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**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Frank Whittaker, Assistant Director,  
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Business Operations Office – Administrative Services

**From:** Jonathan Holbert, P.E., Southern Emergency Engineer  
Division of Land Restoration

**Date:** July 31, 2026

**Subject:** Shrewsbury (Stephenson) Drainage E  
Emergency Reclamation Project – Kanawha County

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AML received a complaint (2026-SOU-039-129) on July 12th, 2026, concerning flooding around multiple residences in the community of Shrewsbury, WV. An Emergency AML project, Shrewsbury (Pritt) Landslide, was completed in 2022 across the road. The water runs off this project site, under Route 60, and then through an undersized drainage system adjacent to the complainants. This area was not flooding prior to the AML project. This last flood event compromised a resident's crawl space and air conditioning unit. The waters had not risen this high during the previous flood events. These flooding events pose a potential structural danger to the residences and potential drowning and/or serious, life-threatening injuries.

AML recommends completion of an emergency project to mitigate the flooding events. The project is expected to consist of temporary access, culvert installation, and revegetation. Construction costs are estimated to be \$200,000.

Professional services will be utilized to design the reclamation. New River Engineers, Inc. has been selected to perform the engineering design for the project. Professional services are not expected to exceed \$40,000.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at 304-414-1182.

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