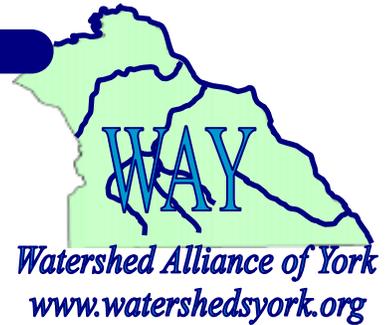


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WATERSHED CONTACTS

COUNTY PLANNING – (717) 771-9870 CONSERVATION – (717) 840-7430

- Agricultural conservation planning
- Environmentally sensitive dirt & gravel road maintenance
- Environmental stewardship and watershed protection
- Erosion & sediment control
- Stormwater complaints

24-HR EMERGENCIES – (877) 333-1904

- Chemical and oil spills from transport trucks, trains and industrial facilities

ENVIRONMENTAL – DEP-SCRO

- General Info 717-705-4700
- Director SCRO 717-705-47047
- Air Quality 717-705-4702
- Energy & Technology 717-705-4703
- Environmental Cleanup 717-705-4705
- Mining (800) 541-2050
- Radiation Protection 717-705-4704
- Waste Management 717-705-4706
- Water Supply Management 717-705-4708
- Water Management 717-705-4707
- Watershed Management 717-705-4704

FISHERIES – (800) 541-2050

- Wildlife (fish, reptiles, amphibians) nuisance problems or to report violations
- FISH KILL 1-855-347-4545

GAME & WILDLIFE – (888) 742-8001

- Wildlife (mammals or birds) to report violations or nuisance problems

ILLEGAL DUMPING

- Illegal dumping on state forest and park lands (877) 772-3673
- Illegal dumping York County 840-7687

MUNICIPAL (Phonebook Blue Pages)

- Air pollution by burning household garbage
- Dumping waste in surface waters
- Floodplain disturbances
- Municipal and residential septic/sewage problems
- Stormwater management

NOXIOUS PLANTS – (717) 772-5209

RECYCLING – (717) 845-1066

WETLANDS – (717) 249-2522

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Ag Land Preservation Board of York County – www.york-county.org/gov/AUTH/agri.htm

- For information about farmland preservation in York County contact Patty McCandless at pmccandless@york-county.org or call 717-840-7400.

Carroll Citizens for Sensible Growth - <http://carrollcitizens.com/>

- Contact: Deana Weaver at (717) 432-2211 or admin@carrollcitizens.com

Codorus Creek Watershed Association – www.codoruscreek.net

- Jan 9 – CCWA Meeting of Members and Board, 7:00 pm, at York Water Co. (Mt. Rose Ave.)
- Contact: Jim Leaman at 843-2929

Codorus Endowment Implementation Committee – www.yccf.org

- For more information, contact the York County Community Foundation at 14 West Market Street York, PA 17401-1203. Telephone: York 717.848.3733; Hanover 717.630.1843. Email: info@yccf.org

Codorus State Park – www.dcnr.state.pa.gov

Conewago Canoe Club – www.conewagocanoecub.org

- Jan 5 – Club Meeting – Mount Zion United Church of Christ, 7:00 pm, at Ridgewood Road in Pleasureville
- Questions or comments e-mail me oc1mike@comcast.net, but remember you catch more flies with honey than vinegar.

Deer Creek Watershed Association – <http://deercreekwatershed.com/>

- Contact Lee McDaniel at ldmcdaniel@aol.com.

Farm & Natural Lands Trust of York County – www.farmtrust.org

- Contact: Sean Kenny at Farm & Natural Lands Trust of York County • 156 North George Street • Suite 300 • York, PA 17401 • Phone (717) 843-4411 • Fax (717) 854-7452 or skenny@farmtrust.org

Friends of Codorus State Park – www.friends-of-codorus.org/

- For more information contact Becky Miller at 632-6747 or email beckymill1@juno.com or Dave Carbaugh at 637-9875 or email carbaugh3@embarqmail.com

Gifford Pinchot State Park – www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/parks/giffordpinchot.aspx

- Event calendar <http://www.dcnr.state.pa.us/Calendar/list.asp>
- Contact Elizabeth Kepley, Environmental Education Specialist, DCNR Bureau of State Parks/Gifford Pinchot State Park, 2200 Rosstown Road, Lewisberry, PA 17339. Phone: 717-432-5011

Gunpowder Valley Conservancy – www.gunpowderfalls.org

- How to contact us U.S. Mail: Gunpowder Valley Conservancy, P.O. Box 9733. Towson, MD 21284. Or Assistant Project Manager Rachel Streusand rstreusand@gunpowderfalls.org.

Horn Farm Center for Agricultural Education – www.hornfarmcenter.org

- Contact: Horn Farm Center for Agricultural Education, 4945 Horn Road, York, PA 17406. Phone: (717)654-0571. Email: info@hornfarmcenter.org. Web: www.hornfarmcenter.org.

Izaak Walton League York Chapter #67 – www.yorkchapter67iwla.org/

- Calendar of events – www.yorkchapter67iwla.org/id21.html
- Club Open Meetings are held the Third Tuesday of each month at 7pm in the Clubhouse.
- Contact: York Chapter #67 IWLA, 7131 Ironstone Hill Road, Dallastown, PA 17313. Club Grounds Phone: 717-428-2000 *Leave a message for the Committee Contact or Club Officer you are trying to reach. Committee Contacts & Club Officers are listed on the Club Information Page. If no phone or email address is listed contact club grounds phone number.

Lower Susquehanna Riverkeeper – www.lowersusquehannariverkeeper.org

- On December 21, 2011, we submitted an official letter on behalf of our members and 6 conservation and environmental groups to the Susquehanna River Basin Commission (SRBC), asking the Commissioners to reconvene for the purposes of completing its meeting held on December 15 and pointing out that the Commission's approval of 26 water withdrawal permits for shale gas development projects may not be legally effective because it occurred after the meeting was adjourned. The SRBC held its December 15 meeting to consider several water withdrawal applications intended primarily for natural gas operations. In response to some outspoken members of the public, the meeting was adjourned; then, after adjourning, the Commissioners proceeded to vote off the record to approve the majority of water withdrawal applications. By adjourning the meeting prematurely, the SRBC prevented the testimony of non-protesting members of the public who wished to testify on individual water withdrawal applications. We believe that by not allowing public testimony and approving water permits off-the-record, the SRBC penalized the entire public and violated its own rules and procedure. [Click here to view the complete text of the letter.](#)
- Contact: Michael Helfrich, Lower Susquehanna RIVERKEEPER®, York, PA. Cell phone: 717-779-7915 E-mail: lowsusriver@hotmail.com.

