

Local Government Handbook



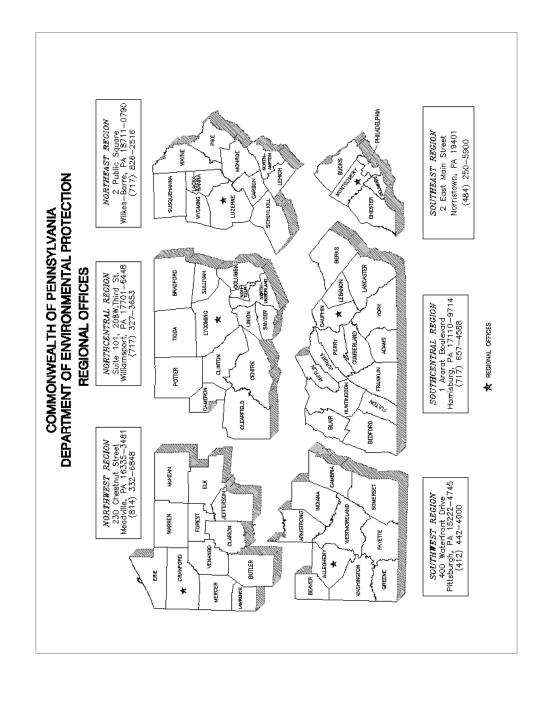
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DEP's Mission Statement

The Department of Environmental Protection's mission is to protect Pennsylvania's air, land and water from pollution and to provide for the health and safety of its citizens through a cleaner environment. We will work as partners with individuals, organizations, governments and businesses to prevent pollution and restore our natural resources.

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- provide customer service regarding environmental concerns,
 - promote effective communications,
- foster innovative problem solving, and further the overall goals of the Department of Environmental Protection.

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Grants and Technical Assistance

A. AIR QUALITY PROGRAMS

1. Clean Mower Rebate Program

Purpose to form partnership with utilities by providing rebates for electric mowers and weed whackers for the reduction of air pollution.

Contact: Nancy Herb, Bureau of Air Quality at 717-772-3926

B. ALTERNATIVE FUELS

1. Alternative Fuels Incentive Grant Program (AFIG)

Grants available to purchase alternative-fueled vehicles, develop infrastructure and to develop and evaluate new alternative fuel vehicles. Eligible applicants are school districts, municipalities, counties, cities, boroughs, townships, residents, and corporations, nonprofit entities & partnerships licensed or registered in Pennsylvania.

Currently offering grants for up to 20% of eligible costs.

Contact: Bureau of Air Quality at 717-772-3359. Application Opportunities: Available July-October 1 and February-April. For application availability, see DEP's web site at www.dep.state.pa.us, Keyword: "DEP alternative fuels".

C. ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION

1. Environmental Education Grants

Reimbursement for schools, non-profits and other organizations for the promotion of environmental education grants.

Contact: Office of Policy and Communications at

717-772-1828.

Pre-Application Letter deadline: September 21

D. ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT

1. Pollution Prevention and Energy Efficiency (P2E2) Site Grant

To fund P2E2 site assessments to introduce benefits of pollution prevention for small businesses with fewer than 100 employees and DEP permit holders. DEP will fund 80 percent of the cost of the site assessment, not to exceed \$5,000, or \$15,000 to permit holders of any size.

Contact: Mike Hitcho, Office of Energy and Technology Development at 717-772-8945.

2. Small Business Pollution Prevention Assistance Account

To provide financial assistance to small Pennsylvania businesses with fewer than 100 employees.

Contact: Jeanne Dworetzky, Office of Energy and Technology Development at 717-772-5942.

3. Pennsylvania Environmental and Energy Challenge (PEEC) Grant Program

Provides funds to address pollution prevention, pollution reduction and energy efficiency such as: fuel cells for electricity generation, small wind turbines and unique green-building designs.

Contact: Ron Stanley, DEP Grants Center at 717-705-5400 Application Deadline: July 3

E. ENERGY HARVEST GRANTS

The program will support clean and renewable energy demonstration projects and proven technologies that can help the State better manage its energy sources, improve the environment by eliminating air pollution and protecting watersheds and spur economic development.

Contact: DEP Grants Center at 717-705-5400.

F. RADON

1. Radon Awareness Grants

Grants to non-profit organizations to provide education on Radon.

Contact: Bureau of Radiation Protection at

Application deadline: open

G. WATER PLANNING OFFICE

1. Coastal Zone Management Program

Grants and technical assistance for municipalities with direct impacts on Lake Erie or the Delaware River Estuary.

Contact: Shelia Miller, Coastal Zone Management Program at

717-783-9499

Application deadline: April 1

H. FIELD OPERATIONS

1. Bureau of Regional Coordination and Program Evaluation - West Nile Virus Surveillance and Control Program

Counties are eligible for grant funding to conduct surveillance and control activities of mosquitoes that carry the West Nile Virus in their county.

Contact: Bureau of Regional Coordination and Program

Evaluation at 717-705-7694

Application deadline: October 15

2. Black Fly Suppression Program

Counties cost share this spray program for the control of black flies on a 25 percent county/75 percent state split.

