

**SUBJECT:** Priorities Updates and Action Plans—February 2010  
**TO:** Council Members  
**FROM:** Sue Wilson  
**DATE:** February 5, 2010

### **ADMINISTRATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

*Members: Thad Stevens (Chair), Cynthia Carrow, Jolene Chinchilli, Eric Conrad, Jan Keim, Richard Manfredi*

#### Priorities:

1. *Identify opportunities for greater consistency (process and enforcement) among DEP regions*
2. *Work towards more appropriate use and communication of policies, guidance, regulation (literal interpretation vs. direction)*
3. *Enhance DEP effectiveness*

#### Key Questions:

1. *Increased Consistency: What is being done to ensure the appropriate level of consistency in terms of implementation and enforcement of this initiative?*
2. *Regulation vs. Policy vs. Guidance: Is this initiative being presented at the appropriate level or should consideration be given to utilizing a different mechanism?*

### **DEP Structure, Budget, Complement, Grants, Permit Fees PROJECT**

#### Timeline

2/17/2009	Deputy Secretary Patrick McDonnell reported on DEP's proposed budget
3/2/2009	Conference call re: sewage enforcement reimbursement grants funding
3/17/2009	Sent letter re: reimbursement grants funding
5/5/2009	Conference call re: sewage enforcement grants funding
5/20/2009	Draft letters to CAC for review and consideration; letters approved and sent.
7/21/2009	DEP reports on budget status and on economic recovery.
7/24/2009	CAC sent letter to PA General Assembly re: Environmental Budget Impacts and Leasing of public lands for gas drilling
8/14/2009	Follow-up letter identified a number of budget issues, including impact on federal primacy programs. August 31 response distributed to members.

### **AIR COMMITTEE**

*Members: John Walliser, Chair; Gail Conner, Walter Heine, Jim Swistock*

#### Priorities:

1. *Air permits and permitting procedures*
  - *Support and encourage permitting procedures that are economically and administratively efficient yet remain protective of the environment*
  - *Look for every opportunity to achieve measurable improvement in environmental quality as well as advancing economic and administrative efficiency*
2. *Emission reductions*

- Look for every opportunity to further minimize air emissions, especially where health and environmental impacts can be measured and/or are strongly correlated
  - Promote awareness of the connection between air pollution and public health with focus on both the general public and government decision-makers
  - Identify and encourage private sector innovation in minimizing emissions
  - Identify and address the not-insignificant impacts of individuals on air quality as well as permittees (e.g., open burning, I&M, etc.) through education, public awareness, etc.
3. Influence of/relationship with EPA
- Monitor the effectiveness of the relationship between DEP and EPA w/ re: air programs and issues.
4. Energy impacts on air quality

Key Questions:

- Air Permits and Permitting Procedures: Does this package result in measurable improvements in environmental quality and advance environmental as well as economic efficiency?
- Emission Reductions: Does this proposal sufficiently promote and encourage efforts and technologies to further minimize air emissions?
- Influence of/Relationship with EPA: Will this proposal enhance agency coordination of their efforts to improve air quality?

<b>5-Year Air Reports</b>	<b>Next 5-year Air Report Due 2012</b>	<b>MANDATORY</b>
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*Section 4.3(6) of the Air Pollution Control Act provides that “Beginning five years after the effective date of this section and every five years thereafter, the Department shall conduct and submit to the General Assembly an evaluation of the effectiveness of the programs adopted to implement the Clean Air Act. The evaluation shall include...a summary of the activities undertaken by the Citizens Advisory Council...”. To assist the Department in preparing the Act’s required 5-year evaluation reports, the Council will furnish periodic reports of Council’s relevant activities. Council prepared 5-year air reports in 1997, 2002 and 2007.*

Workplan:

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| 4/15/2008 | Discussion with BAQ re: DEP’s 5-year report; DEP to provide draft when available  |
| 2/17/2009 | Overview of draft DEP 5 year report; committee reviewing draft report   |
| 4/8/2009  | Committee’s draft comments shared with BAQ  |
| 4/21/2009 | Committee’s draft comments presented to Council for consideration; draft was revised, finalized, and sent to BAQ.   |
| 5/20/2009 | BAQ discussed Council’s April comments on the draft report; BAQ to report back to CAC w/ re: toxics and synergistic community impacts, and will consider an amendment to the report if appropriate. |

