

Water Allocation Training

Watershed Management Water Allocation Training

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Training Objectives:

Provide a general overview of the Water Allocation permitting program

Water Rights Act 1939

- Effective June 24, 1939
- Surface Water Only
- Definitions
 - Acquisition and acquisition of water
 - Public Water Supply Agency
 - Water Rights
- Orders of Confirmation within one year

Water Rights Act 1939

- Permits required for new or increased withdrawals
- Findings before issuance of permit
- Permit Conditions
- Permit Compliance Report

Acquisition

The act of acquiring water rights. Acquire shall mean to secure or become vested with rights either by purchase, lease, gift, devise, adverse possession, prescription, eminent domain, waiver of damages, settlement of damages, appropriation or otherwise.

Acquisition of Water

- Interconnection between a permit holder and a buying PWS (aka consecutive system)
- Commonwealth Court decision that affirms the requirement for permit
- Common nomenclature is Subsidiary Permit

Water Rights

The right to take or divert water from any rivers, streams, natural lakes and ponds or other surface waters within or partly within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Legal Opinions and Decisions have included springs, river wells, interconnections with SW PWS (subsidiary)

Public Water Supply Agency (PWSA)

Any corporation or municipal or quasimunicipal corporation, district or authority incorporated under the laws of Pennsylvania with the power, authority, right or franchise to serve water to the public in all or part of any municipal or political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Public Water Supply Agency

- Municipal
- Municipal Authorities
- Private Investor Owned regulated by PUC operating under a Certificate of Public Convenience
- Incorporated Water Associations

Public Water Supply Agency does not include:

- Unincorporated Water Associations
- Mobile Home Parks
- BVRB systems (Bottled, Vended, Retail and Bulk Water Hauling Systems)

Orders Of Confirmation

- PWSA to file within one year of effective date of Act a record upon which prior acquisition was lawfully accomplished.
- Prior compliance with 1937 Act deemed compliance with 1939 Act.
- Nomenclature added by WPRB.

Water Acquisition Record

- Public record of all issued Orders and Permits as required by Section 4 of the Act
- Includes list of all PWSA not holding a valid Permit
- Housed in WUDS database

Minimum Application Content

- Name of river, stream water is to be taken including necessity
- Amount need for present purpose and future need
- Municipality and the population to be served
- Plan of development or use of the water, including impounding reservoir capacities
- Such other additional applicable information

Findings Required by the Act

- Proposed allocation will not conflict with water rights held by another PWSA
- Reasonably necessary for present and future needs
- Will not interfere with navigation
- Will not interfere with public safety
- Will not cause injury to the Commonwealth

Failure to Acquire

- PWSA should acquire water rights within one year after permit issuance or DEP may revoke.
- PWSA must begin actual taking of water within four years of issuance of permit or acquisition is null and void.
- Extension may be granted if events beyond control of permittee prevent actual taking within four years.

Eminent Domain

Act provides Public Water Supply
Agencies holding a permit may exercise
the right of eminent domain with respect
to appropriation of water and the water
rights



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APPLICATION FOR WATER ALLOCATION

DEP USE ONLY Before completing this form, Application ID# (Assigned by DEP) read the step-by-step instructions Stamp Date Application Received provided with this Permit form. SECTION A. APPLICANT IDENTIFIER **Applicant Name:** SECTION B. For public water supply agencies where a municipal authority and a municipality are involved jointly in the financing, operation and maintenance of the water system, describe the relationship of the municipal authority to the municipality and the respective duties and functions of each entity. SECTION C. SOURCE(S) FOR WHICH ALLOCATION IS BEING REQUESTED: Quantity of Allocation Safe Yield³ Location of Taking Point (latitude/longitude) Requested Type² Name of Source¹ (gpd) (gpd) **TOTAL** XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

- Applications for subsidiary allocation must be accompanied by a statement from the public water supply agency or person providing water that the proposed quantity is available for acquisition by the applicant where the contract amount does not agree with the allocation request. For applications for subsidiary allocation only, Column 4 (Safe Yield) need not be completed and Column 5 (Taking Point) should indicate location of interconnection. Subsidiary permits are issued on a peak month 30-day basis.
- Type: Peak Day PD, Peak Month (30-day) PM, Average Day AD, Average Annual AA, Other O (explain).