Maryland's Upper West Shore Trib Team – http://www.dnr.state.md.us/bay/tribstrat/upper_west/up_west_shore.html

- Jan 9 – Seasons Greetings to all! Our next meeting will be Mon 9th Jan @ 5:30 pm McFaul Center, Room 4, Bel Air, a week later than normal. Steve Stewart will give us an overview of Baltimore County's WIP process and outcome so far. In the meantime, Happy Holidays!
- Contact: RupertRossett, Tributary Team Coordinator, e-mail: RupertRossetti@aol.com

Mason-Dixon Trail System, Inc. - <http://www.masondixontrail.org/>

- The members of the Mason Dixon Trail System, Inc. hope that you enjoy your hikes on the trail. Volunteers from several states have constructed and are maintaining it. Our organization is aging and needs to mentor a new generation to run the organization. Unless we get some new active members we are in danger of losing the trail. Please consider helping. We need officers in the organization as well as trail maintainers. We meet four times a year at the convenience of the officers. Maintainers work at their own pace. For more information, contact James Hooper at (717) 252-3784 or Ron Gray at (717) 244-8040 or ronaldgray@comcast.net. We do need help.
- *Mar 24 - Next meeting will be in White Clay State Park, DE, details to be supplied later*
- Contact: James Hooper at 717/252-3784 or j.e.hooper@ieee.org

Mid-Atlantic Ecological Landscapes Partnership [MAEscapes] – www.maescapes.org

- May 19 – Native Plant Fest, 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM, at York County ANNEX
- Jan 30 – Advisory Board meeting, 6:30 pm, York County ANNEX
- Contact: 717-840-7408 or Connie Schmotzer at cxs51@psu.edu

Peach Bottom Concerned Citizens Group Inc. - www.pbccg.com

- Contact Maria Payan by email pbccg@hotmail.com or mail: Peach Bottom Concerned Citizens Group, P.O. Box 307 Delta, PA 17314. PBCCG, Inc is a nonprofit organization supported solely by volunteers and donations.

Prettyboy Watershed Alliance – www.prettyboywatershed.org

- Jan 14 – The Woods in Your Backyard. Are you interested in learning how to better manage the natural areas on your property or convert some lawn into natural area? If so, you are invited to participate in the upcoming “The Woods in Your Backyard Workshop” on Saturday, January 14, 2012 from 9AM to 3:00pm. Registration begins at 8:30. The class will be held at the University of Maryland Extension, Carroll County Office, 700 Agriculture Center Drive, Westminster, MD 21157. The registration fee for the entire course is \$35 per individual which includes materials, morning refreshments and lunch. Workshop participants will receive a full-color 130-page manual, The Woods in Your Backyard, as a program reference and a CD.
- Contact: Nancy Shaper at nshaper@jhmi.edu

Sierra Club – Gov. Pinchot Group of PA – <http://pennsylvania.sierraclub.org/pinchot/>

- Monthly meetings will be held the last Tuesday of the each month at 6:30 pm in the Community Room at the Giant at 2300 Linglestown Rd, Harrisburg, PA 17110. All members are welcome!
- Contact GVP Sierra Club, P.O. Box 606, Harrisburg, PA 17108-0606. GVPSierraClub@email.com

Shank's Mare Outfitters – www.shanksmare.com

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- Visit the Susquehanna House and Lock 2 Cafe
- Outdoor activities <http://www.shanksmare.com/html/activities.html>
- Shank's Mare: Call Us: 717-252-1616. Email us: Shanksmare@comcast.net

Spoutwood Farm Center for Sustainable Living – www.spoutwood.com

- Jan 28 – Board of Directors meeting and strategic planning session, 9:00 Am to 4:00 PM, in New Park
- Contact Rob & Lucy Woods at Spoutwood Farm at 717-235-6610 or spoutwood@comcast.net.

Susquehanna Gateway Heritage Area - <http://www.susquehannaheritage.org/>

- Twelfth Night Celebration – Mark your calendars for our Historic Twelfth Night celebration January 5, 2012 - Drop in from 3:30pm-7:30pm at the Zimmerman Center for Heritage, 1706 Long Level Road, Wrightsville, PA 17368. Tickets \$5 for adults, children 17 and under Free
- Contact Mark Platts, Susquehanna Heritage Corporation, 1706 Long Level Road, Wrightsville, PA 17368. Office: 717-252-0229. E-mail: info@lyhr.org.

Susquehanna Greenway Partnership – www.susquehannagreenway.org

- For more information about the Susquehanna Greenway, please contact: The Susquehanna Greenway Partnership, 201 Furnace Road, Lewisburg, PA 17837. Phone: 570-522-7211. Email: greenway@susquehannagreenway.org

Trout Unlimited Codorus Chapter #558 – www.codorustu.org

- Jan11 – Monthly Chapter Meetings 2nd Wednesday, 7:00 p.m., at Gander Mtn. (winter)
- Contact: Tom Finenze at 840-1372 or tom@codorustu.org. Cancellations due to winter weather will be announced here, and on WSBA Radio, 910 AM.

Trout Unlimited Muddy Creek Chapter #575 – <http://muddycreektu.org/>

- Jan 18 – Chapter Meeting at Collinsville Fish & Game
- Contact: Ron Heuston, President MCTU, 244-1851 or Heuy1955@aol.com

Watershed Alliance of Adams County – <http://www.adamswatersheds.org/>

- Jan 18 – Meet the 3rd Wednesday @5pm.
- Contact: Adam McClain, Ph: 717-334-0636; E-mail: stilden@adamswatersheds.org