<b>Air Issues</b>	<b>PROJECT</b>
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*Pennsylvania’s air quality has improved substantially over the past 30 years as the state has made significant progress in addressing the 6 criteria pollutants listed in the Clean Air Act of 1970. Despite the progress made, the Commonwealth faces tough, new air quality challenges. These challenges, and those we identify in the future, call for innovative approaches that involve all sectors of society, and for aggressive action to protect Pennsylvania’s citizens and our*

*cherished, rich environment. DEP should identify and utilize creative and aggressive solutions to confront the ever-evolving air pollution challenges.*

Timeline:

2/19/2008	CAC approved letter of support for anti-idling regulations
3/18/2008	Discussion re: final consumer products regulation; letter sent 4/4
4/15/2008	Conceptual discussion re: proposed adhesives regulations
5/20/2008	Committee meeting: DEP to present draft of adhesives regulation, and report on final anti-idling regulation. On the committee's recommendation, Council voted to support proceeding to EQB with the regulatory packages. Letters sent on 6/13/2008
10/27/2008	Conference call re: impacts of CAIR vacatur on cement kiln regulations
11/18/2008	Draft letter regarding cement kiln regulations; letter sent on 11/21/2008
2/17/2009	Committee meeting re: Air Quality Fees rulemaking, proposed ozone designations, air toxics around schools, mercury court decision.
3/3/2009	Sent letter to IRRC supporting fees package
7/21/2009	DEP to present draft regulations on: Large Appliance and Metal Furniture Coatings, Paper, Film and Foil Coatings, Flat Wood Paneling Coatings, Outdoor Wood-fired Boilers, and Non-attainment New Source Review PM2.5.
9/15/2009	Ratified letters re: Large Appliance and Metal Furniture Coatings, Paper Film and Foil Coatings, Flat Wood Paneling Coatings, Outdoor Wood-fired Boilers, and Nonattainment New Source Review PM2.5
12/16/2009	Conference call to discuss pending regulations
1/19/2010	Approved letter re: proceeding with Adhesives and Glass Melting regulations
2/16/2010	<b>Committee meeting w/ BAQ to discuss pending regulations and air issues</b>

Recent Reports and Activities:

**Pennsylvania is one of three states that failed to submit timely state implementation plans for how they will comply with EPA's national ambient air quality standard for particulate matter. This finding starts a sanctions clock that could lead to a loss of highway funding. Pennsylvania blames its delay primarily on work load but also on the fallout from the December 2008 remand of the clean air interstate rule which froze development of a cap and trade system to reduce power plant emissions of NO2 and SO2. (*Environmental Policy Alert, 12/16/2009*)**

**Global Warming**

**TRACK**

Workplan:

3/21/2007	Presentation on PEC's Energy/Climate Change Center of Excellence
8/11/2008	Governor appointed Sister Pat Lupo to Climate Change Advisory Committee
10/21/2008	Joint CAC/CNRAC meetings re: climate change activities.
7/21/2009	DEP presentation and update on HB 80
2/16/2010	<b>Update on Act 70 Climate Plan</b>

Recent Reports and Activities:

**EPA is pursuing two key expansions for its greenhouse gas emissions reporting registry, proposing to require GHG reporting from oil and gas operations and from underground injection of CO2. (*Environmental Policy Alert, 12/30/2009*)**

**ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

*Members: Dave Strong (Chair), Joyce Hatala, Curtis Kratz, Thad Stevens and John Walliser*

**Mining/Reclamation/AMD Issues** **PROJECT**

Priorities:

- Expedite remediation of historical problems
- Enhance the ease of reclamation of current mining

Key Question:

- Does this initiative expedite remediation and reclamation of both current and historical mining impacts?

*In response to past abuses, federal and state laws now require coal operators to pump and treat the polluted drainage from their mines. However, as many as 140 mine operators may be struggling to meet these demands. If they close down, there is little to stop them from abandoning their environmental obligations at 262 mines and coal waste piles across the state. Together those sites generate an estimated 28 billion gallons of acid drainage annually.*

Timeline:

- 1/15/2008 Joe Pizarchik reported on reclamation fee advance notice of final rulemaking
- 8/2008 Presentation at WPCAMR AMD conference
- 9/23/2008 OSM emergency response funding letter
- 10/21/2008 Joint CAC/CNRAC meeting re: AMD on DCNR lands
- 2/17/1009 Committee meeting to follow up on AMD/AML on DCNR lands, and to discuss pending waste program changes
- 3/17/2009 Discuss regional meeting proposal re: Marcellus and AML/AMD on DCNR lands
- 7/21/2009 Council to consider draft OSM emergency funding letter; letter approved and sent

**Deep Mining** *(5-year Act 54 report mandatory)* **TRACK**

Priorities:

- Promote quicker resolution of surface and water impacts and ensure that the spirit and intent of the law is properly applied and enforced to result in a just balance of conflicting property uses and users.

