

PROJECT NAME:

APPLICANT NAME:

**Bureau of Waterways Engineering and Wetlands** 

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FORM SUMMARY

Eligible?

# Self-Certification of Eligibility for DEP issuance of PASPGP-6 For DEP SPEED

| and<br>utiliz<br>the a<br>Corp | Instructions: Complete the entire form. For additional info, please see PASPGP-6, and its associated documents, available on DEP's webpage. This form will be utilized upon receipt in applications and in pre-submission meetings to determine if the application is eligible to participate in the SPEED program, and determine if an application is reporting to the Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE). Applications will still be independently reviewed for PASPGP applicability during normal application review processes. |          |           |      |
|--------------------------------|--|----------|-----------|------|
|                                | <b>FE:</b> If an application is eligible for SPEED, but is reporting to ACOE, the federal and state a chronized. The ACOE is under no obligation to meet SPEED review timeframes for their fe  |          |           | t be |
|                                | PART A: PASPGP-6 ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA  Answering "Yes" to a question in the eligibility criteria means the application is NOT ELIGIBLE   | FOR SPEE | D         |      |
| 1.                             | Will the single and complete project result in a total of more than 0.5 acre of permanent loss to waters of the United States, including jurisdictional wetlands?  NOTE: This does not apply to some Restoration and impound maintenance. See Part C for details if applicable and answer accordingly.   | YES      | NO        |      |
| 2.                             | Will the single and complete project result in a permanent loss of 1,000 linear feet of jurisdictional stream channel(s)?  NOTE: This does not apply to some Restoration and impound maintenance. See Part C for details if applicable and answer accordingly.   | YES      | NO        |      |
| 3.                             | Will the single and complete project comply with all terms and conditions of PASPGP-6?   | YES      | NO        |      |
| 4.                             | Will the project be located channel ward of the ordinary high-water mark (OHWM) on non-tidal waters and the high tide line (HTL) on tidal waters on the following water bodies:  a. The Delaware River, downstream of the U.S. Route 202 Bridge at New Hope, Pennsylvania; or  b. The Schuylkill River, downstream of the Fairmount Dam in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.   | YES      | NO        | _    |
| 5.                             | Have you been notified by the EPA or the Army Corps of Engineers that they are exercising authority on disposal site for discharge for dredge or fill material or concerning that the project will be a reporting application, or ineligible for PASPGP-6?   | YES      | NO        |      |
| 6.                             | Has the proposed activity been denied a Chapter 105 permit, State Water Quality Certification under Section 401 of the Clean Water Act, or a Coastal Zone Management Consistency Concurrence?  | YES      | NO        |      |
| 7.                             | Will the activity divert more than 10,000 gallons per day of surface or ground water into or out of the Great lakes Basin (Lake Frie Watershed)?   | YES      | NO $\Box$ |      |



| PART B: PASPGP-6 REPORTING CRITERIA  Answering "Yes" to a question in the reporting criteria means the application is eligible for SPEED but the ACOE will perform a separate review and issuance under separate timeframes than SPEED |   |     |      |
|--|---|-----|------|
| 8.   | Will the overall project result in federally regulated temporary impacts to more than 1.0 acre of waters of the United States, including jurisdictional wetlands?   | YES | NO 🗆 |
| 9.   | Will the overall project result in federal regulated permanent impacts to more than 0.25 acre of waters of the United States, including jurisdictional wetlands? <b>NOTE:</b> There is a different acreage threshold for Waiver 16, GP-1, and some impoundment maintenance. See Part C if applicable and answer accordingly.  | YES | NO   |
| 10.  | Will the overall project result in federally regulated permanent impacts to greater than 250 linear feet of jurisdictional waters (Streams, rivers, ponds, lakes, impoundments, etc.) excluding wetlands?  NOTE: There is a different linear foot threshold for stream restoration, Waiver 16, GP-1, and some impoundment maintenance. See Part C if applicable and answer accordingly.   | YES | NO   |
| 11.  | Will the project contain activities which will affect or which may affect Threatened or Endangered Species or their critical habitat under Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (Federal Act)?  NOTE: PNDI Search Receipts and coordination should be complete and show no effect to check no. See Part C for more detail.   | YES | NO   |
| 12.  | Will the project include activities in waterways occupied by federally-listed, proposed, or candidate mussels or fish, or in waterways within 300 feet of these waterways (See Part C for list)  If you have received documented clearance for these species, select NO.  | YES | NO   |
| 13.  | Will the proposed activities potentially affect historic properties listed in the National Register of Historic Places or where the Pennsylvania Historic and Museum Commission (PHMC) or federally recognized tribe have determined that archeological or other cultural resources are believed to exist within the permit area?  NOTE: If the application does not contain the PHMC submission AND a response determining no affect you must select YES. This is considered a Reporting Activity under PASPGP-6 and will be ineligible for SPEED. | YES | NO   |
| 14.  | Will the project include activities authorized under 25 PA Code § 105.131© for Maintenance of Reservoirs of Jurisdictional dams where there is greater than 0.10 acre of jurisdictional wetland permanently impacted?   | YES | NO   |
| 15.  | Will the project include activities with will potentially affect national Wild or Scenic Rivers?  NOTE: See Part C for more detail.   | YES | NO   |



