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Final Rulemaking: Water Quality Management (WQM) and National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit Application and Annual Fees 25 Pa. Code Chapters 91 and 92a

Water Resources Advisory Committee November 19, 2020

Patrick McDonnell, Secretary

Timeline

| What | Who | When |
|---------------------------|------|------------------------------|
| Fee Report and Background | WRAC | Mar 24, 2016 |
| | AAB | Apr 28, 2016 |
| | | Jun 23 <i>,</i> 2016 |
| Proposed Rulemaking | WRAC | Sep 21, 2016 |
| | | Oct 25, 2017 |
| | AAB | Oct 26, 2017 |
| Public Comment | | Mar 30, 2019 May 14, 2019 |
| Update | AAB | Aug 29, 2019 |
| Draft Final Rulemaking | AAB | Jan 27, 2020 |
| | WRAC | Jan 30, 2020 |



Additional Change

- § 92a.26 General Permit NOI Fees
- Existing Rule \$2,500 cap
- Revised Draft Rule not to exceed equivalent individual permit fee
- Revised Final Rule \$5,000 cap



Implementation of NOI Fees

- Current cap (\$2,500) applies over a 5-year period (i.e., \$500/year maximum)
- Revised cap (\$5,000) to be applied the same way



Implementation of NOI Fees

- This change does not, in itself, increase any general permit NOI fees.
- NOI fees are established as part of a general permit.
- Any changes to general permit NOI fees are subject to public comment and will be considered as general permits come up for renewal.





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