Watershed Alliance of York – www.watershedsyork.org

- Jan 4 – Annual Meeting of WAY Board of Directors, 7:00 PM, at The York Water Company, Mt. Rose Ave., York, PA.
- GoodShop Deals for WAY - <http://www.goodsearch.com/goodshop.aspx>
- WAY E-News – Published by the Watershed Alliance of York, Inc. to inform the public about news and information that affect York County watersheds and beyond. PLEASE SHARE WITH YOUR MEMBERSHIP AND E-MAIL LIST. Contributions of news, events and information relating to watershed education, funding, planning, restoration, protection, and stewardship welcome. Send contribution to and contact us for mailing list additions/changes to the e-mail address below. Distribution: electronic (1,850). Frequency: bi-weekly. Subscription: No charge. Editor: Gary R. Peacock.
- You can make www.goodsearch.com and be sure to enter WAY as the charity you want to support.
- Contact: Watershed Alliance of York, Inc. (WAY), C/o York County Conservation District, 118 Pleasant Acres Road, York, PA 17402. Phone: (717) 840-7430. Facsimile: (717) 755-0301. E-mail: gpeacock@yorkccd.org

Yellow Breeches Watershed Association – www.ybwa.org

- Board of Directors meets quarterly at Messiah College Library-Athenaeum Room 6 PM.
- Contact: Deborah Goetz, at deborah.p.goetz@gmail.com or phone 717-697-4734

York-Adams Regional Smart Growth Coalition – www.yorkadamssmartgrowth.org

- Jan 25 – Board meets from 9:00 to 11:00 Am, at RAYAC, York
- Contact Shanna Wiest, Government Affairs Director, REALTORS Association of York & Adams Counties, Inc. 901 Smile Way York, PA 17404. Phone: (717) 843-7891. Fax: (717) 854-0720. <http://www.rayac.com>

York Audubon Society – <http://www.yorkaudubon.org/>

- Saturday, January 7, 2012 Gettysburg Battlefield Winter Wildlife Tour with licensed Battlefield guide David Weaver. Coordinator: Tish Swam, 717-235-2578. Meet in the Visitors' Center lobby at 12:45 PM. Fee required for tour. (Rain/Snow date-January 14, 2012)
- Monday, January 9, 2012 Rat Ruchlewicz, who shoots birds with a 500 mm telephoto lens on her camera, presents "The Four Seasons and Many Reasons to Visit Bombay Hook". Lutheran Memorial Church at 7:00 PM.
- Contact Tom Smith at 717-246-9767 or tjs35@psu.edu.

York County Conservation District – www.yorkccd.org

- Board meets 2nd Friday, 11:00 a.m. (December-March) and 2nd Thursday, 7:00 p.m. (Apr.-Nov.), at the York County ANNEX
- Rain Barrel Sale! Visit our website for more information and prices.
- Contact: YCCD at 717-840-7430 or yorkccd@yorkccd.org

York County Parks & Recreation – www.YorkCountyParks.org

- For more information, contact York County Department of Parks and Recreation, 400 Mundis Race Road, York PA 17406-9721. Phone: (717) 840-7440. E-mail: Parks@York-County.org. Web: www.YorkCountyParks.org. Nixon Park Nature Center, 5922 Nixon Drive • York PA 17403. Phone: (717) 428-1961. E-mail: NixonCountyPark@york-county.org.

York County Planning Commission – www.ycpc.org

- Meets 1st Tuesday at 7:30 p.m., except Wed. Nov. 1 at 7:30 and Tues. Dec. 1, 6:00 p.m., at 28 E. Market St., 2nd Floor.
- Contact YCPC at 717-771-9870 or planner@ycpc.org



WATERSHED EDUCATION & OUTREACH

Peach Bottom Power Plant Receives International Habitat Conservation Award

Employees at Exelon's [Peach Bottom Atomic Power Station](#) were recently recognized by the [Wildlife Habitat Council](#) for significant contributions to environmental conservation and wildlife habitat preservation. Peach Bottom was awarded WHC's Wildlife at Work certification for a number of innovative programs, including the establishment of an active bio-diversity team and Web site; the construction of bat habitats; installation of motion-sensor field cameras; and the creation of a butterfly garden on the 600-acre site. To date, five of Exelon Nuclear's sites have been recognized by WHC for programs that minimize impact on the environment and promote local wildlife. In addition to Peach Bottom, Oyster Creek Generating Station in Lacey Township, NJ, Limerick Generating Station in Pottstown, PA, Quad Cities Generating Station in Cordova, IL, and Clinton Power Station in Clinton, IL are also certified. The Wildlife Habitat Council is a nonprofit group of corporations, conservation organizations, and individuals dedicated to restoring and enhancing wildlife habitat. Created in 1988, WHC helps large landowners, particularly corporations, manage their unused lands in an ecologically sensitive manner for the benefit of wildlife. Since 1990, WHC has certified hundreds of programs at corporate facilities around the world through its Corporate Wildlife Habitat Certification/International Accreditation Program.

EPA Names Regional Environmental Achievement Award Winners, 5 In PA

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's mid-Atlantic region this week announced 11 winners of its annual [Environmental Achievement Awards](#), including five from Pennsylvania. "People and organizations throughout our region are making great strides in environmental protection, and these awards recognize some of the shining stars who are doing more than their share to keep our planet healthy and

inspiring others to do the same,” said Shawn M. Garvin, regional administrator for EPA’s mid-Atlantic region. The Mid-Atlantic Environmental Achievement Awards recognize groups, agencies, individuals and businesses making extraordinary contributions to improving the environment in the mid-Atlantic region, which includes Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia and the District of Columbia. The winning entries were selected from among more than 30 nominations. The Pennsylvania award winner from York County is:

- **Carroll Citizens for Sensible Growth**, a non-profit group in Northern York County, Pa. By recruiting volunteers to pick up trash and by organizing trash collection events, [Carroll Citizens for Sensible Growth](#) has collected nearly 130,000 tons of debris and recycled 75 tons of scrap metal. The group has rallied more than 460 people, contributing more than 2,000 volunteer hours to clean up neighborhoods in Carroll Township.

