

7/24/26 Merger Website Questions with Responses

Comments and questions are in **blue** and responses are in **red italics**.

1. In traveling through The Borough of Mars, what I most notice is some of the poor road conditions. Will you require the Borough to make improvements to their roads before Adams Township would later have to use our tax dollars to then have to make the necessary improvements. I think a merger is most beneficial to Mars Borough and their residents, and that Adams Township and their residents will be looking at more of a burden to maintain the added territory. Are State or Federal grants available?

Both municipalities currently receive a Liquid Fuels funding allocation from the State. The funds currently going to both would post-merger go to one entity. This value is calculated off lane miles and thus would not change with the merger. This source is primarily what is utilized today for paving and would continue to be utilized as one united bucket.

Mars' assets would become the Township's if the merger is passed. Another manner of funding is liquidating duplicative assets to fund infrastructure work, thus some of Mars' former assets could be utilized to make road and sidewalk upgrades. Any improvements they'd do now would simply lessen the cash asset coming over.

Yes, we will be seeking grant funding for merger related items including infrastructure and will do so moving forward for areas such as their business district.