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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION



Office of Water Management

# **Marsh Creek, Chester County Stream Redesignation Petition**

**Petitioner:  
French & Pickering Creeks Conservation Trust**

**Environmental Quality Board Meeting  
March 21, 2017**

# Stream Petition Contents

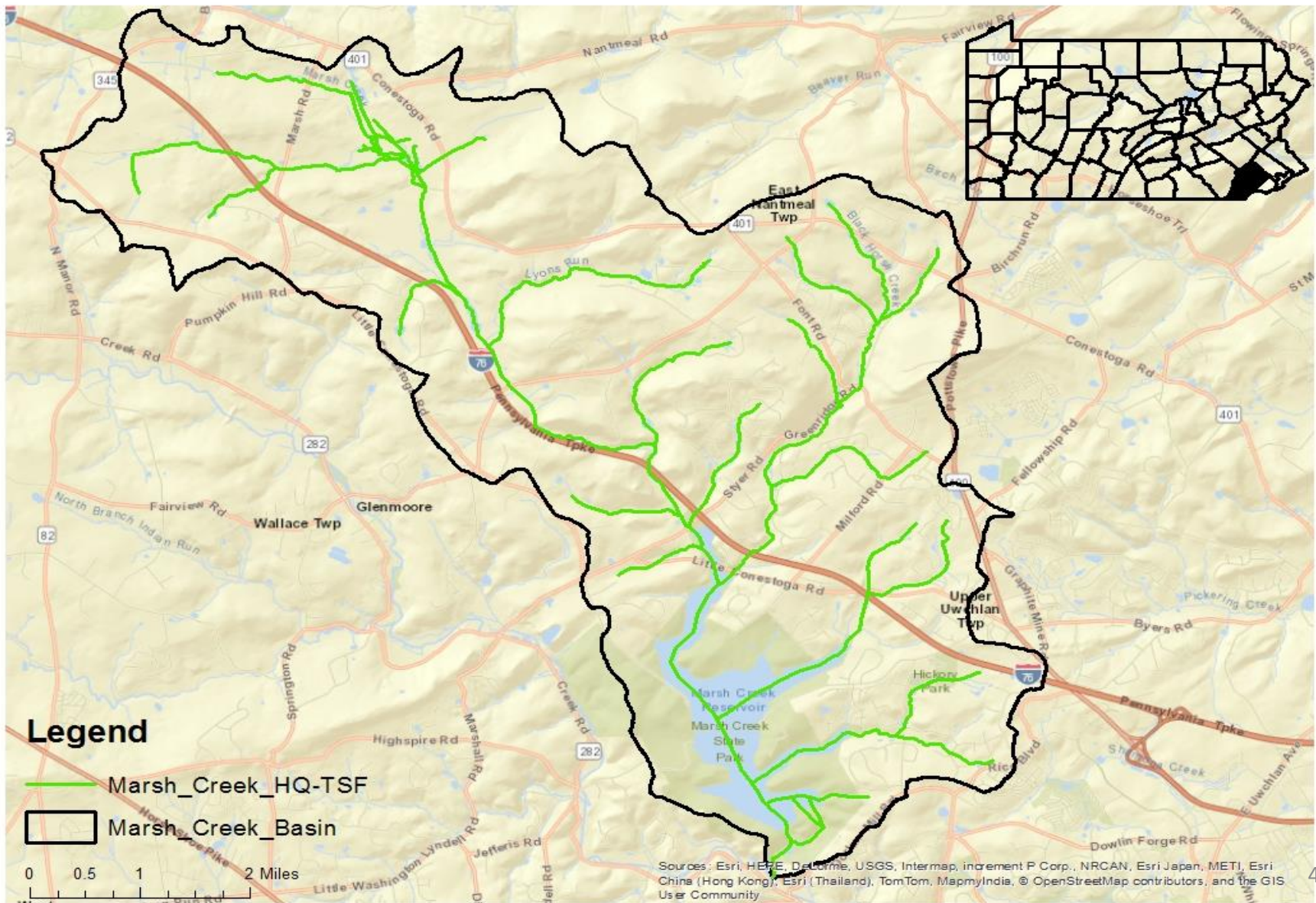
## Petitioner Provides:

- Petitioner Information
- Petition Information
  - Requested action (i.e., to amend a regulation)
  - Justification for requesting action
  - Who/What entities will be affected by this regulation change?
  - Is current litigation involved?
  - Stream redesignation information