Governor Corbett announces \$31.5 million investment in recreation, conservation, community revitalization projects statewide

Governor Tom Corbett on Dec. 15 announced an investment of \$31.5 million for 218 conservation and recreation projects designed to protect natural resources and revitalize communities across the state. “The health and vitality of our communities is reflected in the quality of their parks and trails, access to rivers, open spaces and opportunities to be active outdoors,” Gov. Corbett said. “Through these grants, we’re able to fund hundreds of projects to help conserve and enhance our natural assets.” Corbett, joined by DCNR Secretary Rick Allan and Rep. Mike Vereb, said these investments include a \$202,000 grant to Montgomery County for improvements to Upper Schuylkill Valley Park. Read more... <http://www.dcnr.state.pa.us/default.aspx?curl=%2fnews%2fresource%2fres2011%2f11-1221-c2p2grants.aspx>

SGHA Receives Community Conservation Partnerships Program Grant

On Wednesday December 14, Governor Tom Corbett announced the award of \$31.5 million in Community Conservation Partnerships Program Grants for 218 heritage, conservation and recreation projects across the state. The Susquehanna Gateway Heritage Area's (SGHA) request for \$250,000 to support their work in the Heritage Area and along the Susquehanna River corridor was included in the approved grants, which are administered by the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR). The DCNR grant will help SGHA provide local communities with heritage and conservation services, fund public access improvements at the Zimmerman Center for Heritage, and finance a new mini-grant program for projects with public and non-profit partners along the river. [Click here to read the full Press Release.](#)

Students Share Their Bright Ideas With PPL Electric Utilities

With nearly 3,000 entries from more than 100 Pennsylvania communities, students had a lot of bright ideas about energy savings for the inaugural [Bright Ideas Energy Efficiency Poster Contest](#). The contest focused on raising awareness among students, teachers and families of the small changes they can make that can have a big impact on their energy savings. It was developed by PPL Electric Utilities and implemented in schools with assistance from the National Energy Foundation as part of PPL's Earth Day activities in April. The contest was open to students in kindergarten through eighth grade within PPL Electric Utilities' 29-county service area. A panel of judges selected winners in three grade categories: K-2, 3-5 and 6-8. The winners of the Bright Ideas 2011 Energy Efficiency Poster Contest from York County is:

- **Grades K-2** – Kindergarten: Khristian Banks, Mountain Top, Fairview Elementary School

Grand-prize winners in each category received a \$500 savings bond and a congratulatory plaque. In addition, the teachers of grand-prize winners in each category received a \$500 classroom grant. The three finalists in each category received a \$200 savings bond and a congratulatory plaque. Additionally, each winning poster will be framed and included in a traveling art exhibit used to educate the public about energy efficiency. For more information, visit the PPL [Bright Ideas 2011 Energy Efficiency Poster Contest](#) webpage.

York County Receives Grant For Integrated Water Resources Plan

The Department of Environmental Protection Wednesday announced it is awarding a \$35,000 grant to fund a project in York County that will help integrate water resource planning activities and streamline permitting processes related to water resources management. The project, developed by the York County Planning Commission, will “web enable” the [York County Integrated Water Resources Plan](#). They will also make it available as a model and template to all Pennsylvania counties. The York County IWRP offers a variety of tools for users to understand the interconnection of water-related components that are critical to project implementation, including regulations; studies; plans; and their relationship to environmental resource management; land use; citizen health and safety; and other important topics. Specifically, the flow chart component provides a step-by-step guide for public or private entities implementing activities such as the placement of stormwater controls or the design and planning of large construction projects. The IWRP helps provide information on project needs from beginning to end, while ensuring that necessary plans are referenced; appropriate agencies are contacted; pertinent issues are considered; and that the applicant applies for all required permits. Education and outreach are important components of the plan and will be provided to get as many as five counties up and running by the end of 2012. The York County Planning Commission will train interested counties in using the IWRP and can be reached at 717-771-9870 or [through their website](#).

Spotlight- Student Intern Persuades Landowners To Protect Conewago Watershed

Justin Kauffman let his love of hunting, fishing and the outdoors guide him to the right Penn State major and to a meaningful internship helping to protect natural resources. The York, Pa., native graduated from the College of Agricultural Sciences in December with a degree in Environmental Resource Management and a minor in Watersheds and Water Resources. He interned with the [Conewago Creek Initiative](#), a collaboration between Penn State Extension and environmental groups aimed at improving water quality in the Conewago Creek watershed. Its goal is to engage local residents and landowners to increase awareness of water-quality issues and encourage adoption of land-management practices that will improve water quality of local streams. That ensures healthy farms, forests and communities, Kauffman said, protecting and maintaining quality of life. And because Conewago Creek is a tributary of the Susquehanna River and the Chesapeake Bay, the initiative could provide solutions for improving water quality downstream as well. Kauffman previously had interned with a stream-restoration firm and with the Codorus Creek Improvement Partnership, a nonprofit watershed group, in York County. He worked under the director of the Conewago Creek Initiative on projects in the watershed, which spans Lancaster, Lebanon and Dauphin counties. His responsibilities included everything from project development and management to scheduling meetings and events.

Major Environmental Legislative Issues In 2012, Same As 2011

Following his 12 minute inaugural address last January, Gov. Corbett did not start his administration with the usual laundry list of "to-dos" like most Governors. He only had one-- bring in an on-time budget without raising taxes. He accomplished that goal with the help of his Republican

colleagues in the Senate and House literally at the 11th hour in June 30 with very painful cuts reducing the size of state government by 4.1 percent. The new FY 2011-12 budget preserved the disastrous Rendell cuts to environmental programs, but at least didn't make too many more. The bright spots were the Resource Enhancement and Protection (REAP) Farm Conservation Tax Credit Program, which was restored to its full \$10 million in funding, and a transfer of \$15 million from the PA Infrastructure Investment Authority to the H2O Water Infrastructure Program administered by the Commonwealth Financing Authority. After the budget, Marcellus Shale legislation was the top environmental priority for the year, which ultimately did not make it to the Governor's desk and is now in conference committee. Almost all of the same environmental issues will be returning in 2012 to face the Corbett Administration and the General Assembly.

Renew Growing Greener

2011 ended as it began—without a plan to renew funding for the award-winning Growing Greener Program. “Pennsylvania faces the imminent end of Growing Greener – a popular initiative that has provided investments in farmland preservation, conservation of open space, restoring and protecting Pennsylvania’s streams and rivers, improving and expanding state and local parks, preserving historic resources, and developing new trails and greenways. Unless action is taken in the near future, funds available for Growing Greener will be all but gone within a year,” said Andrew Heath, Executive Director of the [Renew Growing Greener Coalition](#). Even with such a comprehensive record of success, the Commonwealth continues to face a variety of pressing problems that threaten our communities, our rich natural and cultural heritage, and our quality of life:

- Pennsylvania is losing three times as much forest, wildlife habitat, farmland and other open spaces to development as we are able to conserve;
- The Commonwealth currently has 16,000 miles of streams that are unsafe for fishing or swimming;
- Abandoned mines scar almost 190,000 acres in 44 counties and are the cause of over 5,000 miles of dead streams; and
- More than 2,000 family farms remain on a statewide waiting list requesting protection from encroaching development so that they may continue Pennsylvania’s rich agricultural legacy.

