

Lot Surface Drainage Ordinance **Effective November 21, 2008**

The Township has adopted a new “Lot Surface Drainage Ordinance” which has the purpose of protecting against the adverse consequences of uncontrolled surface water drainage associated with land disturbances including but not limited to construction activities. If you are engaging in any of the following activities in a residential zone, a lot surface drainage permit, issued by the Township Division of Engineering is required:

- A. The addition of any impervious area that is three hundred (300) square feet or greater in size, including, but not limited to the following:
 - 1. Any addition, repair or renovation to an existing structure that involves an extension of the foundation of the existing structure by three hundred (300) square feet or greater in size; or
 - 2. Construction of a swimming pool or tennis court; or sports court; or
 - 3. Construction of a closed or impervious deck, patio, or accessory structure, three hundred (300) square feet or greater in size that impacts drainage, as determined by the Township Engineer. Open pervious decks (decks that have open spaces between the floor boards) are exempt as long as there is no re-grading or land disturbance associated with the open pervious deck construction; or,
 - 4. Construction of a driveway, three hundred (300) square feet or greater in size that impacts drainage, as determined by the Township Engineer. The replacement of an existing driveway, which does not increase the footprint of the existing driveway by more than three hundred (300) square feet is exempt; or
- B. Land disturbance or grading, except for the purposes of turf replacement where no grading is involved, of one thousand (1,000) square feet, or greater; or
- C. Placement of more than twenty (20) cubic yards of fill, excluding mulching; or
- D. Land disturbance or grading within five (5) feet of a property line that impacts drainage, as determined by the Township Engineer.