

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BUREAU OF CLEAN WATER

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT TEMPLATE

State Environmental Assessment	
Project Name:	
County:	
PWS ID or NPDES No.:	
State Reviewer:	
Date:	

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UER Outline No.	Focus of Analysis	Document/Date	State Analysis
1.1 Purpose	Explain how the plan satisfies the public health, safety and environmental issues which prompted the project.		
1.2 Changes	List any changes to the project since preparation of the UER, and describe their environmental impact. If none, indicate "N/A."		
2.1 Alternatives	Are there any reasonable alternatives which should have been considered but were not? If yes, explain.		
2.2 Alternatives	Did the analysis of alternatives adequately consider both capital cost and O&M cost [typically in a total present worth (TPW) calculation]? Was the lowest cost alternative selected? Was the relative environmental impact of the different alternatives considered in the selection?		
3.1 Land Use	Is the short-term and long -term impact of the project on land use sufficiently understood? Is the impact acceptable? Describe any necessary mitigation and how it will control harmful impacts.		
3.2 Floodplains	If the project will impact floodplains, explain why it is appropriate for the project to proceed. If none, indicate "N/A."		
3.3 Wetlands	If the project will impact wetlands, explain why it is appropriate for the project to proceed. If none, indicate "N/A.		
3.4 Historic	Is the impact on historic resources sufficiently understood? If there are impacts, are they acceptable, and are they mitigated? Are the specific mitigating controls fully understood and accepted by the responsible party? If none, indicate "N/A."		
3.5 Biology	Is the effect of the project on plants and animals acceptable? Why or why not?		
3.6 Water	Is the water quality impact acceptable? Why or why not?		

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3.7 CZM	Is the project in a Coastal Area? If not, Indicate "N/A." If yes, describe how the project is acceptable under the Coastal Zone Management Program.		
3.8 Socio- Economics	Does the project disproportionately affect minorities or people with low income? If no, indicate "N/A." If yes, explain.		
3.9 Air Quality	Does the project include any significant air quality issues? If no, indicate "N/A." If yes, explain.		
3.10 Transportation	Will the project (as a result of new development or other changes) overload existing means of transportation (like roads)? What is the related environmental impact?		
3.11 Noise	Will the project result in significant noise, either on a short-term or long-term basis? If no, indicate "N/A." If yes, has it been addressed properly?		
3.12 Rivers	Is there a designated Wild & Scenic River in the service area? If no, indicate "N/A." If yes, has any impact been satisfactorily addressed? How?		
3.13 Misc	Are there any other issues of concern? If no, indicate "N/A." If yes, explain.		
4.0 Mitigation	Is any mitigation required? If no, indicate "N/A." If yes, explain its adequacy.		
5.0 Public Participation	Was public participation adequate? (Was the public adequately informed of upcoming events like public meetings/hearings? Was the project explained to the public? Did the public have the opportunity to comment on the project? Were public comments recorded? Is the project affordable? Is there significant controversy?)		

Project Name			
Is the project environmentally acceptable? Summary of review:	Yes 🗌	No 🗆	
Signed by:			
Signature:			Date:

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