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SECTION D. PRIOR PERMITS DETAIL		
Name of Permit	Permit Issue Date	Permit Number
Public Water Supply Permit		
Dams Permit		
Soils and Waterways Permit		
Other		
SECTION E. ALLOCATION REQUEST JUSTIFICATION		
Show by <u>calculation</u> how the Quantity of Allocation Requested was determined. Will this allocation alternative sources of supply considered in lieu of requesting a new or increased allocation for the sources.	n be adequate for the nex ces listed in Section C.	tt 25 years? Describe

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SECTION F. EXISTING SOURCES, INCL Name of Source	Average Daily	LS: Days Use During	Safe	W	ells	Туре	Location of	Is Withdrawal from from Source
	Withdrawal ¹ (gpd)	Calendar Year	Yield ² (d/ d)	Depth (ft)	Diameter (in)	of Use ³	Taking Point (latitude/longitude)	Metered? (Yes / No)
TOTAL				XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	xxxxxxxxx	XXXXXXXXX

- 1 Provide as an attachment monthly Daily Water Withdrawal Reports for the most recent two calendar years.
- Provide method of computation or submit copies of test data.
- Indicate if source is used on Regular-R, Auxiliary-A, or Emergency-E basis.

SECTION G. INTERCONNECTIONS WITH OTHER PUBLIC WATER SUPPLIERS:1

a. List each interconnection with other public suppliers. (Mark with an "M" if metered and an "E" if for emergency use)

		Average Quantity of Water Transferred (gpd)			Maximum Transfer		Maximum Hydraulic	
Name of Supplier	From Appl	icant	To Appli	cant	Limit per Agı	eement (gpd)	Transfer Cap	pability (gpd)
	Quantity	Days	Quantity	Days	From Applicant	To Applicant	From Applicant	To Applicant
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TOTAL		xx		XX	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx		

- 1 Provide for each interconnection with other public water suppliers, both existing and proposed, a copy of the curren tagreement governing the transfer of water.
- b. Provide as an attachment the most recent two calendar-year history for each interconnection listed above, showing the date of meter reading and gallons transferred

SECTION H. INSTREAM INTAKES EXCLUDING DAMS (existing and/or proposed)

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Name of Stream	Built	Survey	(latitude/longitude)	(mg)	(acres)	(sq mi)	Yes	No
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1 Incluse reservoir elevation-area-capacity curve for ea	ach dam as a	in attachment to t	his application.	<u> </u>		•		

Does the dam have facilities to provide a release of water to the stream when water is not flowing over the spillway or top of dam? If yes, describe length, diameter, depth, valving, etc.

Will present treatment plant(s) be expanded or a new plant constructed? Yes NoDate of application Permitted STORAGE RESERVOIRS, STANDPIPES OR TANKS (existing "E" and/or proposed "P") Cotation (latitude/longitude) Cota							
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SECTION K. TREATED STORAGE RESERVOIRS.	STANDPIPE	S OR T	ANKS (existin	g "E" and/or proposed	"P")		
Name		(latitud	le/longitude)	Type of Construction	(gallons)		
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TOTAL			XXXXXXX				XXX

SECTION L. DISPOSAL OF WASTEWATER RESULTING FROM THE WATER SUPPLY PROVIDED TO THE SERVICE AREA: a. Wastewater treatment plants: Amount Treated from Service Area Percent of (gpd)¹ Name of Sewage Treatment Plant **Total Use** Name of Receiving Stream **SUBTOTAL** b. On-site disposal: c. Other (See instructions): **TOTAL** 100.00 Total for column should approximate the Average Day for the most recent calendar year reported in Section N.

Name of Each Municipality or	Number of Domestic	Present	Actual Population	Projected Population Served ³			
Political Subdivision	Connections ¹	Population	Served ²	2010	2020	2030	
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Provide an explanation of how apartments, condominiums	, and other multifamily connect	tions are handled for	purposes of calculati	ng actual and pro	jected population	served:	
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SECTION Q. METHODS BY WHICH THE PROPOSED ACQUISITION OF WATER RIGHTS OR WATER IS TO BE EFFECTED

Method or methods by which the proposed acquisition of water rights or water is to be effected, i.e., merger, consolidation, purchase, eminent domain, etc.