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| 16.  | Is the project related to or is it a residential, commercial and Institutional development,   |     |        |
|------|---|-----|--------|
|      | AND   |     |        |
| with | Does more than 0.25 acre of wetlands, in addition to the proposed impacts, exist in the property boundaries,  | YES | NO     |
|      | AND   | _   |        |
| res  | are you <u>NOT including a Declaration of Restrictive Covenants</u> that protects these ources in the application.  |     |        |
| 17.  | Does the project include activities which require an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)?  | YES | NO 🗆   |
| 18.  | Does the project contain federally regulated activities in any of the waters listed in the Part C for this question?  | YES | NO 🗆   |
| 19.  | Does the project include regulated activities which are not wholly located within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, i.e. it extends across state boundaries?  | YES | NO 🗆   |
| 20.  | Will the project include activities which affect Corps Civil Works Projects, Corps Property, or Corps easements?  | YES | NO     |
| 21.  | Is this application related to an overall project for which the Corps previously issued verification of work?   | YES | NO 🗆   |
| 22.  | Is the application related to an overall project for which another application has been determined to be a Reporting Activity?  | YES | NO     |
| 23.  | Is temporary fill greater than 0.10 acre proposed in waters and/or wetlands which will remain in place for more than one year?  | YES | NO     |
| 24.  | Does this application include a request for a Corps Jurisdictional Determination, either Preliminary JD or AJD?   | YES | NO     |
| 25.  | Will the project include activities occurring in areas identified as potentially having Shortnose and/or Atlantic Sturgeon present? See Part C for PASPGP-6 List of waters. See Greater Atlantic Region's ESA Section 7 Mapper Tool for current list. | YES | NO     |
| 26.  | Is the application for a project or activity which requires an Individual 401 State Water Quality Certification from PA DEP?  | YES | О<br>П |
| 27.  | Does the project include activities involving the erection of an aerial transmission line, submerged cable, or submerged pipeline across a Navigable Water of the United States? See Part C for list.   | YES | NO     |

## PART C: ADDITIONAL ELIGIBILITY AND REPORTING DETAILS

Additional Details to aid in answering checklist questions are summarized in this Part C. Full details are available in PASPGP-6. The numbers below correspond to question numbers in checklist above.

## **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

**Questions 1. & 2.:** There is no acreage eligibility threshold limitation for those regulated activities in waters of the United States, including jurisdictional wetlands for the following:

- The restoration, enhancement, and/or establishment of tidal and non-tidal wetlands and riparian areas; the restoration and/or enhancement of nontidal streams and other non-tidal open waters; and the rehabilitation or enhancement of tidal streams, tidal wetlands, and tidal open waters, provided those activities result in net increases in aquatic resource functions and services; or
- Maintenance of artificial ponds/impoundments through removal of accumulated sediments.

Losses listed above are not used in calculation of eligibility threshold for Single and Complete Projects

#### REPORTING CRITERIA

**Question 9.:** The reporting threshold of federally regulated permanent impacts to more than 0.25 acre of waters of the United States, including jurisdictional wetlands, has the following exceptions, where the reporting threshold is 0.50 acre of permanent impact:

- Non-Reporting Activity 1, (PADEP GP-1 Fish Habitat Enhancement Structures):
- Non-Reporting Activity 29(c), Activities Waived at 25 PA Code § 105.12(a)(16) Waiver 16 Restoration Activities: Other Restoration Activities; and
- Maintenance of artificial ponds/impoundments through removal of accumulated sediments.