Key Question:

- Will this initiative provide a better balance between conflicting property uses and users?

Timeline:

- 1/15/2008 DEP reported that resource constraints may affect its ability to prepare the next Act 54 report, due in 2008. CAC has agreed to discuss with DEP options for developing an in house report.
- 3/18/2008 Deputy Secretary Roberts reported on progress in implementing recommendations from the 1998-2003 report
- 4/15/2008 Director of Mining and Reclamation Joe Pizarchik reported on plans for completing the next 5-year report
- 7/15/2008 Harold Miller reported on plans for completing the next 5-year report

Workplan:

**The 2008 Act 54 report is expected to be completed by summer 2010; University of Pittsburgh staff who are working on the five year report are doing an excellent job in capturing the available data and making meaningful assessments but have slipped behind schedule due to difficulties in correlating information from different sources.**

**Energy Plan** **TRACK**

*Energy is a foundation of the modern economy; it fuels our industry and our transportation, and heats our homes. Our demand for energy continues to increase, while our sources of traditional fuels diminishes, and the public health and global warming impacts increase. Even global issues such as climate change and energy use should be considered as state issues, as they affect us all.*

Timeline:

- 1/15/2008 Draft regional report to addresses wind power
- 5/20/2008 DEP provided overview of issues and actions regarding the gas drilling boom
- 6/17/2008 Continue discussion re: drilling issues
- 9/9/2008 Panel on Marcellus Shale at regional meeting
- 10/22/2008 Joint CAC/CNRAC meeting re: Marcellus Shale
- 11/18/2008 PPO to discuss citizen outreach re: Marcellus Shale and wind siting criteria
- 2/17/2009 PPO to continue to discuss wind siting criteria issues relevant to proposed legislation
- 2/25/2009 Staff attended meeting of the Pa. Wind and Wildlife Collaborative
- 3/17/2009 Sent letter re: gaps in Marcellus information
- 4/21/2009 WPC presentation on windmill siting study

**Waste Management** **PROJECT**

Priorities:

- Promote a more sustainable yet still protective approach to waste management.

Key Question:

- *Does the package incorporate or promote more sustainable management of wastes?*

Timeline:

- 1/15/2008 Steve Socash et al provided update on pending changes to waste regulations
- 1/30/2008 Committee conference call re: changes to waste regulations
- 2/19/2008 Committee meeting re: letter to Deputy Secretary Fidler; Council approves letter
- 3/18/2008 Discussion with Deputy Secretary Fidler
- 4/10/2008 SWAC meeting re: waste regulations
- 5/5/2008 Committee conference call re: waste position/questions
- 11/18/2008 Draft letter re: extending the \$2/ton tipping fee and other changes to Act 101; letter send on 11/26/2008
- 3/17/2009 Committee meeting re: pending changes to waste regulations
- 4/6/2009 Committee conference call re: pending changes to waste regulations
- 4/21/2009 Draft comments for Council consideration; letter re: proposed changes to waste regulations sent.

**INTEGRATED PROJECTS COMMITTEE**

*Members: Jolene Chinchilli (Chair), Gail Conner, Joyce Hatala, Pat Lupo, and Burt Waite*

Priorities: Cumulative Impacts

- *Determine the status of models and procedures to determine cumulative impact.*
- *Promote consideration of cumulative impact in DEP programs and decision-making.*
- *Expand the use of biomonitoring in communities subject to exposure to pollutants from multiple sources.*

Key Question:

- *Is there a place for consideration of cumulative impact in the context of this initiative?*

**Health and Environment PROJECT**

*Better understanding of the links between environmental pollutants and human health will allow us to take appropriate actions to reduce and eliminate, where possible, the negative impacts. It is critical that Pennsylvania begin to tie environmental data systems with health data systems so that the correlation of environmental and other factors with health outcomes is better understood. DEP has done much to modernize and improve the usefulness of its many data systems; they now need to be correlated with DOH and other health-related data sets.*

Priorities:

- *Promote awareness of the connection between environmental quality and public health with focus on both the general public and government decision-makers.*
- *Ensure that DEP policies, programs and regulations address the connection between environment and public health.*
- *Support and encourage DEP continued participation in the Environmental Health Tracking project with the Health Dept. and encourage DEP to develop its own initiatives in this area.*