SECTION R. IMPACT OF THE PROPOSED ACQUISITION

Describe the impact the proposed acquisition will have on aquatic life and other instream uses and needs. Provide details and a copy of any biological, instream flow or other studies which have been completed on sources listed in Section C. Provide information as to which species of fish occur within the stream both above and below the point of withdrawal. A statement that no impacts are expected since the withdrawal has been occurring for the nast X years is not an acceptable answer.

SECTION S. DESCRIPTION OF THE SYSTEM'S OPERATION

Describe the system's present and proposed future operation, including a description of major facilities, and all plans for any major future expansion, modification, or other alteration of facilities or addition of new service area.

SECTION T. TIMETABLE

Provide a timetable for the construction of facilities required to use the requested allocation. (Examples - new dam, new intake, new pipeline, new treatment plant additions or modification, etc.)

SECTION U. DESCRIPTION OF PRESENT AND FUTURE WATER CONSERVATION PROGRAM

Describe the applicant's present and future water conservation program. The Department will review the program for the inclusion of the following items:

- (1) A continuing, scheduled program of public education utilizing public media and direct contact with customers to encourage water conservation.
- (2) A program in cooperation with local governments in the service area, to develop, adopt, and implement an ordinance requiring the use of flow-reduction devices in all new construction and remodeling work requiring a building permit.
- (3) Contact and consultation with significantly large multi-family residential, institutional, industrial, and commercial water users to encourage the implementation of all feasible water conservation measures.
- (4) Contact with plumbing, hardware, and/or plumbing fixture suppliers to encourage the sale and promotion of flow reduction equipment.
- (5) A program which incorporates water conservation requirements in service agreements with new users, particularly for residential subdivisions and industrial and/or commercial developers as well as existing users.
- (6) Installation of water meters to record water use by each individual household, commercial, industrial, or other user. How are apartment houses and other multiple dwelling units metered?
- (7) A systematic program to test meters measuring withdrawals from the source(s) on a regularly scheduled basis to insure their accuracy.
- (8) A program to test customer service meters on a regular schedule of inspection, repair, and replacement to insure their measuring accuracy. Indicate meter testing/replacement schedule, including the number of each size meter tested/replaced on an annual basis.

SECTION V. DESCRIPTION OF LEAK DETECTION PROGRAM

Provide a description of the applicant's present and future leak detection program. The Department will review the program for the inclusion of the following items:

- (1) A regular program to detect and correct water leakage in the system.
- (2) A program for installing, maintaining, and regularly reading measuring devices at strategic points in the water system so that leaks may be detected, isolated, and repaired.
- (3) A systematic program for the replacement and rehabilitation of transmission and distribution lines and facilities.
- (4) A system to maintain records of the actions taken to monitor, repair, and prevent system losses. Give details on record-keeping and review of system losses
- (5) A regular schedule of valve and hydrant inspection for operability and leakage. Indicate the total number of hydrants and valves within the system and the percentage of each sounded and exercised on an annual basis.

SECTION W. DAILY OPERATIONS PLAN INCORPORATING A DROUGHT CONTINGENCY PLAN

Does the applicant have a daily operations plan incorporating a drought contingency plan? Provide a copy of the applicant's daily operations plan. The plan must include the following items.

- (1) Explanation of daily decisions on which sources are utilized.
- (2) Monitors to measure availability of water at the source(s).
- (3) Triggering levels to take actions during droughts.
- (4) Measures to be taken to conserve the available water supply.
- (5) Staged voluntary and mandatory water use restrictions.
- (6) The identification of available emergency sources or interconnections.
- (7) A means of enforcing the water use restrictions

SECTION X. OVERALL SYSTEM MAP (PLEASE READ INSTRUCTIONS FOR THIS SECTION)

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proposed surface and groun springs, booster stations, sta	dwater sources of supply, includ ndpipes, transmission mains and also show service areas of waste	p on 7.5 minute series USGS Quadrangle ming and labeling all pumping stations, purifinterconnections with other suppliers, and an water treatment plants, their points of dischar	cation and/or filter plants, reservoirs, wells, outline of the present and proposed future
SECTION Y. CERTII	ICATE AND SIGNATU	RE	
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Section X MAP Requirement