Contact: Bureau of Regional Coordination and Program

Evaluation at 717-705-7694.

Application deadline: county commitment letters by January 1.

I. SEWAGE MANAGEMENT

1. Act 537 - Sewage Facilities Planning Assistance

Municipalities, counties and authorities reimbursed 50 percent of costs already paid to prepare new (or updated) official sewage plan.

Contact: Bureau of Water Supply and Wastewater Management

at 717-787-8184.

Application deadline: open

2. Act 537 - Sewage Program Enforcement Grants

Municipalities and local agencies reimbursed 50 percent to 85 percent of eligible expenses for performing sewage plan enforcement activities.

Contact: Bureau of Water Supply and Wastewater Management at 717-787-8184.

Application deadline: March 1 (60 day maximum extension)

3. Act 339 - Sewage Treatment Plant Operation Grants

Municipalities, authorities and school districts are eligible for 2 percent annual subsidy reimbursement for costs associated with acquisition and construction of public sewage treatment facilities.

Contact: Bureau of Water Supply and Wastewater Management at 717-787-6744

Application deadline: January 31

4. Training for Wastewater Treatment System Operators

Training of Wastewater Treatment System Operators.

Contact: Bureau of Water Supply and Wastewater Management at 717-787-0122.

Certification of Water and Wastewater System Operators

Contact Division of Certification, Licensing and Bonding at 717-787-5236.

5. Wastewater System Outreach Program

Technical managerial and financial assistance provided to wastewater system owners.

Contact: Bureau of Water Supply and Wastewater Management at 717-787-0122.

J. WASTE MANAGEMENT

1. Act 32 - Underground Storage Tank Heating Oil Cleanup Program

Reimbursement for costs of corrective action to assist owners of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 3,000 gallons or less used for storing heating oil for consumption on the premises where stored. The tank owner is subject to a \$1,000 deductible.

Contact: Bureau of Land Recycling and Waste Management at 717-783-7816.

Application deadline: open

2. Act 101 – Municipal Waste Planning Grants

Counties eligible for 80 percent reimbursement for preparation of waste management plans and pollution prevention education activities required by Act 101.

Contact: Bureau of Land Recycling and Waste Management at 717-787-7382.

Application deadline: open

3. Act 101 - Host Municipality Certified Inspector Reimbursement

Payment for 50 percent of cost for host municipality to employ certified inspector for landfill or resource recovery facility.

Contact: Bureau of Land Recycling and Waste Management at 717-787-9870.

Application deadline: March 31

4. Act 101 - Host Municipalities Review of Permit Applications

Up to \$10,000 grant for host municipalities for independent review of permit applications for a new landfill, resource recovery facility or expansion of an existing landfill or resource recovery facility.

Contact: Bureau of Land Recycling and Waste Management at 717-787-7381.

Application deadline: open

5. Act 101 - Recycling Coordinator Grants

Reimbursement of 50 percent of county recycling coordinator salary and expenses.

Contact: Bureau of Land Recycling and Waste Management at 717-787-7382.

Application deadline: April 30

6. Act 101 – Municipal Recycling Grants

Municipalities and counties are eligible for 90 percent reimbursement toward establishing a municipal recycling program.

Contact: Bureau of Land Recycling and Waste Management at 717-787-7382.

Application deadline: as announced in PA Bulletin

7. Act 101 - Recycling Performance Grants

Grant awards to municipalities based on weight and type of materials recycled in previous calendar year.

Contact: Bureau of Land Recycling and Waste Management at 717-787-7382.

Application deadline: solicited annually

8. Act 108 – (Hazardous Sites Cleanup Act HSCA); Evaluation Grants

Reimbursement of \$50,000 for municipalities to conduct an independent evaluation of proposed remedial response at a HSCA site.

Contact: Bureau of Land Recycling and Waste Management at 717-783-7816.

Application deadline: open

9. Act 108 - Host Municipality Siting Incentive

Payment to municipalities serving as host to a hazardous waste treatment facility.

Contact: Bureau of Land Recycling and Waste Management at 717-787-6239.

Application deadline: open

10. Act 108 -Host Municipality Permit Application / Siting Plan Reviews

Reimbursement of \$50,000 to host municipality and host county for independent review of permit application for commercial hazardous waste disposal facility or for a permit modification that would result in additional capacity for the facility.

Contact: Bureau of Land Recycling and Waste Management at 717-787-6239.

Application deadline: open

11. Act 108 - Host Municipality Certified Inspector Reimbursement

Payment for 50 percent of cost for host municipality to employ a certified inspector at commercial hazardous waste treatment facility.

Contact: Bureau of Land Recycling and Waste Management at 717-787-9870.

Application deadline: March 31

12. Act 108 - Brownfield Inventory Grants

Grants to municipalities and economic development agencies to inventory the Brownfield properties in their areas that are available for redevelopment.

Contact: Bureau of Land Recycling and Waste Management at 717-783-7816.

13. Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection Program

Counties, municipalities and other entities engaging in HHW collection and disposal programs are eligible for 50 percent reimbursement of approved costs not to exceed \$100,000 per county.

Contact: Bureau of Land Recycling and Waste Management at 717-787-7382.

Application deadline - open

14. Act 190 – Remediation of Waste Tire Pile Grants

Municipalities and other entities are eligible for reimbursement for cleanup of tire piles.

Contact: Bureau of Land Recycling and Waste Management at 717-787-7381.

Application deadline: As announced in the PA Bulletin

15. Act 198 - Resource Recovery Demonstration Grant

Grants for municipalities and authorities to establish resource recovery demonstration projects new and innovative to Pennsylvania.

Contact: Bureau of Land Recycling and Waste Management at 717-787-7382.

Application deadline: as announced in the PA Bulletin

16. Remediation of Waste Tire Pile Political Subdivision Grants

Reimbursements to political subdivisions for cleanup of tire piles or recreational projects utilizing waste tires.

Contact: Bureau of Land Recycling and Waste Management at 717-787-7381/717-787-9870

Application deadline: as announced in the PA. Bulletin

17. Storage Tank Pollution Prevention Grant Program

Grants (up to \$2,500 per tank) available to owners of six or fewer underground tanks for pumping and plugging tanks that will no longer be used.

Contact: Bureau of Land Recycling and Waste Management

1-800-42-TANKS

Application deadline: open

K. WATER RELATED PROGRAMS

1. Chesapeake Bay Program Financial Assistance Funding Program

The purpose of this grant program is to protect and improve water quality by reducing the amount of nitrogen and phosphorous in the Chesapeake Bay. Landowners must apply to their county conservation district.

Eligibility: The Bay Cost Share Program is currently open to farmers owning land in specific areas of 38 counties within Pennsylvania's Susquehanna or Potomac River Basins.

Contact: Division of Conservation Districts and Nutrient Management, Bureau of Watershed Management at 717-783-7576.

2. County Water Supply Planning Grant Program

Only counties are eligible for the grants dealing with development of county water supply plans or studies.

Contact: Bureau of Water Supply and Wastewater

Management at 717-787-0122. *Deadline: call for specific date.*

3. Federal Flood Protection Cost Share Projects

Up to 50 percent non-federal share can be funded for flood protection projects designed by federal agencies.

Contact: Bureau of Waterways Engineering at

717-787-3411

Application deadline: open

4. Flood Protection Grant Program

Up to 65 percent share of project improvements and non-routine maintenance may be funded for communities that operate and maintain state/federal protection projects.

Contact: Bureau of Waterways Engineering at 717-787-7432. *Application deadline: Call for specific date*

5. Formation of Water Authorities Grant Program

Available to two or more municipalities or counties interested in forming a water authority.

Contact: Bureau of Water Supply and Wastewater Management at 717-787-0122.

Deadline: call for specific date.

6. Growing Greener: Environmental Stewardship and Watershed Protection Act

Signed into law by Gov. Tom Ridge on December 15, 1999, Growing Greener will slash the backlog of farmland-preservation projects statewide; protect open space; eliminate the maintenance backlog in state parks; clean up abandoned mines and restore watersheds; provide funds for recreational trails and local parks; help communities address land use; and provide new and upgraded water and sewer systems.

To get an application or for more information, visit the DEP's website at www.dep.state.us, call toll-free 1-877-PAGREEN, 717-705-5400 or e-mail growinggreener@state.pa.us.

7. Non-point Source Pollution Control Projects

Funding for projects that address restoration of impaired waters or protection of high quality waters through implementation, education, monitoring, demonstration or innovative practices to control or reduce nonpoint sources of pollution.

Contact: Bureau of Watershed Management at 717-787-5259.

8. Pennsylvania Flood Protection Program

Design and construction of flood protection projects deemed economically justifiable under the state capital budget process.

Contact: Bureau of Waterways Engineering at 717-787-3411.

Application deadline: open

9. Penn Step

The Pennsylvania Small Towns Environment Program (PENN STEP) is a small-community assistance program from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection and the Department of Community and Economic Development. PENN STEP uses self-help techniques to reduce the cost of drinking water and wastewater projects.

Contact: Bureau of Water Supply and Wastewater Management at 717-787-0122.

10. Small Water Systems Regionalization Grant Program

Reimbursement for feasibility studies by local small water systems to study regionalization options.

Contact: Bureau of Water Supply and Wastewater Management

at 717-787-0122.

Application deadline: Open

11. Small Water Systems Consolidation and Construction Grant Program.

Reimbursement for physical construction of interconnections between water supplies.

Contact: Bureau of Water Supply and Wastewater Management at 717-787-0122.

Application deadline: Open

12. Stormwater Management Program

Grants and technical assistance provided to counties and municipalities for watershed planning for stormwater control (counties) and implementation of programs at local level (municipalities).

Contact: Bureau of Watershed Management at

717-772-5661.

Application deadline: Open

13. DEP Stream Bank Fencing Program (Part of Chesapeake Bay Program)

Purpose is to improve water quality by reducing bank erosion and nutrient deposits by livestock (landowners apply for free installation).

