

## James Clauser

Environmental Vegetation Specialist

Appointed: July 2009

PPL

Appointing Authority: Speaker of the House

Carbon County

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### Education:

- Associate Degree in Forest Technology, Williamsport Area Community College

### Professional Affiliations and Honors:

Jim accepted his current position with PPL Electric Utilities as an environmental vegetation specialist working in various PPL regions. Jim began his career with PPL in September of 2010.

Prior to his current position with PPL, Jim worked for the Carbon County Conservation District for 21 years as the district manager. During his tenure at the Carbon County Conservation District he received the Northeastern Pennsylvania Partnership Award for work performed on the First Hollow Stream Restoration Project in Nesquehoning Pennsylvania. He also received the "Friends of the Lehigh River" award from the Wildlands Conservancy, Emmaus Pennsylvania, for work that he contributed in the Lausanne Tunnel Discharge Wetland Treatment Project.

In the beginning of Jim's career, Jim worked as a forest technician with a private forest consultant firm from the Mt. Carmel Pennsylvania area. He also worked with the Northumberland County Conservation District as a soil conservation technician.

Other work activities both past and present include conservation planning for the Lehigh Conservation District's Agricultural Easement Program and field work for the Dirt and Gravel Road Program in Lehigh County. Jim has obtained and continues his accreditation with the National Institute for Certification in Engineering Technologies (NICET) being certified in Land Management & Water Control for Erosion and Sediment Control activities.

In furthering his career opportunities Jim worked with an engineering consultant designing erosion control plans along with their corresponding environmental permits. Jim also worked with a professional land surveyor in the Carbon County area.

Jim is a board member of the Western Pocono Trout Unlimited, belongs to the Paradise Hunting and Fishing Club, Jim Thorpe Masonic Lodge 242, USDA Pocono Northeast Resource Conservation and Development Council, and other organizations in the Carbon County area.