Nearly 350 supporting organizations and local governments representing over 7 million people are part of the Renew Growing Greener Coalition

Paying For Flood Damages

Hurricane Irene and Tropical Storm Lee roared through Pennsylvania causing hundreds of millions of dollars in property damage and at least seven deaths in September. It also caused yet another budget problem for the Commonwealth because the state is responsible for paying 25 percent of at least the public infrastructure cost of [Federal Disaster Assistance](#) in the 27 counties declared a disaster area. In November the Senate passed a package of eight flood recovery bills sponsored by Senators John Gordner (R-Columbia), Gene Yaw (R-Bradford), Lisa Baker (R-Luzerne), John Blake (D-Lackawanna) and John Yudichak (D-Luzerne). The bills included:

- [Senate Bill 1264](#) (Baker-R-Luzerne) enacting the Flood Relief Act for September 2011 making an appropriation of \$20 million for individual assistance;
- [Senate Bill 1266](#) (Gordner-R-Columbia) authorizing the incurring of \$150 million in debt to fund flood damage recovery projects;
- [Senate Bill 1267](#) (Blake-D-Lackawanna) authorizing real estate tax abatement as a result of Hurricane Irene and Tropical Storm Lee;
- [Senate Bill 1268](#) (Gordner-R-Columbia) authorizing the incurring of debt to repair flood damaged highways;
- [Senate Bill 1269](#) (Yaw-R-Bradford) adoption of capital projects to repair or replace flood damaged highways and bridges;
- [Senate Bill 1271](#) (Yudichak-D-Luzerne) an itemized list of flood damaged highway and bridge repair projects;
- [Senate Bill 1297](#) (Baker-R-Luzerne) establishing a \$10 million Small Business Flood Relief Program of 2011; and
- [Senate Bill 1323](#) (Yaw-R-Bradford) establishing the Agriculture Disaster Recovery Program to provide disaster assistance to agricultural operations.

The House has yet to act on any specific flood recovery legislation.

Status Of Some Individual Environmental Bills

During 2011, the Senate and House each passed a number of environmental bills dealing with a variety of issues and sent them to the other chamber. Here's a quick rundown on some of those bills—

- **Now In Senate**
 - **Marcellus Shale:** [Senate Bill 1100](#) (Scarnati-R-Jefferson) would impose additional environmental protection measures on Marcellus Shale drilling and enact a uniform, statewide drilling fee. The bill is in the House Finance Committee. A now identical bill, [House Bill 1950](#) (Ellis-R-Butler) was sent on its way to a conference committee by the House just before adjourning in December. A summary and [Senate Fiscal Note](#) are available.
 - **Infrastructure Replacement:** [House Bill 1294](#) (Godshall-R-Montgomery) authorizing the PUC to establish a distribution system improvement charge (DSIC) as an alternative to regular rate cases to recover costs associated with replacing pipelines and other utility infrastructure was passed by the House in October. The bill is in the Senate Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure Committee. A summary and [House Fiscal Note](#) are available.
 - **Biofuels:** [House Bill 807](#) (Sonney-R-Erie) adding additional measures to enforce the biodiesel mandate is in the Senate Environmental Resources and Energy Committee. A summary and [House Fiscal Note](#) are available.
 - **Small Business Relief:** [House Bill 1349](#) (Pickett-R-Susquehanna) requiring the review of regulations for their impact on small businesses and granting pre-enforcement review of regulations by small businesses aggrieved parties is in the Senate Appropriations Committee. A summary and [House Fiscal Note](#) are available.
 - **Engineers/Geologists:** [House Bill 1054](#) (Mustio-R-Allegheny) amending the Engineer, Surveyor and Geologists Registration Law further providing for continued professional competency requirements is in the Senate Appropriations Committee. A summary and [House Fiscal Note](#) are available.
 - **Leaf Waste:** [House Bill 1691](#) (Godshall-R-Montgomery) further dealing with leaf waste under Act 101 is in the Senate Environmental Resources and Energy Committee. A summary and [House Fiscal Note](#) are available.

- **Conservation Corps:** [House Bill 1683](#) (Culver-R-Northumberland) transferring the PA Conservation Corps Program from the Department of Labor and Industry to the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources was Tabled in the Senate. A summary and [Senate Fiscal Note](#) are available.
- **DEP Fund Reporting:** [House Bill 1416](#) (Evankovich-R-Armstrong) requiring additional reports on expenditures from the Clean Water, Solid Waste Abatement and Clean Air Fund administered by DEP is in the Senate Environmental Resources and Energy Committee. A summary and [House Fiscal Note](#) are available.
- **Now In House**
 - **Trail Liability:** [Senate Bill 469](#) (Argall-R-Schuylkill) allows walking, jogging, bicycling, exercising and horseback riding on nature trails as a recreational purpose by limiting liability is in the House Tourism and Recreational Development Committee. (Geist-R-Blair)– is on the House Calendar for action.

Environmental Bills Signed Into Law In 2011

The following bills related to environmental funding and programs or resolutions requiring action were signed into law or adopted during 2011:

- **General Fund:** [House Bill 1485](#) (Adolph-R-Delaware)– which contains \$27.1 billion in spending and a 4.1 percent reduction from the FY 2010-11 General Fund budget. It was signed into law by the Governor and is now Act 1A. A summary and [House Fiscal Note](#) and [Senate Fiscal Note](#) are available.
- **Fiscal Code:** [Senate Bill 907](#) (Browne-R-Lehigh) the Fiscal Code was signed into law by the Governor and is now Act 26. A summary and [House Fiscal Note](#) are available. The bill includes provisions related to: Filing returns for certain sales and use taxes; Neighborhood Improvement Zone Fund; Financially Distressed Municipalities; Creating a new Keystone Special Development Zone; Vocational Rehabilitation Fund applications; Tobacco Settlement Fund deposits; Transfer from PennVEST to H2O Water Infrastructure Program; and Audits of Race Horse Development Fund.
- **Ag Security Areas:** [House Bill 562](#) (Cillen-R-Berks) further providing for the purchase of conservation easements under the Agricultural Area Security Law was signed into law by the Governor and is now Act 44. A summary and [Senate Fiscal Note](#) are available.
- **Recreation Liability:** [House Bill 870](#) (Everett-R-Lycoming) further providing for recreation liability for opening land to recreational noncommercial aircraft operations was signed into law by the Governor and is now Act 47. A summary and [House Fiscal Note](#) are available.
- **Air Penalties:** [Senate Bill 151](#) (Pileggi-R-Delaware) sharing Air Pollution Control Act fines with municipalities was signed into law by the Governor and is now Act 57. A summary and [House Fiscal Note](#) are available.
- **Acceptable Data:** [Senate Bill 263](#) (Erickson-R-Delaware) requiring data to support rulemakings was signed into law by the Governor and is now Act 60. A summary and [Senate Fiscal Note](#) are available.
- **Keystone Fund Report:** [Senate Bill 302](#) (MJ White-R-Venango) further providing for annual reports from the Keystone Recreation, Park and Conservation Fund was signed into law by the Governor and is now Act 61. A summary and [Senate Fiscal Note](#) are available.
- **Water Trails:** [Senate Resolution 143](#) (Pippy-R-Allegheny) directing the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee to conduct an economic impact study of water trails in the Commonwealth was adopted by the Senate.