Landowners interested in the DEP Streambank Fencing Program should contact their county conservation district or the Chesapeake Bay field representative in the appropriate DEP Regional Office

or:

Contact: Division of Conservation Districts and Nutrient Management, Bureau of Watershed Management at 717 783-7576.

14. Stream Improvement Program

State provided design and construction projects to eliminate imminent threats due to flooding and streambank erosion.

Contact: Bureau of Waterways Engineering at

717-787-3411.

Application deadline: Open

15. Training for Drinking Water System Operators

Training for operators of drinking water systems.

Contact: Bureau of Water Supply and Wastewater Management

at 717-787-0122.

Certification of Water and Wastewater System Operators.

Contact: Division of Certification, Licensing and Bonding at

717-787-5236.

16. Water Resources Education Network (WREN) (a project of the League of Women Voters of PA Citizen Education Fund)

Grants to coalitions of local or regional organizations such as civic groups, governmental entities (including municipal authorities), and other public interest organizations for projects which focus on educating the community about issues surrounding the protection and improvement of community's public drinking water supply or the community's watershed.

Contact: Sherene Hess, League of Women Voters at (724) 465-4978.

17. Water and Wastewater Systems Outreach Program

Technical, managerial and financial assistance to drinking water and system operators and owners.

Contact: Bureau of Water Supply and Wastewater Management at 717-787-0122.

18. Wetlands Replacement Program

Funding available for restoration of wetlands and technical assistance available for design.

Contact: Bureau of Watershed Management at

717-787-6827.

Application deadline: open

19. Source Water Protection Grant (SWAP)

Grants are available for community water systems and municipalities to develop wellhead or watershed protection programs.

Grant requests can be up to \$50,000 for wellhead protection (groundwater source) projects, and up to \$200,000 for watershed protection (surface water source) with a 10-percent match required from the municipality or water supplier.

Source water protection grants are invaluable to help communities protect existing water supplies.

Contact: Bureau of Watershed Management, Jennifer Bandura at

772-4044

Application deadline: Call for specific date

L. WATERSHED RESTORATION

1. Watershed Restoration and Partnership

Technical assistance available for development of rehabilitation plan for any watershed problems related to abandoned mine land impacts.

Contact: Bureau of Abandoned Mine Reclamation at

717-783-2267.

Application deadline: Open

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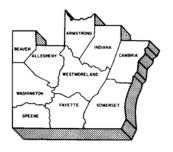
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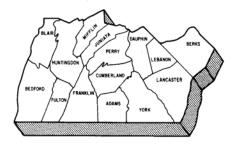
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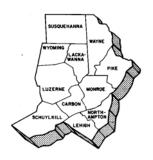
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Community Relations Coordinator	
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Ronald Yablonsky (Acting) (Susquehanna River Basin)	. 570-826-2511
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Environmental Cleanup Program	
Joseph Brogna	570-826-4902
(Site remediations, land recycling program, storage tanks)	
Waste Management Program	
William Tomayko	
(Municipal, residual, hazardous, medical waste inspection a permitting, recycling, county waste planning)	and
Water Management Program	
Kate Crowley	
(Sewage treatment inspection and permits, water pollution	discharge
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Radiation Protection Program Ivna Shanbaky	610-832-6041 ion

Mineral Resources Management Field Offices

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(Oversee the permitting and inspection of coal and industrial minerals extraction, quarry operations and mine subsidence insurance.)

Mine Subsidence Insurance 1-800-922-1678

Pottsville District Mining Office

5 West Laurel Boulevard Pottsville, PA 17901-2454

Counties: Adams, Berks, Bucks, Carbon, Chester, Columbia, Cumberland, Dauphin, Delaware, Franklin, Juniata, Lackawanna, Lancaster, Lebanon, Lehigh, Luzerne, Mifflin, Monroe, Montgomery, Montour, Northampton, Northumberland, Perry, Philadelphia, Pike, Schuylkill, Snyder, Susquehanna, Union, Wayne, Wyoming, York

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Counties: Bradford, Cameron, Centre, Clearfield, Clinton, Lycoming, Potter, Sullivan, Tioga

District Mining Manager Fax: 814-342-8216

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Armbrust Building, R.D. #2, Box 603-C Greensburg, PA 15601-0982

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District Mining Manager Fax: 724-925-5557

Cambria District Mining Office

286 Industrial Park Road Ebensburg, PA 15931-0625

Counties: Bedford, Blair, Cambria, Fulton, Huntingdon, Indiana,

Somerset

District Mining Manager Fax: 814-472-1898

Donald Barnes 814-472-1800

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White Memorial Building P.O. Box 669 Knox, PA 16232-0669

Counties: Butler, Clarion, Crawford, Elk, Erie, Forest, Jefferson,

Lawrence, McKean, Mercer, Venango, Warren

District Mining Manager Fax: 814-797-2706

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25 Technology Drive California Technology Park Coal Center, PA 15423

Any county with underground bituminous mining and subsidence issues

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Bureau of Abandoned Mine Reclamation

