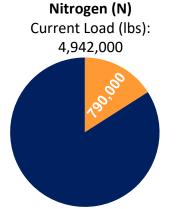
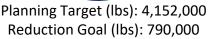
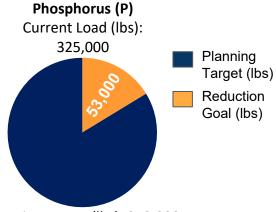
# Lycoming County, Pennsylvania

## **Current Conditions**

Lycoming County is one of 34 counties in Pennsylvania's Chesapeake Bay Watershed that have developed Countywide Action Plans. Current loading rates are 4.94M lbs of nitrogen and 325K lbs of phosphorus annually. By 2025 Lycoming County needs to reduce 790K lbs of nitrogen and 53K lbs of phosphorus.



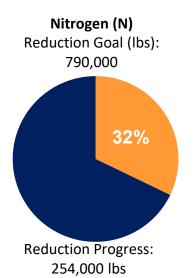


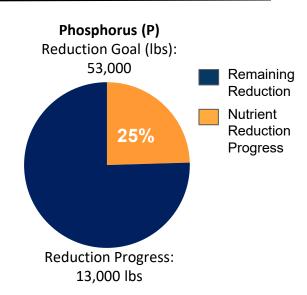


Planning Target (lbs): 272,000 Reduction Goal (lbs): 53,000

# **Pollutant Reduction Progress**

By 2025, Lycoming County needs to reduce 790K lbs of nitrogen and 53K lbs of phosphorus. Lycoming County has developed a plan to reduce 254K lbs of nitrogen, which is 32% of the goal and 13K lbs of phosphorus, which is 25% of the goal.

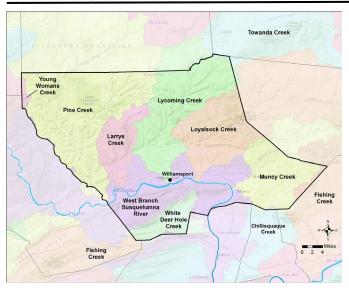




#### **Sector Reductions**

Lycoming County has identified reductions within three sectors within their planning template: agriculture, developed, and natural. Projected land use changes and population changes results in increases within the septic and wastewater sectors. Lycoming County has identified practices that result in total reductions of 254K lbs of nitrogen and 13K lbs of phosphorus.

| Sector           | Nitrogen (lbs.) | Phosphorus<br>(lbs.) |
|------------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| Agriculture      | -345,000        | -15,000              |
| Developed        | -16,000         | -1,000               |
| Natural          | -18,000         | -5,000               |
| Septic           | +1,000          | 0                    |
| Wastewater       | +125,000        | +8,000               |
| Total Reductions | -254,000        | -13,000              |



#### Information About the Watersheds

Lycoming County contains 9 major watersheds: Young Womans Creek, Pine Creek, Larrys Creek, Lycoming Creek, Loyalsock Creek, West Branch Susquehanna River, White Deer Hole Creek, Muncy Creek, and Fishing Creek. Watersheds in Lycoming County have elevated levels of nitrogen, phosphorus, and sediment. Of the 2,247 total stream miles in Lycoming County, approximately 8% have degraded aquatic communities due to causes such as disturbance, siltation (excessive sediment), metals, nutrient pollution and others.

## **County Land Use:**

Lycoming County has a total acreage of 796,050 acres. Agricultural land represents 11% of the total land with 88,400 total acres. Developed land represents another 8% of the total land in Lycoming County. Natural land, which is made up of forests, stream, and wetlands, represents the remaining 81% of the land in Lycoming County. Cropland makes up a majority of the Agriculture sector with 51,867 acres. The developed sector is mostly Non-Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4s) (79%) 50,053 acres and a smaller portion of MS4 (21%) 13,238 acres.

#### **Lycoming County:** Developed: Agriculture: Total Acres: 796,050 Total Acres: 88,400 Total Acres: 63,292 4% 11% 21% **26% 59% 79%** 81% Agriculture Cropland MS4 Developed Hay ■ Non-MS4 ■ Pasture

Other Ag

## **Local Benefits:**

Storm events are the number one way for nutrients and sediment to enter waterways. Increased runoff impacts: flooding, water quality, habitat, etc. Pollutants enter the waterways by two methods: overland runoff or leaching into groundwater.

Natural



Flooding affects safety, property, infrastructure, and economics.



Lycoming County relies on local water sources to supply drinking water to its residents.



Just like humans, Lycoming County's livestock depend on clean water.

#### Learn more and Get Involved

To learn more about the Countywide Action Plans, visit DEPs Countywide Action Plans website: dep.pa.gov/cap