Key Question:

- *Does this regulatory package/initiative address the connection between environment and public health? Can it do more?*

Timeline:

- 1/15/2008      *Committee meeting to discuss lead issues; CAC approved comments on EPA proposal to remove lead as a criteria pollutant. Comments submitted electronically.*
- 2/19/2008      *Special Deputy Barb Sexton reported on progress in relationship building with the Department of Health*

Workplan:

- Ongoing      *Advisory articles to keep the issue in front of CAC and DEP*  
*Evaluate what standards are health based; look into standards for children vs. adults; evaluate need to push for including synergistic and cumulative effects, precautionary principle, etc.*  
*Evaluate the relationship between the county health departments, DOH and DEP*  
*Monitor EJAB and PCIEP activities re: cumulative impact analysis*

**Multi Media Approaches** **TRACK**

Priorities:

- *Support and encourage the development of new tools to build upon and go beyond progress made under current programs.*
- *Ensure that new approaches result in measurable improvement in environmental quality and advance environmental as well as economic efficiency.*

Key Question:

- *Does this package result in measurable improvements in environmental quality and advance environmental as well as economic efficiency?*

**Pollution Prevention** **TRACK**

Priorities:

- *Identify all opportunities to make pollution prevention the norm (not just the award winning exception) in all media.*
- *Incorporate incentives for pollution prevention in all DEP regulations, policies and programs.*
- *Support the existing DEP goal of zero discharge of pollutants as a driver for adoption of pollution prevention, continuous improvement and environmental management systems by those who are subject to environmental regulation.*

Key Question:

- *Does this package promote pollution prevention and continuous improvement as key pieces of the initiative?*

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND OUTREACH COMMITTEE**

*Members: Cynthia Carrow (Chair), Jim Clauser, Gail Conner, Bernie Hoffnar, Curtis Kratz, and Pat Lupo*

**Public Participation in DEP Decision Making** **PROJECT**

Priorities:

- *Seek continued improvement in DEP's decision making at all levels*
- *Internal communication and interregional consistency*
- *External outreach, re: DEP activities (not to be confused with EE)*
- *Accountability for both*

Key Questions:

- *Does the proposal incorporate plans and mechanisms to enhance public participation in decision-making affecting its outcomes?*
- *What are the plans for both internal and external communication regarding this initiative? What outcome measures will be used to ensure that communication is effective and at least adequate?*

Timeline:

10/6/2008      Attended interagency meeting re: Marcellus Shale outreach and education  
 11/3/2008      Attended interagency meeting re: Marcellus Shale outreach and education

- 11/18/2008 Committee meeting to discuss wind siting criteria (presentation by WPC) and Marcellus outreach
- 1/6/2009 Conference call re: wind power siting criteria issues
- 2/17/2009 Committee meeting re: wind siting issues; draft letter to CAC for consideration
- 2/25/2009 Staff attended meeting of the Pa. Wind and Wildlife Collaborative
- 3/17/2009 Sent letter re: gaps in Marcellus information
- 3/25/2009 Pa. Wind and Wildlife Collaborative meeting
- 4/21/2009 WPC presentation on siting study

**Advisory Committee Review** **PROJECT**

Timeline:

- 3/18/2008 CAC identified empowering DEP advisory committees as a top priority
- 6/4/2008 Participated in Policy Office meeting with DEP staff re: advisory committees. Staff to follow up on specific concerns raised at the meeting.
- 9/2008 DEP proposed changes to SWAC and RFAC bylaws
- 1/6/2009 Conference call re: SAC issues
- 2/17/2009 Draft letter to CAC for consideration; letter sent February 19, 2009
- 9/11/2009 DEP convening a meeting of advisory committee liaisons to discuss protocols related to Advisory Committees and procedures such as submission of PA Bulletin Notices.

Workplan:

**Ongoing Work with Policy Office re: improving collaboration with and coordination of advisory committee input on departmental initiatives**

**Environmental Education and Stewardship** **PROJECT**

Priorities:

- o *Elevate the role of environmental education within the department and to improve cooperation among resource agencies.*
- o *Increase community/grass roots awareness, knowledge, skill and involvement in achieving and maintaining desired environmental quality and quality of life utilizing environmental education as one of the primary tools.*

Key Question:

- o *What does the proposal do to enhance education and environmental stewardship relevant to its intended environmental outcomes?*

Timeline:

The Conservation Directory is available and updateable on line.

