The State Water Plan

Non-regulatory guidance document assessing the water resources of the Commonwealth

How much water do we have?
How much water do we use?
How much water do we need?
Statement of Need

- DEP is conducting a review and update of the State Water Plan (SWP)
- We need individuals from various sectors to serve on the 6 Regional Committees and State-wide Committee
- We need your help in getting nominations
- Appointments are made by the Governor
Coordination and Role of Committees

Advise the Department and make recommendations on State Water Plan deliverables on Past, Future and Present issues.
Role of Committees

➢ Past Business:
  • Completion of Critical Area Resource Plans

➢ Major Achievements of Previous Plan:
  • Ability to share that information with others
  • Development of models to assess general water availability
  • State-wide “screening” of water availability
  • Identification of initial “Critical Water Planning Areas”
  • Three draft “Critical Area Resource Plans”
  • Contribution to assessing in-stream flow needs
Roles of Committees

Major Achievements of Previous Plan
Future: Emerging Issues

- Develop sustainable funding model
- Climate Change
- Legislative, regulatory and programmatic changes
- Improvement to SWP process
Role of Committees

Present:
- Adequacy of current plan
- Deployment and communication of water use data for public use and planners
- Development of decision support tools
- Update Website
- Conversion of Water Atlas to Digital Story Map(s)
Meetings: When and Where

- As soon as committees are fully reconstituted
- 18 to 24-month timeline
- Quarterly basis
- Primarily webinars and/or conference calls
- Reimbursement of travel expenses
How to Volunteer

Provide to the Department:

- A letter of interest addressed to Governor Tom Wolf
- A résumé
- A nominating letter from a state-wide or regional organization
## Who to Contact

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