** from PennDOT Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) grant
4. Virginia Drive Cross County Trail Final Segment: **\$750k** PennDOT TAP grant
5. Commerce Drive Road Diet & Trail: **\$2.853 million** from PennDOT Multimodal Transportation Fund and **\$250k** from PA Dept. of Community & Economic Dev. just awarded
6. PA Turnpike Zip Ramp to Commerce Drive: **\$2.038 million** just awarded through CFA Multimodal Transportation Fund.

The overall projects listed above have a **Total Estimate of \$18.9 Million**. The **\$10.5 Million** grant/reimbursement program awards with the Township obligated to contribute **\$7.7 million**. The Township is pursuing additional grants from PennDOT.

**One last item:** Election Day **11/8/16**. Make sure you and your family and friends are registered to vote and go vote!

## ELECTION DAY

Election day is **Tuesday 11/8/16**  
Polls Open from **7 am to 8 pm.**



### Where to Vote

Ward 3 is divided into two voting districts, 3-1 (everything west of the Turnpike) and 3-2 (everything east of the Turnpike).



**3-1** votes at **Jarrettown United Methodist Church** on Limekiln Pike.



**3-2** votes at what was known as the Reformed Church, now **Crossroads Fellowship Church**, at the intersection of North Hills Ave., Fitzwatertown and Woodland Rds.

### Election Information

Visit my website [www.gsud3.com](http://www.gsud3.com) to find a map of our Ward to help you know where to vote.  
To register to vote and voter information go to:  
<http://www.montcopa.org/753/Voter-Services>

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## UPPER DUBLIN Township Ward 3 News

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