Wilkes-Barre District Office

2 Public Square, 5th. Floor Wilkes-Barre, PA 18711-0790

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County Conservation Districts	<u>www.pacd.org</u>
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Local Government Help Center	
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GreenWorks TV	www.GreenWorks.tv
Governor's Green Government Council.	<u>www.gggc.state.pa.us</u>
Growing Greener Program <u>w</u>	www.dep.state.pa.us/growgreen
PA Center for Environmental Education	www.pcee.org
PA Environmental Assistance Network	<u>www.pean.state.pa.us</u>
PA Geospatial Data Clearinghouse	<u>www.pasda.psu.edu</u>
PA Geospatial Information Council	<u>www.pagic.state.pa.us</u>
Watershed Information	www.PaWatersheds.org
DEP Citizens Advisory Council	<u>www.cacdep.state.pa.us</u>
County Environmental Notebooks	
<u>www.d</u>	ep.state.pa.us/countynotebooks
Drinking Water and Wastewater Operato	or Information Center
www.dep.sta	te.pa.us/dep/deputate/waterops
Act 101, Section 902 Recycling Grant A Proper Management of Recyclables inc www.dep.state.pa.us	luding Leaf Waste
Private Wells in Pennsylvania www.dep.state.pa.us, K	eyword: "DEP Private Wells"

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E.F.A.C.T.S	Keyword: "DEP eFacts"	
To Ask Questions About DEP www.dep.state.pa.us/ask_dep.html		
Environmental Protection Update		
<u>www.dep.state.pa.us</u> , l	Keyword: "DEP Update'	
Recycling <u>www.dep.state.pa.us</u> , Key	word: "DEP Recycling"	
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<u>www.state.pa.us,</u> Keyw	ord: "DEP Regulations"	
Radonwww.dep.state.pa.us, H	Keyword: "DEP Radon"	
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West Nile Surveillance Program		
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Ozone <u>www.dep.state.pa.us</u> , I	Keyword: "DEP Ozone"	
DEP Toll Free Number	rs	
Emergency Response (statewide)	800 541-2050	
EnviroHelp Business Assistance	800 722-4743	
	TDD-800 208-0937	
Low Level Radioactive Waste	800 232-2786	
Radon	800 237-2366	
Recycling	800 346-4242	
Storage Tanks	800 428-2657	
Mine Subsidence Insurance	800-922-1678	
Vehicle Emissions Inspection	800-265-0921	

Additional Resources

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Lieutenant Governor's Office	717-787-3300
Governor's Center for Local Government Services	
(Dept. of Community and Economic Development)	1-888-223-6837
Department of Environmental Protection General Information (Harrisburg)	717 702 2200
Department of Conservation and Natural Resources	
Bureau of Recreation and Conservation	
(grants, technical assistance, parks and recreation,	
trails, scenic rivers, heritage corridors)	717-783-2658
Bureau of Forestry	
Bureau of State Parks	
Bureau of Topographic and Geologic Survey	717-787-2169
PENNVEST	717 707 0127
(water, sewer, stormwater grants and loans)	
Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency (PE	
Fish and Boat Commission	717-705-7800
Game Commission	
State Conservation Commission	717-787-8821
Department of Agriculture	717-787-4737
Center for Rural Pennsylvania	717-787-9555
Pennsylvania Rural Development Council	717-787-1954
Local Government Commission	717-787-7680
Dirt and Gravel Roads Maintenance Program	717-787-8821
Natural Lands Trust	610-353-5587
	<u>www.natlands.org</u>
Center for Chesapeake Communities	410-267-8595
Pennsylvania Stream Relief	717 772-5647
Local Government Environmental Assistance Netw	
	1-877-TO-LGEAN
	717-865-4326
EPA Green Communities	

State Local Government Associations

Pennsylvania League of Cities and Municipalities

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Pennsylvania State Association of Township Commissioners

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County Commissioners Association of Pennsylvania

17 North Front Street Harrisburg, PA 17110

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Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs

2941 North Front Street Harrisburg, PA 17110

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601 Westtown Road West Chester, PA 19380-0990

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Neshaminy Manor Center Doylestown, PA 18901 Phone: 215-345-3318 FAX: 215-345-3833

Montgomery County Health Department

Department of Health Montgomery County Human

Services Center 1430 DeKalb Street Norristown, PA 19404 Phone: 610-278-5117 FAX: 610-278-5167

Bethlehem Health Bureau 10 East Church Street Bethlehem, PA 18018 Phone: 610-865-7087

FAX: 610-865-7326

York City Bureau of Health

One Market Way West P.O. Box 509

York, PA 17405 Phone: 717-849-2252 Fax: 717-849-2329 **Erie County Health Department**

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Erie, PA 16507

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Delaware County

Intercommunity Health Coordination

Government Center Building

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Allentown, PA 18102 Phone: (610) 437-7760 FAX: (610) 437-8799