The Water Resources Site - Video Segments

The Water Resources website is a great resource for timely and easy to use information on a variety of water-related issues. Topics under [Water Conservation](#) begin with *Why Conserve Water?*, which offers information on the importance of water conservation and offers tips on reducing your water usage. Specific recommendations are offered in *Saving Water in the Home* and *Saving Water Outside the Home*. *Benefits from Water Conservation* brings home the message, “saving water saves energy which saves money.” Online at http://extension.psu.edu/water/discovery-watersheds/newsletter/news/2011/the-water-resources-site-video-segments?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+agsci-water-watershedwinds+%28Penn+State+Watershed+Winds+Newsletter%29



WATERSHED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

NARA And EPA Launch Documerica-Inspired Student Multimedia Contest - Jan 6

The National Archives in collaboration with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Tuesday announced the launch of a student multimedia contest, “[Document Your Environment](#).” Drawing inspiration from a collection of environmental photos from the 1970s, this contest invites students ages 13 to 18 college and graduate students to create any type of graphic art, a short video, or a poem using a Documerica photo as a prompt. The grand prize for this contest will be \$500, courtesy of the Foundation for the National Archives. Entries will be accepted from November 1 to January 6. [View contest details online](#). Finalists and the grand prize winner will be announced in February 2012. Finalists may be featured in an upcoming exhibit at the National Archives and a traveling exhibit with the EPA. “Document Your Environment” contest categories are:

- **Graphic Art:** This category covers any type of graphic art, including scans of paintings, photos, cartoons, photo mash-ups, etc. All entries must be sent as .jpgs, and high resolution (300 dpi) copies must be available.
- **Video:** This category can include documentary-like videos and more artistic approaches to the contest. All entries must be less than two minutes in length. Videos must be uploaded to YouTube and entered into the contest with a link to the video.
- **Poetry:** Any form of poetry is accepted in this category, but there is a 300 word limit to each entry. Poems must be submitted in either a PDF or Word doc format.

Contest judges include: Graphic Art category, former Documerica photographer and graphic artist Michael Philip Manheim; video category, Cokie Roberts, author and news analyst for National Public Radio and ABC News; and Poetry category, Sandra Alcosser, the first Poet Laureate of Montana and professor of poetry at San Diego State University. Of the nine finalists, one grand prize winner will be chosen by the Archivist of the United States, David S. Ferriero. The winning photos may also be featured, along with the National Archives "Document Your

Environment" winners, in an upcoming exhibit at the National Archives and a traveling exhibit with the EPA. For all the details and to submit entries, visit EPA's "[Document Your Environment](#)" webpage.

NRCS Farm Conservation Stewardship Program Sign-Ups – Jan 13

The cutoff date for farmers to apply to participate in the 2012 sign-up for the Natural Resources Conservation Service [Conservation Stewardship Program](#) is January 13. The NRCS has given indications the deadline may be extended, but at this point in time the extension cannot be assured so farmers interested in participating are advised to get their short, two page application form turned-in by January 13. The CSP is a working lands conservation program available on a nationwide basis. CSP offers technical and financial assistance to farmers and ranchers for adopting and maintaining high standards of resource conservation and environmental stewardship. Assistance is geared to both the active management of existing conservation systems and for implementing new conservation activities on land in agricultural production.

Eligible lands include cropland, grassland, prairie land, improved pastureland, rangeland, non-industrial private forest lands, and agricultural land under tribal jurisdiction. Applicants must demonstrate they have effective control over these lands to be eligible, either through ownership or reasonably secure leases. Producers wanting more detailed information may want to review NSAC's Farmers' Guide to the Conservation Stewardship Program available [for free download](#). The Guide provides clear information on conservation activities eligible for CSP payments to improve conservation performance and environmental benefits. It also includes step-by-step enrollment guidance, key definitions, and helpful hints. A new five-page section of the Guide provides data on the program's first two sign-up periods in 2009 and 2010.

This data section includes analysis of program participation by geographic region, land use type, commodity type, and the top conservation practices and enhancements chosen by farmers and ranchers who have enrolled in the program. For more information, visit the [National Sustainable Agriculture Coalition](#) website.

EPA Invites Applications For Nearly \$2 Million To Revitalize Urban Waters – Jan 23

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Wednesday announced it is now accepting applications for up to \$1.8 million for projects across the country to protect Americans' health and help restore urban waters by improving water quality and supporting community revitalization.

Proposals must be submitted by January 23. The funding is part of [EPA's Urban Waters program](#), which supports communities in their efforts to access, improve and benefit from their urban waters and the surrounding land. Urban waters are canals, rivers, lakes, wetlands, aquifers, estuaries, bays and oceans. Many urban waterways have been polluted for years by sewage, runoff from city streets and contamination from abandoned industrial facilities. Healthy and accessible urban waters can help grow local businesses and enhance educational, recreational, employment and social opportunities in nearby communities. By promoting public access to urban waterways, EPA will help communities become active participants in restoration and protection. The goal of EPA's urban waters small grants is to fund projects, training and research that will advance restoration of urban waters by improving water quality and community access. These activities will also support community revitalization and improving public health, social and economic opportunities, general livability and environmental justice for residents. Examples of projects eligible for funding may include:

- Education and training for water quality improvement or green infrastructure jobs;
- Public education about ways to reduce water pollution;
- Local water quality monitoring programs;
- Engaging diverse stakeholders to develop local watershed plans; and
- Innovative projects that promote local water quality and community revitalization goals

EPA will hold two web-based seminars on this funding opportunity on December 14, 2011 and January 5, 2012. EPA expects to award the grants in summer 2012. EPA's Urban Waters program supports the goals and principles of the Urban Waters Federal Partnership, a partnership of 11 federal agencies working to reconnect urban communities with their waterways by improving coordination among federal agencies and collaborating with community-led revitalization efforts to improve the nation's water systems and promote their economic, environmental and social benefits. The Urban Waters Federal Partnership closely aligns with and advances the work of the White House's place-based efforts, including the Partnership for Sustainable Communities, to revitalize communities, create jobs and improve the quality of life in cities and towns across the nation. The Urban Waters Federal Partnership also advances the work of President Obama's America's Great Outdoors Initiative. For more information and to register for the webinars, visit EPA's [Urban Waters Program](#) webpage. Program information is available on the EPA [Urban Waters Federal Partnership](#) webpage.

