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Commissioners:
Steven A. Davis
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
Tuesday, June 19, 2018

County Administrator
Carri L. Brown

Fairfield County Commissioners Approves Purchase of Wellfield

Clerk
Rachel A. Elsea

Lancaster, Ohio – The Board of Fairfield County Commissioners approved today the purchase of land from Diley Farms at the corner of Allen Road and Basil Western Road in Violet Township. The purpose of the purchase is to expand wellfield production to allow the county to meet long-term water needs of customers in Violet Township.

Steve Davis, Commission President, stated, “We are excited to prepare for development of Fairfield County in Violet Township. The additional wellfield will more than double the capacity of the existing water production and will provide sufficient water for the long-term future.”

The purchase authorized today is for 85.69 acres of land at a purchase price of \$1,011,177. Payment for the property will be made through enterprise funds (non-general fund money dedicated to the operations of the Water Division of the Utilities Department).

Diley Farms determined a willingness to make a charitable contribution to Fairfield County through a “bargain sale” of the property. Closing for the property will be on June 27, 2018.

The Fairfield County Utilities department currently has a customer base of more than 6,000 customers, with three water treatment facilities producing 1.2 million gallons of water per day. The Diley Farms wellfield will result in an additional 1.5 million gallons per day.

For more information, contact Tony Vogel, Utilities Director, at tony.vogel@fairfieldcountyohio.gov or at (740) 652-7121. You may also visit <http://www.co.fairfield.oh.us/util/> for information.

By the Numbers

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| Acres Purchased | 85.69+/- |
| Purchase Price | \$1,011,177 |
| Per Acre Price | \$11,800 |
| Market Per Acre Price, Estimated | \$20,000+ |
| Utilities Customers | 6,000 |
| Water Treatment Facilities | 3 |
| Daily Water Production | 1.2 Million Gallons |
| Additional Capacity from Purchase | 1.5 Million Gallons |

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