

Improving the Quality of Life in Rural Ohio

## 2017 Third Quarter Report Case Study: Ohio Rural Water Association and the Village of Yellow Springs

The Village of Yellow Springs Water Distribution Superintendent, John Burns recently contacted an Ohio Rural Water Association Circuit Rider regarding assistance in developing a comprehensive unilateral flushing program for the village.

The Ohio EPA had put the village under notice that they needed this flushing program in place ASAP.

With the help of the ORWA Circuit Rider, Yellow Springs was able to meet the requirements of the EPA in a swift and timely manner.

In turn, the Village of Yellow Springs avoided fines from the Ohio EPA, and is now in compliance. The village is very grateful for the assistance provided by ORWA.

The Ohio Rural Water Association was founded in 1976, with the goal of improving the quality of life in rural Ohio. With funding primarily through membership dues and federal grants, ORWA offers free on-site technical support to water and wastewater systems, both large and small. This includes: assistance with the operation and maintenance of water and wastewater treatment plants; source water protection planning; and distribution system troubleshooting such as leak detection, smoke testing, line locating, and sewer line inspecting. ORWA also offers training opportunities on the operation, management, finance, and governance of water and wastewater utilities.

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