**Environmental Justice** **TRACK**

*In June 2000, the EJ Work Group made recommendations for addressing environmental equity; one of the most significant remaining tasks is to deliberate the best means to implement cumulative and disparate impacts analyses.*



Priority:

- *Monitor and aid Environmental Justice staff and the Environmental Justice Advisory Board in improving how the department addresses these issues.*

Key Question:

- *How does this proposal address environmental justice and related issues?*

**WATER COMMITTEE**

*Members: Burt Waite (Chair), Cynthia Carrow, Jolene Chinchilli, Jim Clauser, Gail Conner, Joyce Hatala, Walter Heine, Jan Keim, Curtis Kratz, Pat Lupo, Richard Manfredi, Thad Stevens, Dave Strong*

Priorities:

1. *Quantity*
  - a. *Advocate for implementation of a comprehensive and integrated system of water resource management.*
  - b. *Watershed protection: ensure adequate flow to maintain designated uses and the integrity of the hydrologic cycle*
2. *Quality*
  - a. *All Pennsylvanians have access to safe drinking water*
  - b. *All waters meet or exceed designated use/maintain integrity of hydrologic cycle*
  - c. *Minimize pollution entering the Commonwealth's waters and ensure they don't alter the designated use*

Key Questions:

1. *Quantity: Does this initiative incorporate plans and mechanisms to protect and enhance water quantity including maintaining the integrity of the hydrologic cycle?*
2. *Quality: Does this initiative incorporate plans and mechanisms to protect and enhance water quality including minimizing pollution entering the Commonwealth's waters?*

**Trib Strategy and Nutrient Trading TRACK**

*While soundly designed water quality trading programs may provide a very effective and efficient means to further improve water quality, they should also include parameters as safeguards within which such trading may operate.*

Timeline:

- 1/15/2008 Committee meeting re: REAP implementation and trib strategy concerns
- 3/18/2008 Bay Workgroup formed
- 4/14/2008 Bay workgroup meeting
- 4/15/2008 Water committee meeting re: monitoring and water quality trends in the Susquehanna
- 5/20/2008 Water committee meeting re: Chesapeake Bay modeling
- 7/15/2008 Bay Workgroup meeting

**Water and wastewater infrastructure needs PROJECT**

*Pennsylvania ranks high on EPA's National Needs Survey--6th in 1996 with a total of \$6.1 billion in anticipated needs to build, upgrade and maintain publicly owned sewage treatment*

*plants. Almost \$4 billion of that is for Combined Sewer Overflows (CSO), where sewers and storm drains have been combined.*

Timeline:

Ongoing	Compile available information regarding infrastructure needs Discuss water conservation initiative
2/19/2008	Committee meeting to discuss infrastructure costs related to the trib strategy Council approved position statement re: funding for infrastructure needs
5/20/2008	DEP provided update on Sustainable Water Infrastructure Task Force
5/29/2008	Committee conference call to provide input to the SWITF; comments summarized and submitted along with CAC's "Position Statement Re: Sewage Infrastructure Needs" and CAC's white paper "Pennsylvania's Approach to Integrated Wastewater Management: A New Paradigm."
9/23/2008	Infrastructure funding needs letter sent

**Wastewater Management (Centralized and On-Lot) ACTIVELY TRACK**

*One-quarter of Pennsylvania residents depend on septic systems for sewage treatment. While we continue to research and develop new technologies to expand the choices available to property owners, it appears that there are significant barriers to utilizing anything other than conventional systems, which are soil-dependant and therefore have siting limitations. It also appears that there are significant concerns about the long-term performance of any of the systems, especially given the lack of knowledge exhibited by much of the public who use them.*

Timeline:

1/15/2008	Committee meeting to finalize white paper, discuss REAP and trading CAC approved white paper and cover letter
11/18/2008	Program staff response to CAC white paper and sewage management issues

**Water Resources Management TRACK**

*Council's March 2000 position formed the basis for many aspects of DEP's proposal. Council supports a stronger, more comprehensive approach to both water management and well construction standards than is captured in Act 220, but supports the Act as a step forward.*

Timeline:

3/2008	State Water Plan due to be issued
5/20/2008	DEP provided update on status of State Water Plan
4/21/2009	State Water Atlas provided to Council

**Water Quality TRACK**

*Water resources that become polluted are of limited human or ecological value. We must protect these resources not just for human consumption and recreation, but also for their even more important ecological values. The setting of Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) for those waters that are impaired must remain of high priority in order to protect both the human and ecological values of this critical resource.*

Timeline:

