

## \$200 million in Impact Fees Disbursed Statewide

**POTTER COUNTY, Pa.** – On June 17, the Pennsylvania Utility Commission (PUC) announced over \$200 million in natural gas Impact Fee disbursements for 2019. Potter County government received \$342,619 while individual municipalities within the county received \$564,655 in total. Topping the list of municipal disbursements in Potter County are Sweden Township and Ulysses Township, receiving more than \$70,000 and \$66,000, respectively.

According to the PUC, JKLM Energy, LLC paid \$1,342,200 in Impact Fees in 2019. JKLM's total Impact Fee payments total \$5.8 million since drilling began in 2015.

The Impact Fee is a tax paid by Pennsylvania's natural gas producers on each well drilled. The fee is imposed for 15 years of a well's life. Revenues directly support communities in every county across the Commonwealth, as well as key statewide environmental and conservation programs. However, funds are distributed in a way that ensures the counties and municipalities with drilling activity receive the vast majority of Impact Fee proceeds.

Local governments are authorized to allocate funds to support a variety of needs in the community, including emergency preparedness and public safety, public infrastructure construction, environmental programs, water preservation and reclamation projects, storm water and sewer systems, housing projects, social services, judicial services, career and technical centers, planning initiatives, records management, reducing taxes, or for deposit into a capital reserve fund.

Since its inception in 2012, the Impact Fee has generated nearly \$2 billion for Pennsylvanians and nearly \$10 million for Potter County and its municipalities. A complete list of collections and disbursements can be found on the PUC's Act 13 website.