

EDGEWATER, MD – Congressman Steny H. Hoyer (D-MD) today attended a groundbreaking at YMCA Camp Letts to celebrate the replacement of an outdated septic tank with a hook up to the Anne Arundel County waste management system at the Mayo Plant facility.

“This critical project has been the result of a collaborative effort between local, state and federal partners,” Hoyer said. “Not only does this upgrade ensure a safe and environmentally sound disposal system, it also is consistent with our overall efforts to reduce nutrient runoff in the Chesapeake Bay.”

Until now, the camp utilized a septic field and tank system donated by the National Geographic Society over 30 years ago, which began to malfunction in 2002.

Hoyer helped secure \$600,000 in federal funds for the new sewage system in the FY 2004 and 2005 Transportation-Treasury Housing and Urban Development Appropriations bills.

“This dedication is a fitting way to celebrate YMCA Camp Letts 100th anniversary,” Hoyer said. “Thousands of children from throughout the state have benefited from the Y’s programs since its inception in 1906. A stable infrastructure will help continue that impressive run.”

Other speakers at the groundbreaking included Anne Arundel County Executive Janet Owens, Stephen Pattison, Governor Robert Ehrlich’s Assistant Secretary for Policy and Community Outreach, and Maryland Delegate Virginia Clagett (Dist. 30).

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