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Delaware	John Pickett	610-891-5200
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Greene	Ann Bargerstock	724-852-5236
Huntingdon	Richard E. Stahl	814-643-5091
Indiana	Byron G. Stauffer, Jr.	724-465-3870
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Berks County	John T. Ravert	610-372-4657
Blair County	Donna Fisher	814-696-0877
Bradford County	Michael Lovegreen	570-265-5539
Bucks County	Vacant	215-345-7577
Butler County	Ronald Fodor	724-284-5270
Cambria County	Robert Piper, Jr.	814-472-2120
Cameron County	Jan Hampton	814-486-2244
Carbon County	James J. Clauser	610-377-4894
Centre County	Robert E. Sweitzer	814-355-6817
Chester County	Daniel Greig	610-696-5126
Clarion County	Susan Kribbs	814-226-4070
Clearfield County	Susan Reed	814-765-2629
Clinton County	Mary Ann Bower	570-726-3798
Columbia County	Maryruth Wagner	570-784-1310
Crawford County	Lynn Sandieson	814-724-1793
Cumberland County	Carl Goshorn	717-240-7812
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Delaware County	Edward Magargee	610-892-9484
Elk County	Robert Dippold	814-776-5373
Erie County	Leroy Gross	814-796-6760
Fayette County	Doug Petro	724-438-4497
Forest County	Doug Carlson	814-755-3450
Franklin County	Ernest Tarner	717-264-8074
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Indiana County	Jim Resh	724-463-8547
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Monroe County	Craig Todd	570-629-3060
Montgomery County	Richard Kadwill	610-489-4506
Montour County	Tammy Welliver	570-271-1140
Northampton County	Jack Moulton	610-746-1971
Northumberland County	Dennis Diorio	570-286-7114
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Pike County	Susan Beecher	570-226-8221
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Schuylkill County	Craig Morgan	570-622-3742
Snyder County	Craig Bingman	570-837-0007
Somerset County	David A. Steele	814-445-4652
Sullivan County	Jacquelyn Rouse	570-924-3178
Susquehanna County	Lillian Theophanis	570-278-4600
Tioga County	Ralph Brugger	570-724-1801
Union County	Ted Retallack	570-523-8782
Venango County	Vacant	814-676-2832
Warren County	Rick Mader	814-563-3117
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Growing Greener: Environmental Stewardship and Watershed Protection Act

Growing Greener is the largest single investment of state funds in Pennsylvania's history to address Pennsylvania's

critical environmental concerns of the 21st century. Based on recommendations made by the Governor's 21st Century Environment Commission, Growing Greener directs nearly \$650 million over five years to the new Environmental Stewardship Fund.

Signed into law by the Ridge/Schweiker Administration on Dec. 15, 1999, Growing Greener will slash the backlog of farmland-preservation projects statewide; protect open space; eliminate the maintenance backlog in state parks; clean up abandoned mines and restore watersheds; provide funds for recreational trails and local parks; help communities address land use; and provide new and upgraded water and sewer systems.

The Department of Agriculture will administer farmland preservation projects, while state park renovations and improvements will be overseen by the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR). Water and sewer system upgrades will be administered through the Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority (PENNVEST).

For it's part, the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) is authorized to allocate nearly \$240 million in grants for:

- Watershed restoration and protection;
- Abandoned mine reclamation; and
- Abandoned oil and gas well plugging projects.

Specific grant activities will include abandoned mine cleanup efforts, oil and well plugging, as well as planning and implementing local watershed-based conservation efforts, including those that abate acid mine drainage.

DEP has established the DEP Grants Center to assist those interested in applying for funds. A wide variety of organizations are eligible for Growing Greener grants. Counties, local governments, authorities, conservation districts, watershed associations and other nonprofit groups involved in watershed restoration and protection may apply.

DEP has designated five categories of watershed projects that can be funded through Growing Greener:

- Organization of a watershed group;
- Watershed assessments;
- Development of a watershed restoration or protection plan;
- Implementation of a watershed restoration or protection plan; and
- Demonstration, education and outreach projects.

Communication and coordination are key to the success of Growing Greener. Prospective applicants for watershed projects should discuss the project with DEP's Regional Watershed Managers and the County Conservation Districts. For abandoned mine reclamation projects, applicants should contact DEP's District Mining Office Watershed Managers, or the Bureau of Abandoned Mine Reclamation field offices.

All projects must include a letter of acknowledgement from the County Conservation District. In addition, projects involving abandoned mine reclamation or acid mine drainage abatement must include a letter of acknowledgement from either the Western or Eastern Pennsylvania Coalitions for Abandoned Mine Reclamation. Letters of support from project partners are also strongly encouraged.

Growing Greener represents a historic opportunity for Pennsylvanians to protect and restore our environment. The success of the program is contingent upon coordination and communication at all levels – volunteer watershed groups, community and business leaders, and local, state and federal government agencies. Only with the involvement of all of these partners can the Commonwealth truly benefit from this landmark program and help Pennsylvania "grow greener".

Further questions should be directed as follows:

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Considering Local Land Use Plans and Ordinances In Issuing DEP Permits

On June 22, 2000, Gov. Tom Ridge signed into law Acts 67 and 68 to carry out a major part of his Growing Smarter initiative. These new laws amend the Municipalities Planning Code to provide new planning tools to local governments and encourage sound land use planning at the local level. The Acts also require state government agencies to consider local land use comprehensive plans and zoning ordinances in making certain permit and funding decisions.

