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# Former Shelby TV anchor 'excited' about new post with Macomb County

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Megan O'Brien, formerly a five-year news anchor/reporter with the Shelby Township cable TV department, recently accepted a position with Macomb County Public Works Commissioner Anthony Marrocco as community services manager for the wastewater division.

The appointment was effective Nov. 23.

"I expect her to be an important contributor to the operations of our office," Marrocco said in a state-



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The wastewater district, formed in 1967, is the largest in Macomb County and one of the largest in the region

with a service population of approximately 650,000 residents. It consists of the cities of Fraser, Sterling Heights and Utica; the townships of

Chesterfield, Clinton, Harrison, Lenox, Macomb, Shelby and Washington; and the village of New Haven.

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# O'Brien

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The district collects sewage at 27 locations in Macomb County and sends the flow to the Oakland-Macomb Interceptor in the ITC (formerly Edison) Corridor in Sterling Heights. From there, the flow is transported to the Detroit Wastewater Plant downriver for treatment and disposal. Treatment is currently provided by the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department, due to be succeeded on Jan. 1, 2016, by the Great Lakes Water Authority.

In her new position, O'Brien will work as an administrative and informational liaison with the 12 member communities of the Macomb County Wastewater Disposal District and carry out a public communications program aimed at county residents, local officials, media and other public agencies. She replaces Mark Steenbergh, who was promoted to operations manager in the wastewater division.

"I know that my job is important to the operation of

the wastewater district and I will do my best to justify Commissioner Marrocco's confidence in me," O'Brien said.

O'Brien graduated from Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, Ill., with a degree in media production. She is an accomplished videographer and photographer and is training to become a certified court reporter. She previously worked for an ABC news affiliate in St. Louis, Miss., and for the city of Warren's cable TV department prior to joining the team at Shelby TV.

"I am very blessed for my time at Shelby Township," she said. "I worked with a great group of people, including legendary news person Phil Nye."

While she will miss working at Shelby TV, O'Brien said she looks forward to the challenges presented by her new position.

Besides her role in public communications and working with local officials, O'Brien will also represent the Public Works Office at meetings of the wastewater district and will assist in the formulation of strategic plans and capital improvement programs.