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APPLICATION FOR WATER ALLOCATION CHECKLIST FOR SUBMITTAL

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	Please check the following list to make sure a check mark in the column provided for all items	Application ID#	OR DEP USE * * * e Application Received			
	Failure to provide all of the requested inform esult in the application being placed ON HOLD to application file closed.					
	ENCLOSE THIS CHECKLIST WITH	H YOUR APPLICATION FORM.				
		Requirement			Check If Include	
1.	Have you read all the instructions accompanying	ng the application form prior to completing t	ne form?			
2.	Have all items been completed?					
3.	Has additional information been provided, when	re required?				
4.	Has application been signed and notarized?					
5.	Has a specific quantity of allocation been reque	ested for each source listed in Section C?				
6.	Has required map been prepared and enclosed covering the following items is not included, the					
	Sources of Supply:					
	Wells					
	Springs					
	Reservoirs					
	Interconnections					
	Intakes					
	Standpipes					
	Present Service Area			***************************************		
	Future Service Area					
	Wastewater System Service Area					
	Points of Discharge					
7.	Has application fee been enclosed? (\$25 Che	ck or money order payable to the Common	wealth of	Pennsylvania)		
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A "complete" Water Allocation Permit Application includes:

- \$25.00 check payable to Commonwealth of PA
- General Information Form (GIF)
- Completed application with supporting information
- Application signed, notarized, signed and sealed by P.E.
- Act 14 municipal, county and planning agency notification
- Eight (8) or more copies

Subject to MBG review timeframes:

- Total review timeframe = 245 days
 - Admin Complete Review = 20 days
 - Tech 1 Review = 90 days
 - Tech 2 Review = 45 days
 - Decision Review = 90 days

Water Allocation Application Review Process

- Application received and reviewed for Administrative Completeness
- Publish PA Bulletin Notice
- Solicit comments from Review Agencies
- Technical review by regional TSS Staff
- Resolve technical issues and prepare WA permit
- Coordinate with RBCs (if applicable) prior to permit issuance
- Issue WA permit.





Submission of Application



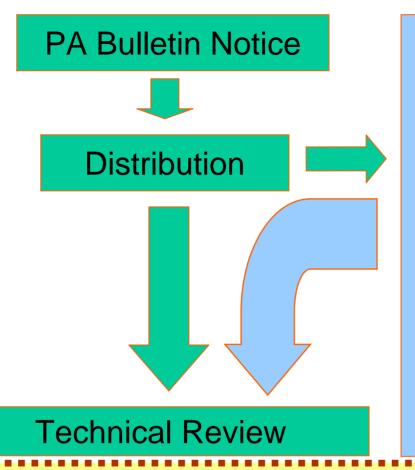




Administrative Completeness Details

- Application Forms and GIF Signed, sealed & notarized as needed
- Fee (currently \$25)
- Act 14 County and Municipal Notices
- Map relative to Section X of Application





Possible Distribution River Basin Comm

Fish & Boat

Central Office

Other Agencies

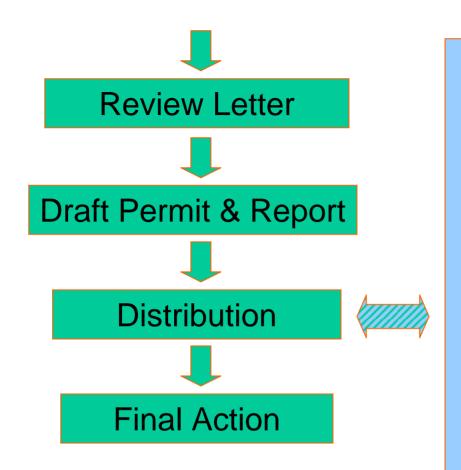
Downstream Users

PUC

Municipalities

Technical Review Details

- Verify Allocation requested is available (Safe yields, conflicts w/other users, other permit limitations)
- Justification of Present and Future Needs
- Environmental Reviews (Impacts & Mitigation)



Possible Distribution River Basin Comm Fish & Boat **Central Office** Other Agencies **Downstream Users PUC** Municipalities

Administrative Review

- Determine if application is complete
- Send Administrative Complete / Incomplete letter
- Process permit fee
- Publish PA Bulletin Notice
- Send application to review agencies and request comments within 30 days

Review Agencies

- Internal DEP review (DWUP, DDS, WQM)
- Local municipalities and County Planning Agency
- PA Fish and Boat Commission
- US Army Corps of Engineers (navigation)
- DCNR (State Forest lands)

- PAGC (State Game lands)
- River Basin Commission
- Identified or Known Downstream Users
- Selling PWSA for Subsidiary Permits
- PUC
- Others?