To fulfill its obligations under these new laws, the Department of Environmental Protection adopted an Interim Policy on August 21, 2000. The Interim Policy outlined the steps that DEP would take to consider local land use planning and zoning when reviewing permit applications for facilities and infrastructure. After an extended public comment period, DEP developed a final land use policy. The final policy went into effect on January 29, 2001.

The objective of the policy is to avoid or minimize conflicts between DEP decisions and local land use decisions.

Through our website, you can find links to a complete copy of the final policy and responses to public comments about the policy, the current version of the General Information Form for permit applicants, a list of permits that are affected by the land use policy, copies of Acts 67, 68 and 127, lists of county and local officials, and more!

If you have general questions about the policy, contact the DEP Policy Office at 717-783-8727.

If you have questions about a specific application or project, please contact the appropriate DEP Regional Office or District Mining Office.

To find out more about land use in Pennsylvania, including Technical Assistance and Financial Assistance for communities that want to plan, and the latest news in land use topics, please visit www.landuseinpa.com.



Reclaim PA, includes legislative, policy and management initiatives designed to enhance mine operator, volunteer and DEP reclamation efforts. Reclaim PA has the following four objectives.

- ◆ To encourage private and public participation in abandoned mine reclamation efforts;
- ◆ To improve reclamation efficiency through better communication between reclamation partners;
- To increase reclamation by reducing remining risks;
- ◆ To maximize reclamation funding by expanding existing sources; and exploring new sources.

For more information on Reclaim PA, visit the website at www.dep.state.pa.us, Keyword: "DEP Reclaim PA."



What is a GIS?

A Geographic Information System (GIS) is a computer system capable of assembling, storing, manipulating, and displaying geographically referenced information. Local governments can use GIS to create maps for zoning and planning, locations of utilities, identifying flood plains, and locating street signs, utility lines and phone booths. Each map, or layer, is interactive and can be compared to other layers in the system to gather information.

Uses of GIS technology

GIS uses are virtually unlimited. Some of the more popular ones include:

- Maintaining property records;
- Emergency services planning;
- Crime analysis time, place, type;
- Roads maintenance, paving, inspection, condition;
- Health planning hazardous waste sites;
- Parks and recreation sites;
- Utility lines;
- Soil types;
- · Vegetation; and
- Zoning and planning.

For more information on GIS, call 717-787-7116 or visit the DEP website www.dep.state.pa.us, Keyword: "DEP GIS"

[&]quot;Many municipalities are starting to integrate GIS into their daily operations."

--Pennsylvania Township News -- June 1998



www.dep.state.pa.us, Keyword: "DEP eFacts"

Have you ever wondered if your municipality is complying with environmental laws and regulations?

Would like to know the results of inspections at your own municipality owned or operated facilities or at facilities in your municipality?

Have you ever wondered how facilities in your neighborhood compare to similar facilities elsewhere in Pennsylvania?

Wouldn't it be useful if you could determine the kinds of violations that most often occur at municipality owned and operated facilities and were able to provide targeted training to reduce or prevent future violations.

The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection's Environmental Facility, Application, Compliance Tracking System (EFACTS) can provide you with the answers to these questions and other questions.

Just go to the DEP homepage and click on the EFACTS logo that looks like the one at the top of this page, or type in the address directly. From there you will be prompted on how to search for information. You can search by the name of the facility (site name), the name of the owner or operator (client name) or by geography.

If you cannot find a particular record, it may be because you have provided a different name, the facility has not been inspected or the record has not been loaded onto the web site. Try not to be too specific on your search names for your first searches. If your search returns too many records, you can always try to make the word search more specific.

DEP's eNOTICE

Get free alert messages by e-mail as soon as new permit applications are submitted to DEP in your township, borough, city or county and then track those permits through the permit review process. To start, register your e-mail at the EFACTS website and create your own password-protected tracking list.



What Are Environmental Advisory Councils?

In 1973, the Pennsylvania General Assembly passed Act 148 authorizing any municipality or group of municipalities to establish, by ordinance, an environmental advisory council (EAC) to advise the local planning commission, park and recreation board, and elected officials on matters dealing with the protection, conservation, management, promotion and use of natural resources located within the municipality's, or group of municipalities', territorial limits.

What Do EACs Do?

Act 148 empowers environmental advisory councils to:

- Identify environmental problems and recommend plans and programs to the appropriate agencies for the promotion and conservation of natural resources and for the protection and improvement of the quality of the environment;
- Promote a community environmental program;
- Make recommendations for the possible use of open land areas of the municipality;
- Keep an index of all open space, publicly and privately owned, including but not limited to flood-prone areas, swamps, and other unique natural area, for the purpose of obtaining information on the proper use of such areas; and
- Advise the appropriate local governmental agencies, including but not limited to the planning commission, the recreation and park board, and the elected governing body on the acquisition of property, both real and personal.

