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Information Session January 29, 2018



New High School Site Analysis



Agenda

- 1. Introductory Remarks
- 2. Timeline
- 3. Site Review
 - A. Empire Site (from 2014 Feasibility Study)
 - B. Geisinger Site
 - C. Original Pagnotti Site (from 2014 Feasibility Study)



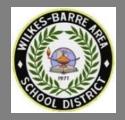
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Timeline of Events

- August 2014 Authorization of The Feasibility Study
- December of 2014 <u>Presentation of the Feasibility Study</u> at CHS
- February 2015 <u>Internal Financial Analysis</u>
- Fall of 2015 PDE Assistance through the PFM Group
- January 2016 Closed Coughlin Main Building
- January 2016 Mackin School Opens
- March 2016 Public Presentation of the PFM Report
- April 2016 District Approved Financial Plan "Pathway to The Future"
- December 2016 Zoning Hearing
 - Times Leader Building Approved
 - New High School Expansion Denied at North Washington Street
- January 2017 Board Authorized a Study of Three Additional Sites
- April 2017 <u>Public Informational Session Held on Additional Sites</u>

- May 2017 Board Authorized a More Detailed Analysis of the Pagnotti Site to Include the Following:
 - Act 17 Evaluation –Borings
 - An Environmental Phase II Study Upon Act 17 Approval
 - Peer Review of a Phase II Environmental Study
- August 2017 WBASD District Receives DEP <u>Conditional</u> Approval for Pagnotti Property through ACT 17
 - Board Authorized to Move Forward with Environmental Study Phase II
 - Board Authorized Updated Appraisals for the 80 Acre Pagnotti Site
- September 2017 Board Authorizes a Contract with the Design Team for a Building at the Pagnotti Location
- October 2017 <u>Phase II Environmental Study Completed</u>
- January 2017 <u>Third Party Review</u> is Completed on the Environmental Phase II Study (<u>Tetra Tech</u>)
- January 2018 Board Selected the Pagnotti Site as the Best Location for the New High School
- January 2018 Public Comment on Pagnotti Site;
 Distributed PlanCon C05 C10

Site Review

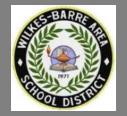


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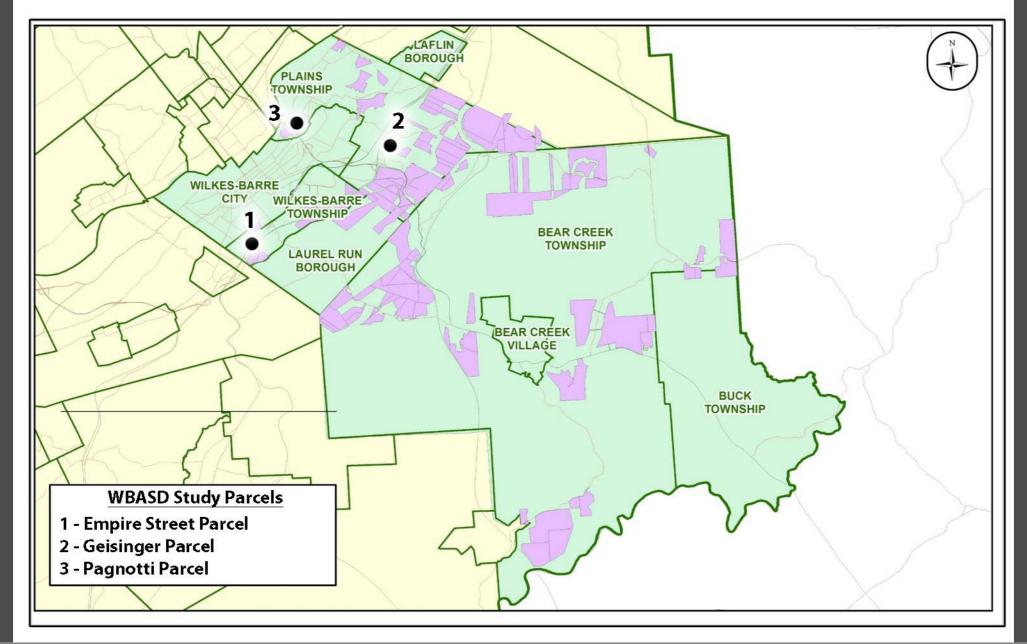
Other Sites Studied

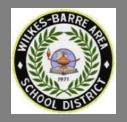
- Pagnotti Site (intersection of River & Saylor), Plains Township
- Popple Site (near Seven Tubs Nature Area), Plains Township
- Popple / DCNR Swap Site, Plains Township
- Pagnotti Site (near Kmart), WB Township





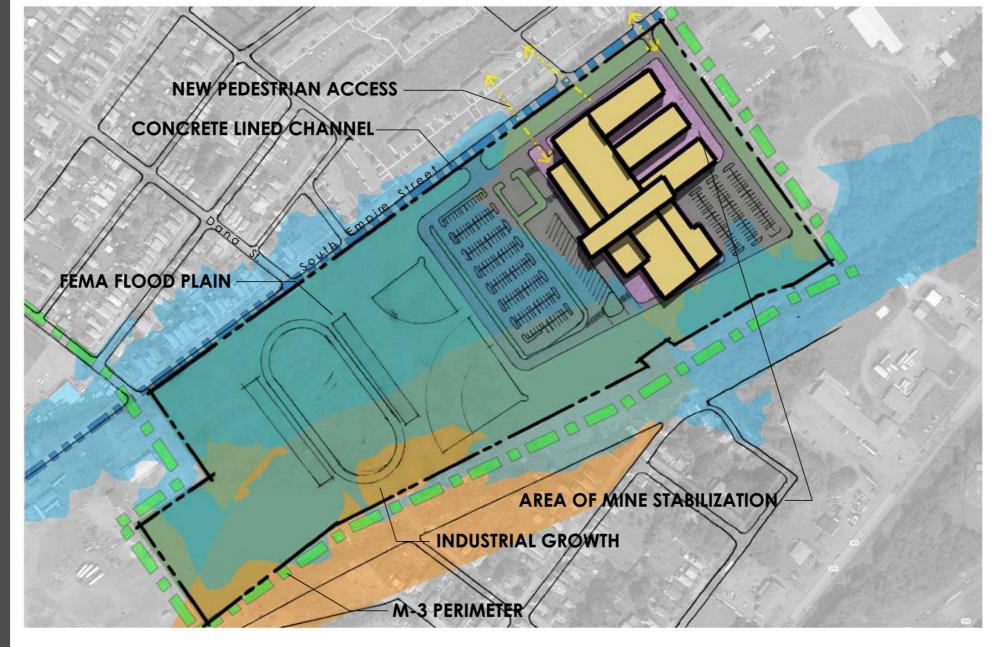






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al Pagnotti Site 2014 Feasibility Study)





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Key Criteria Comparison

Item	Empire Parcel	Geisinger Parcel	Pagnotti Parcel	Notes
PlanCon eligible	1	-	1	
Proximity to students		-		Walkers
Site size	37 acres	50 acres	78 acres	
Site slope	Relatively flat	Tiered	Relatively flat	After design
Space for stadium	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Additional Fields	3	5	7	
Site – soils / foundation	\Leftrightarrow		\Leftrightarrow	Special foundations (mining)
Site – enviro. wetlands				
Site – environmental	-			
Site – utilities adjacent				
Site – earthwork		-		
Off-site – traffic		-		
Floodplain	-			



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