Technical Review

- Population and Water Use
- Source Safe Yield including Diversions
- Demand vs. Supply
- Instream Flow Requirement
- Comments Received
- Seller's Capacity (subsidiary)
- Findings required by Act and Article 27

Population and Water Use

- 2000 U.S. Census data
- DWUP system population projections
- Annual Water Supply Reports
- Projected future connections
- Water use over past 10-years
- Act 537 data
- Unaccounted-for water loss

Source Safe Yield

- Water supply available during drought
- Reservoir yield analysis (Bulletin No. 7

 Long Duration Low Flow and draft rate method)
- River and stream intakes (reference gage, B15, 82-21 and future StreamStats)
- Springs (historical flow data?)

Diversions

- Intrabasin and Interbasin diversions
- River Basin Commission review and policies
- Sewage Treatment Plant discharges

Demand vs. Supply

- Allocation based on:
 - Population projections and water use data
 - 25-year planning period
 - Existing sources (surface, groundwater and interconnections
 - Instream flow requirements

Instream Flow Requirements

- Withdrawal < 10% Q ₇₋₁₀ = no impact
- May 1998 Instream Flow Study:
 - Passby or conservation release based on acceptable habitat loss as determined by model
 - Applicable to reproducing trout streams with drainage areas < 100 square miles
 - Limited to Ridge & Valley Limestone, Ridge & Valley Freestone, Unglaciated Plateau and Piedmont Upland Freestone

1992 PFBC Position Paper:

- A. 25% ADF = EV, HQ or reproducing trout streams
- B. 20% ADF = All streams not included in A above
- C. 15% ADF = AMD streams with some aquatic life
- D. Q₇₋₁₀ = Severely degraded streams or limestone streams where Q₇₋₁₀ > 25% ADF

Instream Flow Requirements

- IFIM –Instream Flow Incremental Methodology (future training sessions)
- Indicators of Hydrologic Alteration (under study)

Findings Required by the Act

- Proposed allocation will not conflict with water rights held by another PWSA
- Reasonably necessary for present and future needs
- Will not interfere with navigation
- Will not interfere with public safety
- Will not cause injury to the Commonwealth

Article I, Section 27 of the Pennsylvania Constitution, as adopted in 1971

 The people have a right to clean air, pure water, and to the preservation of the natural scenic, historic, and esthetic values of the environment. Pennsylvania's public natural resources are the common property of all the people, including generations yet to come. As trustee of these resources, the Commonwealth shall conserve and maintain them for the benefit of all of the people.

Article I, Section 27 (continued)

- The DEP is required to measure its actions concerning issuance of a permit by the three point test announced in <u>Payne et</u> al. v. Kassab et al., This test is:
 - Was there compliance with all applicable statutes and regulations relevant to the protection of the Commonwealth's public natural resources?
 - Does the record demonstrate a reasonable effort to reduce environmental incursion to a minimum?
 - Does the environmental harm which will result from the challenged decision or action so clearly outweigh the benefits to be derived therefrom that to proceed further would be an abuse of discretion?

Permit Conditions

- Life 25 years maximum (all)
- Measurement and reporting of withdrawals/purchases (all)
- Permit Compliance Report (all)
- Instream Flow Requirement measurement and reporting
- Source Development
- Leakage Loss Study
- Treated Storage Development Study

Permit Conditions (if appropriate)

- NPDES on stream discharges
- Reservoir pool measurement and reporting (reservoir IFR triggers)
- Subsidiary permit recognition
- Others?

Modification Orders

- Add new permit condition in case of conflicts
- Recognition Service Area Expansion Analysis required to determine impact
- Recognition of Subsidiary permit
- CANNOT be used to increase Water Rights – New Application required



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DAILY WATER WITHDRAWAL/INSTREAM FLOW REQUIREMENT REPORT

				WA Permit No											
NAME-P	UBLIC WATER SUPPLY AG	ENCY	COUNTY												
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Return completed form to: Division of Water Use Planning, P. O. Box 8555, Harrisburg, PA 17105-8555

Water Allocation Permit Compliance Report

- Water Meter Management Program
- Leakage Loss Control Program
- Water Conservation Program
- Demand Reduction Program
- Drought Contingency Planning
- Reporting Requirements

