

# Commonwealth of Pennsylvania



## Governor's Office

### AMENDMENT TO PROCLAMATION

May 7, 2002

WHEREAS, On February 12, 2002, I proclaimed a drought and water shortage emergency in twenty-four counties of the Commonwealth due to a long and continuing period of rainfall deficits and a lack of winter snow accumulation which resulted in abnormally low stream flows, reduced groundwater levels and water supply shortages within those counties; and

WHEREAS, the amount of rainfall in the Commonwealth during the months of February, March, and April has not been sufficient to replenish the groundwater levels or return overall water supplies to their normal levels within most of the counties declared to be in a state of drought and water shortage emergency; and

WHEREAS, the present drought and water shortage conditions are expected to continue or worsen within all or most of the previously designated drought emergency area during the next sixty to ninety day period of time; and

WHEREAS, my Proclamation of Drought Emergency of February 12, 2002, will automatically expire on May 12, 2002, unless renewed by this Amendment.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Mark S. Schweiker, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, pursuant to the provisions of Subsection 7301(c) of the Emergency Management Services Code (35 Pa. C.S. Section 7101 et seq.), do hereby order and direct as follows:

1. The Proclamation of Drought Emergency of February 12, 2002, is renewed for a period of ninety days starting on May 13, 2002, and shall continue to apply to the following counties: Adams, Bedford, Berks, Bucks, Chester, Cumberland, Dauphin, Delaware, Franklin, Fulton, Lancaster, Lebanon, Lehigh, Montgomery, Northampton, Perry, Philadelphia, Schuylkill, Wayne and York.
2. All of the authorized actions by state agencies and departments, regulations, water-use restrictions, and other terms, conditions, and provisions of the February 12, 2002 Declaration of Drought Emergency shall remain in full force and effect until either rescinded by me or terminated by law.
3. This Proclamation amendment shall take effect immediately.



GIVEN under my hand and the Seal of the Governor, at the city of Harrisburg, this seventh day of May in the year of our Lord, two thousand and two and of the Commonwealth, the two-hundred and twenty-sixth.

Handwritten signature of Mark S. Schweiker in black ink.

Mark S. Schweiker  
Governor