The EAC Network

The Pennsylvania Environmental Council created The EAC Network to encourage the establishment of new EACs and promote the effectiveness of existing councils. The Network's goals are to expand EAC programs across the Commonwealth, strengthen their role in environmental decision-making and encourage the state to actively provide them with assistance.

The EAC Network will enable newly-formed EACs to draw from the experience of successful councils, providing them with a wealth of information and support. It will also provide important services, publications and contact with established councils, which will facilitate their effective operation.

For more information call the EAC at 215-563-0250 or www.pecpa.org.



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The Environmental Protection *Update* newsletter and the DEP website were created to support this growing community by providing the latest environmental news and serving as a forum for new ideas.

Information on new legislation; regulations; a calendar of meetings; conferences and workshops; independent opinions; tips on protecting the environment; and preventing pollution and early notice of grants available are all included in one handy place.

Environmental Futures Planning

In 1998, the 21st Century Environment Commission created by the Ridge/Schweiker Administration to set environmental priorities for the next century recommended that DEP change its process for deciding how to allocate resources, to focus on results first, and activities second. DEP is doing this through its Environmental Futures Planning Process (EFP2).

The process has three fundamental principles: performance, priorities and partnerships. First, though, DEP has divided the state into 34 watershed planning teams, so that the process could focus on local issues as much as possible.

Performance is measured by 17 "indicators" of environmental conditions--miles of clean streams, number of people breathing healthy air, amount of waste generated, etc. We will follow these indicators over to time to see if improvements are being made, and if not, adjust DEP resources accordingly.

Priorities are established once we find what the conditions are in each watershed and around the state, based on those 17 indicators. The conditions--good and bad--and their causes tell us where the priorities are. For instance, storm water runoff could be a major problem in one watershed area, while air pollution could be a big one in another. In addition, the causes of storm water problems, and air pollution, can vary from one area to the next.

Partnerships help bring all of this together. Without local involvement in determining the environmental conditions and their causes, and in deciding priorities, the effort will fall short. Municipalities, County Conservation Districts, Environmental Advisory Councils, watershed organizations, local businesses—they all will help DEP watershed planning teams work through this process as DEP decides the top priorities around the state.

DEP initiated the EFP2 process in 2001. Detailed Action Plans are published on the EFP2 web-pages. The planning cycle will be repeated annually, beginning in March, 2003.

To find out more about Environmental Futures Planning, visit DEP's website at www.dep.state.pa.us, Keyword: "DEP Environmental Futures" or contact Doug Brennan at 717 787-9373.

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Pennsylvania's West Nile Encephalitis Surveillance Program

What Is West Nile Encephalitis?

What is West Nile encephalitis?

West Nile encephalitis is caused by West Nile virus, a flavivirus previously only found in Africa, Eastern Europe and West Asia. Encephalitis means an inflammation of the brain and can be caused by either head injury, bacterial infections, or, most commonly, viral infections.

How can I get it?

People are infected from the bite of a Northern house mosquito that is infected with the virus. Mosquitoes get it when they bite, or take a blood meal, from birds infected with West Nile. Those mosquitoes then transmit the virus to people and animals when taking a blood meal.

Who is most at risk?

People over 50 years of age have the highest risk of developing severe illness because as we age, our bodies have a harder time fighting off disease. People with compromised immune systems are also at risk; however, anyone can get the virus.

What are the symptoms?

Mild infections are common and include fever, headache, and body aches, often with skin rash and swollen lymph glands. Headache, high fever, neck stiffness, stupor, disorientation, coma, tremors, occasional convulsions, and paralysis mark more severe infection.

Is there treatment?

There is no specific therapy. In more severe cases, hospitalization and intensive supportive therapy may be needed.

Have people died from West Nile encephalitis?

In New York City last summer, seven of the 60 people infected died from the virus. Historically, about 3 to 15 percent of the people infected have died, especially seniors.

Protecting Yourself and Your Family Against Insect Bites

- Identify and eliminate all sources of standing water that collects on your property. Mosquitoes will breed in any puddle that lasts for more than four days.
- Dispose of tin cans, plastic containers, ceramic pots or similar water holding containers that have collected on your property. Do not overlook containers that have become overgrown by aquatic vegetation.
- Pay special attention to discarded tires that may have collected water on your property. They can serve as a breeding ground for mosquitoes.
- Drill holes in the bottom of recycling containers that are left out of doors.
 Drainage holes that are located on the container sides collect enough water for mosquitoes to breed in.
- Have clogged roof gutters cleaned on an annual basis, particularly if the leaves from surrounding trees have a tendency to block drains.
- Turn over plastic wading pools when not in use. A wading pool becomes a place for mosquitoes to breed if it is not used on a regular basis.
- Turn over wheelbarrows and do not allow water to stagnate in birdbaths.
- Aerate ornamental pools or stock them with fish. Water gardens are fashionable but become major mosquito breeding grounds if they are allowed to stagnate.
- Keep swimming pools clean and chlorinated. A swimming pool that is left
 untended for a month becomes a source of mosquito breeding. Be aware that
 mosquitoes may even breed in the water that collects on swimming pool covers.

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