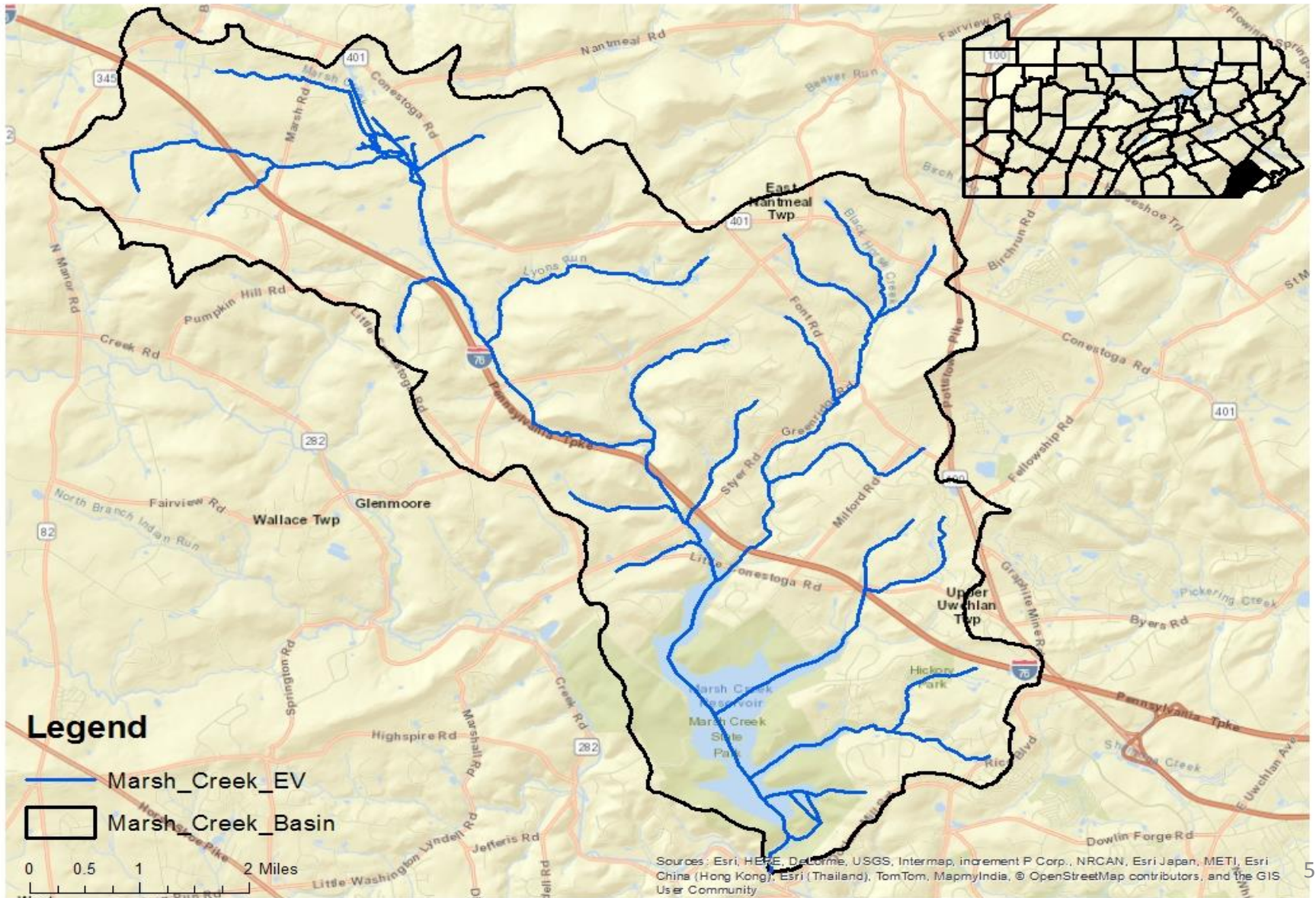
# Stream Redesignation Petition

- Submit petition to EQB via Policy Office
- Completeness review
- Present to EQB for consideration
- If accepted by EQB for further study,
  - Department conducts biological survey; file search; and public information request

# Current Designation: HQ-TSF



# Proposed Designation: EV



# Basis of the Petition

- Water quality and biological data was provided in support of the petition for Marsh Creek.
- The petitioner believes an assessment of the petitioned stream will qualify it for Exceptional Value redesignation.

# Department Findings

- Petition is complete
  - Information requirements have been met as defined in §23.2 of the EQB petition policy
- This redesignation request does not conflict with federal law
- The Department recommends the acceptance of the Marsh Creek petition



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