Water Meter Management

- All sources metered
- Metered Ratio
- Residential/Domestic Per Capita Use
- Method of Accounting for Unmetered Uses
- Metered vs. Unmetered Connections
- Meter testing/Replacement Program

Leakage Loss Control

- Leakage Control program
 - Frequency
 - Methods and Equipment
- Hydrant and Valve Leakage Testing
 - -Number Tested
 - -Leaks Detected
 - -Leaks Repaired

Water Conservation Program

- Water Conservation Information to Customers
- School Programs
- Major Water Users Demand Reduction
- Rate Structure

Demand Reduction Program

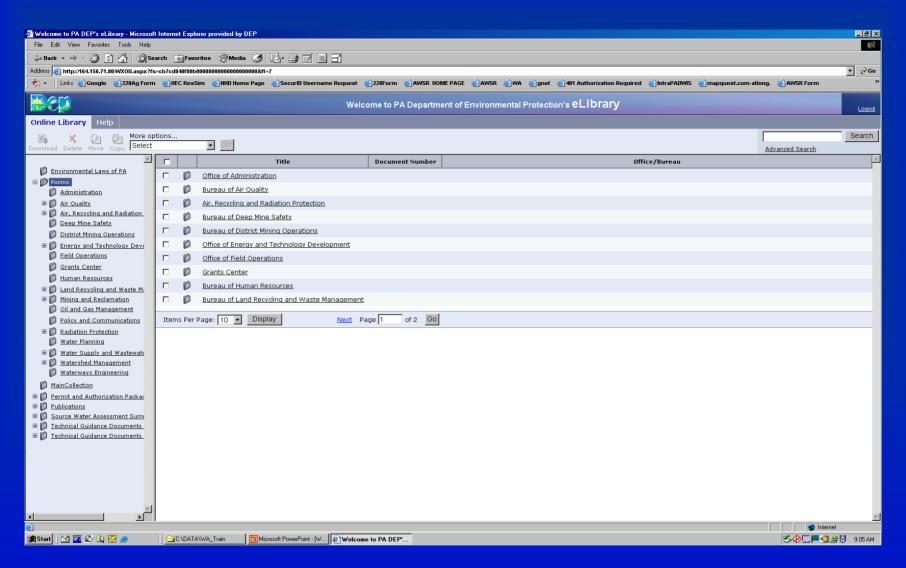
- Water Saving Plumbing Fixtures
- Municipal Building Codes
- High Use Program

Drought Contingency Planning

- DCP to DEP every three years under Chapter 118.
 - Date of last plan
 - Responsible Official
- New Sources or Major Use Changes

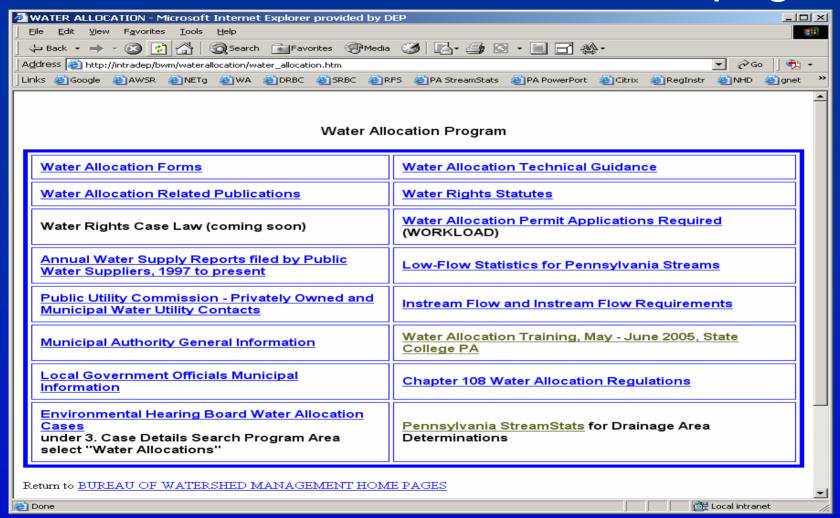
Reporting Requirements

- Daily Water Withdrawal/Instream Flow Report
- Acquisition of Property
- Engineering Study
- Unaccounted for Water Loss Study (20 %)
- Treated/Finished Water Storage Study
- Reservoir Pool Elevation Reporting



eLibrary - "Bureau of Watershed Management"

Internal Water Allocation Homepage



http://intradep/bwm/waterallocation/water_allocation.htm

Water Allocation Future Projects

- Implement Secretary's Compliance and Enforcement Initiative
- Develop Program Regulations and Fees
- Streamline Permit Review
- Reduction and Standardization of Water Allocation Report
- Electronic Reporting
- Implement GIS Applications (Yield Analysis Tool)

Water Allocation Training

Questions and comments?