Governor's Environmental Excellence Award Applications Due – Jan 30

The Department of Environmental Protection is encouraging environmentally-conscious businesses and organizations to apply for the 2012 [Governor's Environmental Excellence Award](#). Applications are due January 30. The award is open to any Pennsylvania business, government agency, educational institution, individual or farm that has created or participated in the development of a project that promotes environmental stewardship and economic development in the state. Eligible projects include environmental technology innovation, clean energy innovation, pollution prevention and resource efficiency, community revitalization, environmental education or outreach, watershed stewardship, and mine safety, among others. Projects will be evaluated based on applicants' demonstration of how their project will protect the environment, teamwork, public service, environmental education and outreach, pollution prevention, economic impact - including potential job creation, and the use of innovation technology. The project must have been completed between August 1, 2010, and July 31, 2011. While each candidate may submit only one application for a particular project, companies with multiple facilities may submit an application for each facility. Projects that have previously received a Governor's Award for Environmental Excellence are not eligible for this award, though past winners may submit applications for new projects for consideration. Each project will be reviewed by a committee of DEP employees. Recipients of the award will be honored during an evening reception and the winning projects will also be listed on DEP's website. For more information, visit the [Governor's Award for Environmental Excellence](#) webpage. Projects should be submitted by email to: RA-EPgovenviroawards@pa.gov. For assistance with completing the application, please call 717-783-8727.

Foundation For PA Watersheds Sets Grant Application Deadlines – Feb 13

The [Foundation for PA Watersheds](#) Tuesday set deadlines for its 2012 grant application rounds: February 13 and August 24. Spring letters of intent are due February 13 with applications due March 12. Decisions will be made at the April 24 Board meeting. Fall letters of intent are due August 24 and applications September 28 and decisions made at the November 13 Board meeting. [Click Here](#) for details on the application process.

Trout in the Classroom Grant Round is Open – Feb 24

The Pennsylvania Council of Trout Unlimited will be accepting Trout in the Classroom grant applications until February 24, 2012 for the 2012-2013 school year. Trout in the Classroom is an interdisciplinary program in which students in grades 3rd through 12th learn about coldwater conservation while raising brook trout from eggs to fingerlings in a classroom aquarium. All classrooms end the year by releasing their trout into a state approved waterway. Contact: [Samantha Kutske](mailto:Samantha.Kutske@pa.gov), (814) 359-5114. Web: <http://www.patROUTINtheclassroom.org/Funding/PATUGrants.aspx>

EPA Accepting Applications For Environmental Justice Small Grants – Feb 29

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is now accepting applications for the 2012 [Environmental Justice Small Grants](#). The deadline for applications is February 29. EPA is making available two teleconference calls on January 12, and February 1 to help applicants with the requirements. The grants will enable non-profit organizations to conduct research, provide education, and develop solutions to local health and environmental issues in communities overburdened by pollution. For the Request for Proposals and schedule of pre-application teleconference calls, download the [Environmental Justice Grants Application Guidance](#).

DEP Accepting Host Municipal Inspector Grant Applications – Mar 31

The Department of Environmental Protection is now accepting applications for [Host Municipal Inspector Grants](#) for municipal and hazardous waste facilities until March 31. (*formal notice*). Reimbursements are available to any municipality that has a municipal waste landfill, resource recovery facility, or commercial hazardous waste storage, treatment and disposal facility located within its geographic borders to help fund a host municipal inspector. Upon application from any host municipality, the Department shall award reimbursements for authorized costs incurred for the salary and expenses of up to two certified Host Municipality Inspectors. The reimbursement may not exceed 50 percent of the approved costs of salaries and expenses. Reimbursement is available only for Host Municipality Inspectors trained and certified by the Department. Applications [are available online](#) and for more information contact the DEP Bureau of Waste Management at 717-787-9870.



WATERSHED FACILITATION ASSISTANCE

Wildlife in Your Backyard Woods Workshop – Jan 27

Morgantown Holiday Inn, 6170 Morgantown Road, Morgantown (Berks County), PA 19543. Owners of even the smallest landscapes can make a positive difference for Pennsylvania's wildlife through planning and implementing simple stewardship practices learned at the Wildlife In Your Backyard Woods Workshop. Workshop sponsored by Penn State Extension & the Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay. For more information go to: www.forestryforthebay.org/files/wildlife.pdf

DEP, PSATS Offer Stormwater Management-MS4 Training – Jan-Mar

The Department of Environmental Protection and the PA State Association of Township Supervisors will host a series of three training sessions in January dealing with stormwater management and the MS4 permit process. The courses are part of a [sixteen session package](#) of training to be offered through March. The first workshops will be held January 5: Berks County Agricultural Center; January 19: Monroeville, Allegheny County; and January 24: Trevoise, Bucks County. For the remainder of the workshop dates and locations and to register, download the [workshop brochure](#).

GardenWise 2012 – Grow Your Gardening Knowledge! – Mar 10

A Continuing Education Series for Gardeners Sponsored by York County Master Gardeners Saturday, March 10, 2012 8:00 AM – 3:30 PM. NEW location: York County School of Technology 2179 S. Queen Street York, PA 17402. Please see the brochure for details on the speakers and the registration form at <http://extension.psu.edu/york/news/2011/gardenwise-2012>.