4/17/2007 Briefing on proposed regulatory changes to Chapter 102 (E&S Control)  
 11/2007 DEP working on draft 102 revisions; DEP plans on presenting this to advisory committees between November 2007 and January 2008.  
 3/17/2009 Briefing on proposed Permit-by-Rule, Chapter 102  
 4/3/2009 Conference call re: proposed Permit-by-Rule  
 4/21/2009 Draft letter re: PBR to CAC for consideration; letter approved and sent.  
 4/21/2009 Dep. Sec. Scott Roberts & Ron Furlan met with CAC to discuss changes in Marcellus Shale permitting updates.  
 4/21/2009 Water Committee met the department to discuss the recently proposed Total Dissolved Solids regulatory updates.  
 5/20/2009 Water Committee to follow up on PBR and TDS  
 6/10/2009 Conference Call to discuss PBR & TDS  
 7/21/2009 Committee met to discuss proposed PBR & TDS  
 11/9/2009 Committee conference call to discuss PBR comments  
 11/17/2009 Comments approved by CAC

### STRATEGIC PLANNING WORKGROUP

*Members: Jolene Chinchilli (Chair); Cynthia Carrow; Jan Keim; Rich Manfredi; Thad Stevens; Burt Waite, John Walliser*

*Charge: The Strategic Planning Workgroup will address obtaining information from the department in a timely manner; assessing the need for outreach to the legislature, agency personnel, and the general public to increase awareness of Council's mandate; and partnering with nonprofit organizations to advance certain priorities. It may consider these matters independently of the others and make recommendations for consideration of the full Council as it concludes each portion of its charge.*

#### Workplan:

5/1/2008 Workgroup conference call  
 5/20/2008 Workgroup meeting  
 5/30/2008 Workgroup conference call  
 6/17/2008 Workgroup meeting; Report #1 re: criteria for policy level issues  
 7/15/2008 Workgroup meeting  
 9/9/2008 Workgroup meeting  
 10/10/2008 Workgroup conference call  
 11/18/2008 Committee meeting re: transition plans  
 1/26/2009 Conference call re: priority setting  
 2/17/2009 Council approval of SPWG report on priority setting  
 3/6/2009 Conference call re: recommended approach to short term priorities  
 3/17/2009 Workgroup report re: immediate priorities; priorities adopted  
 5/9/2009 CAC/CNRAC presentation at *Confluence*  
 5/20/2009 Workgroup meeting re: transition plans  
 7/6/2009 Workgroup conference call re: transition plans  
 7/21/2009 Council voted to immediately make the Transition Report its top priority  
 9/15/2009 Workgroup meeting to discuss transition issues, format, process  
 9/21/2009 Draft outline

- 11/10/2009 Workgroup conference call
- 11/17/2009 Workgroup meeting to discuss transition issues
- 12/1/2009 Workgroup conference call
- 1/5/2010 Workgroup conference call
- 1/19/2010 Council approved *Key Environmental Issues for the Keystone State***

**FULL COUNCIL ACTIVITIES**

**Joint Meetings w/ CNRAC October 20-21, 2009 PROJECT**

*Seek input on environmental issues and work of the department in the designated region.*

- 3/17/2009 Begin to plan for 2009 regional meeting proposal re: Marcellus and AML/AMD on DCNR lands
- 4/21/2009 Regional meeting workgroup formed (Cynthia Carrow, Bernie Hoffnar, Thad Stevens) to coordinate with CNRAC in planning regional meeting
- 5/6/2009 Conference call to discuss planning of CAC/CNRAC joint regional meeting
- 8/19/2009 Joint panels in preparation for October site visits/joint business meeting
- 10/20-21/09 Joint site visits/panels with CNRAC
- 11/2009 Draft summaries
- 1/19/2010 Panel on severance tax; draft joint report?**

**Annual Report (Mandatory) PROJECT**

*Summarize Council activities over the calendar year and provide updates on ongoing issues.*

Workplan:

- 11/2009 Draft to CAC for review
- 1/19/2010 Council approved 2009 annual report**

**Outreach ONGOING**

Upcoming Meetings/Events

Date	Meeting
FEBRUARY 2	EJAB
FEBRUARY 10	WRAC
FEBRUARY 16	EQB/CAC
FEBRUARY 18	AQTAC
FEBRUARY 22	House Budget Hearing— DEP
MARCH 1	Senate Budget Hearing— DEP
MARCH 15	MRAB Technical committee meeting re: fees
MARCH 16	EQB/CAC
MARCH 24	CNRAC