Pennsylvania's New Water Management Law

Act 220- Water Resources Planning Act

Water Resources Planning Act Goals

- Develop an updated State Water Plan by 2008
- Create resource planning and partnership building among local, regional, state, interstate, federal and non-governmental entities.
- Identify environmental needs through data collection and redirecting of resources to meet local needs

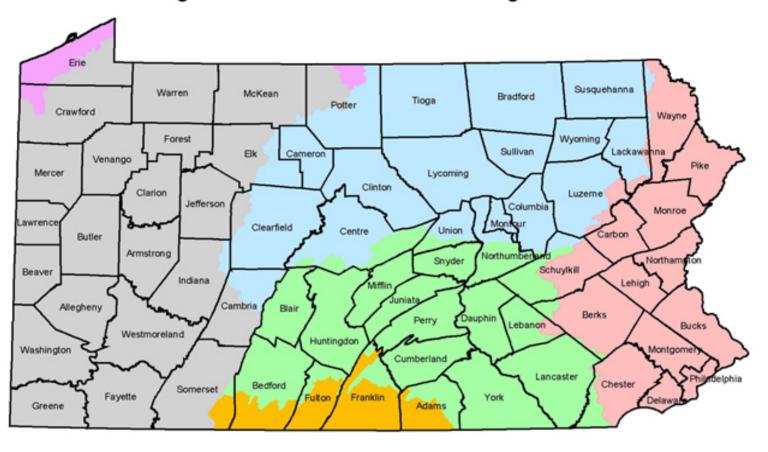
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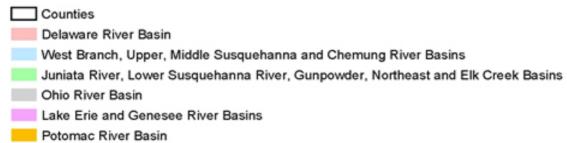
- Establishment of committees
 - Six regional and one state-wide
- Identify Critical Water Planning Areas and create Critical Area Resource Plans
- Registration of users of more than 10,000 gallons per day and begin yearly reporting.
- Establishment of voluntary conservation program

Contents of the State Water Plan

- Inventory of water resources, yields
- Projected needs, demands, problems
- Identification of critical planning areas
- Review of regulations, statutes, policies and institutional arrangements
- Recommendations for implementing actions, projects, programs or management activities

Regional Water Resource Planning Areas





Critical Area Resource Plans

- More detailed plan based on "water budgeting"
- Establishment of Critical Water Planning Area Advisory Committee
- Existing and future beneficial uses
- Water availability evaluations
- Water quality issues
- Storm water and floodplain issues
- Alternatives to assure adequate supply

General Timeline for Act 220

- In Progress Water Source Registration
- In Progress Regional and Statewide Committee meetings
- 2004 to 2007: Public participation and Education and Outreach
- 2005 to 2006: Review of regulations and statute
- 2005 to 2007: Regional plans drafted
- 2007: Public comment on Draft Regional Plans
- 2007 to 2008: Revision of Regional Plans
- 2008: Public review of SWP final draft
- 2008: Final State Water Plan

Reports! Reports! Reports!

- PWS Annual Water Supply Report
- Daily Water Withdrawal/Instream Flow Report
- Water Allocation Permit Compliance Report
- DRBC Annual Monthly Withdrawal Report
- SRBC Registration
- Act 220 Registration

Act 220 Reporting Requirements

To avoid duplication of efforts, regulations implementing the periodic reporting requirements of this subsection shall provide that the requirements may be satisfied by the filing of discharge monitoring reports prepared under the Clean Streams Law, water supply reports prepared under the Safe Drinking Water Act, water withdrawal and use reports prepared and submitted pursuant to regulations adopted by the Delaware River Basin Commission and Susquehanna River Basin Commission, or other reports submitted under other applicable statutes and regulations, to the extent that the reports provide the required

Consolidation of Reporting to Reduce Paperwork Workload



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