PennVest, DEP Announce First Nutrient Credit Trading Auction – Mar 21

The PA Infrastructure Investment Authority and the Department of Environmental Protection announced Wednesday they will host [an auction March 21](#) for the sale and purchase of nutrient credits in the Susquehanna and Potomac watersheds. The auction will be a "forward" auction, where certified credits will be sold at auction, delivered later and applied to 2012 and future compliance years. The auction will afford wastewater treatment plants in these two watersheds the opportunity to purchase credits as a means of meeting their nitrogen and phosphorus discharge limits for the compliance years. PennVEST is hosting the auctions to encourage the trading of nutrient credits in the Susquehanna and Potomac watersheds. DEP's nutrient credit trading program provides a cost-effective means for facilities that are subject to nitrogen and phosphorus limits to meet those limits by working with other facilities, non-point sources or both. PennVEST has chosen Markit Inc. to provide the platform for enrollment and eligibility, auctions and registry services. Markit, a financial information services company, has provided operations and infrastructure services to environmental programs worldwide. PennVEST anticipates charging buyers and sellers 2.5 cents per credit to offset administrative costs. For more information, visit PennVEST's [Nutrient Credit Trading Program](#) webpage or call 717-783-6776 (PennVEST) or 717-772-4785 (DEP).



WATERSHED TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

DEP: Pennsylvania's Draft Phase 2 Chesapeake Bay Watershed Implementation Plan

The draft Phase 2 WIP was submitted by the PA Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on December 15, 2011. The draft outlines the state's plan to address EPA's expectations that the states develop a Phase 2 WIP so that local partners (1) are aware of the WIP strategies; (2) understand their contribution to meeting the TMDL allocations; and (3) have

been provided with the opportunity to suggest any refinements to the WIP strategies. The EPA expects the Phase 2 Chesapeake WIP to contain greater detail about the first stage of implementation, which will last from when the EPA established the Chesapeake Bay TMDL in December 2010 until 2017. Written comments on the draft may be directed to the Department of Environmental Protection, Interstate Waters Office, PO Box 2063, Harrisburg, PA 17105-2063 or ep-chesapeakebayprogram@pa.gov until January 30, 2012. A return name and address must be included in each e-mail transmission. Contact: Interstate Waters Office, (717) 772-4785.

Managing fertilizer use efficiently

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has released a revised national conservation practice standard on nutrient management, which it says will help farmers better manage the application of fertilizers, including animal manure, on agricultural land. The USDA revised its practice standard in an effort to help farmers use fertilizers more efficiently, in a way that should save them money as well as protect or improve water, air and soil quality and agricultural sustainability. Read article... <http://www.delmarvanow.com/article/20111220/OPI02/112200354>

Protecting Your Water Well

Wells can be protected from contamination by bacteria and chemicals through good management practices. A sealed well cap prevents insect entry along with any bacteria they are carrying. Hazardous materials can be kept out of the well's recharge area. Water testing verifies the success of these protective practices. A couple married for 61 years brought me a water test report for clarification. They have tested their well periodically for years and for the first time they had a positive total coliform test. They had the usual questions, "is that bad? (we haven't been sick or anything)." And, "what should we do about it?" This couple is to be commended for their regular habit of water testing. That they tested this fall was wise – all the wet weather may have been responsible for the high coliform count. You can read more about the mechanics of that by [clicking here](#): For some ideas about what to do about a positive test, read on http://extension.psu.edu/water/discovery-watersheds/newsletter/news/2011/protecting-your-well?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+agsci-water-watershedwinds+%28Penn+State+Watershed+Winds+Newsletter%29

- **Link To Useful Information** [Protecting Wells with Sanitary Well Caps](#) and Grouting Water Supply Testing and Protection (video) (Written by: Thomas McCarty, send email to: trm3@psu.edu, Carlisle, Pa, and reprinted from Penn State Extension [Watershed Winds](#) online newsletter.)

Gov. Glendening: PlanMaryland the fiscally responsible way to build a better Maryland

I want my grandchildren to enjoy the beauty of Patapsco Valley State Park and the bustling downtown of historic Annapolis. I want them to be able to eat food grown in the Chesapeake Bay watershed, and to find a job here. I want Maryland to be a place they will love, and PlanMaryland will help make sure all these things are possible. Read more...

<http://www.smartgrowthamerica.org/2011/12/21/planmaryland-the-fiscally-responsible-way-to-build-a-better-maryland/>

TreeVitalize Streams Successfully Launched

The Alliance Pennsylvania office has had a busy year in successfully launching the TreeVitalize Streams program. Nearly 1500 trees have been planted within the Susquehanna River watershed. Partnership dollars are still available for the spring of 2012 to train and install a forested buffer on public land or private land with public access. Find out more about TreeVitalize Streams at www.allianceforthebay.org.

"Navigating Change: Running Effective Community and Coalition Meetings" webinar materials now available

Odin Zackman, facilitator and community sustainability consultant, walked us through the basics of designing an effective community or coalition meeting. The webinar provides facilitation tips and techniques, and offers interventions that can help keep public meetings on track. Read more... <http://www.smartgrowthamerica.org/2011/12/06/navigating-change-running-effective-community-and-coalition-meetings-webinar-materials-now-available/>

DEP Issues Air Quality Permit to Tucker Industries in Adams County

HARRISBURG -- The Department of Environmental Protection has issued a Title V air quality permit to Tucker Industrial Liquid Coatings Inc. for its metal surface coating facility on North Avenue in East Berlin, Adams County. Tucker uses multiple paint-spray booths at the facility to coat and paint metal parts on contract for other companies. In April 2009, DEP fined the company \$154,500 for installation of the spray booth equipment without permits, as well as violations of maximum achievable control technologies requirements. In a subsequent Consent Order and Agreement (COA), DEP ordered Tucker to correct the problem and obtain the necessary air quality permits. In May 2010, DEP approved Tucker's air quality plan for use of the three existing booths. The final step in the COA was for Tucker to obtain a Title V permit for the facility. For more information and to view the permit and related documents, visit www.dep.state.pa.us and click on "Regional Resources," then "South-central Region;" or call 717-705-4700.

PADEP Proposals Currently Open for Comment

Date Published In PA Bulletin	Proposal	Comment Deadline
11/10/2011	Nutrient Credit Trading Program, Notice of Certification Requests PA Bulletin Notice	1/9/2012
11/17/2011	Draft Phase 2 Chesapeake Bay Watershed Implementation Plan PA Bulletin Notice	1/30/2012
11/17/2011	Nutrient Credit Trading Program, Notice of Certification Requests PA Bulletin Notice	1/17/2012