**Question 10.:** The reporting threshold of federally regulated permanent impacts to greater than 250 linear feet of jurisdictional waters (streams, rivers, ponds, lakes, impoundments, etc.) excluding wetlands, has the following exceptions, where the permanent linear foot impact threshold is:

- No more than 500 linear feet for activities that involve stream restoration (rehabilitation and/or reestablishment); stream enhancement; bank stabilization; and/or gravel bar removal; including activities identified in Non-Reporting Activity 29(c), Activities Waived at 25 PA Code § 105.12(a)(16) Waiver 16 –Restoration Activities: Other Restoration Activities;
- No more than 500 linear feet for maintenance of existing artificial ponds/impoundments through removal of accumulated sediment:
- No linear impact threshold of jurisdictional waters applies to those activities verified as Non-Reporting Activity 1, PADEP GP – 1 Fish Habitat Enhancement Structures.

<u>Question 11.:</u> PNDI Search Receipts with potential effects to a federal threatened or endangered species where coordination is not complete, where avoidance measures are not agreed to be implemented, or where a determination is made where there will be an effect you must select YES and are considered upon receipt of the application to "MAY AFFECT" a federally listed species. **This is considered Reporting Activities under PASPGP-6 and will be ineligible for SPEED.** 

## Question 12.: PASPGP-6 List of mussel waters

| WATERWAYS                          | COUNTY                              |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Allegheny River                    | Allegheny, Armstrong, Clarion,      |
|                                    | Forest, Venango, Warren, McKean,    |
|                                    | and Westmoreland,                   |
| Conewago Creek                     | Warren                              |
| Conneaut Outlet                    | Crawford                            |
| Conneauttee Creek                  | Crawford                            |
| Cussewago Creek                    | Crawford                            |
| Delaware River                     | Monroe, Pike, and Wayne             |
| Four Mile Run                      | Westmoreland                        |
| French Creek                       | Crawford, Erie, Mercer, and Venango |
| LeBoeuf Creek                      | Erie                                |
| Little Mahoning Creek              | Indiana                             |
| Little Shenango River              | Mercer                              |
| Muddy Creek                        | Crawford                            |
| Oil Creek                          | Venango                             |
| Oswayo Creek                       | McKean                              |
| Shenango River                     | Crawford and Mercer                 |
| (Pymatuning Reservoir to Big Bend) |                                     |
| West Branch of French Creek        | Erie                                |
| Woodcosack Creek                   | Crawford                            |

Question 15.: Any activity which occurs in a component of the National Wild and Scenic River System or in a river officially designated by Congress as a "Study River" under Section 7 (a) Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (16 U.S.C. § §1278 et seq.) for possible inclusion in the System are forwarded to the Corps as a Reporting Activity unless the federal agency with direct management responsibility has determined in writing it will not adversely affect the National Wild and Scenic River And this information is provided with the application.

The designated National Wild and Scenic Rivers are:

- a. Allegheny River from the Kinzua Dam, mile 197.2, downstream approximately 7 miles to US Route 6 Bridge, at mile 190.7, in Warren, Pennsylvania State Programmatic General Permit-6 21 June 11, 2021 then from the Buckaloons Recreation Area in Allegheny National Forest at mile 181.7 downstream 47 miles to Alcorn Island just north of Oil City at river mile 133.7, and then continuing from the Franklin Wastewater Treatment Plant at mile 122.7, downstream 31 miles to the refinery at Emlenton mile 90.7;
- b. Clarion River from mile 91.1 in the Borough of Ridgeway, Elk County, Pennsylvania, at the National Forest and State Game Lands boundary to mile 39.4 at the normal pool elevation of Piney Dam;
- c. Upper Delaware Scenic and Recreational River beginning at Hancock, New York, and continuing 73.4 river miles to Mill Rift, Pennsylvania;
- d. Middle Delaware Scenic and Recreational River (from bank to bank) as it flows through the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area;
- e. Lower Delaware River beginning 7 river miles north of Belvidere, New Jersey, continuing to Washington Crossing, Pennsylvania, including Paunnacussing Creek, within Solebury Township; all of the Tinicum Creek, including Rapp Creek and Beaver Creek Tributaries; and Tohickon Creek from the mouth to the Lake Nockamixon Dam, including a ¼ mile buffer from each bank; and
- f. White Clay Creek watershed including all of its tributaries.

**Question 18.:** Applications which propose activities within the following waters are reporting in accordance with PASPGP-6:

- a. All of the Ohio River except for navigational aids or markers, buoys, floats, the construction, operation, or removal of staff gauges, water recording devices and water quality testing devices;
- b. All of the Monongahela River except for navigational aids or markers, buoys, floats, the construction, operation, or removal of staff gauges, water recording devices and water quality testing devices; Pennsylvania State Programmatic General Permit-6 22 June 11, 2021
- c. The Allegheny River, from its mouth in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania to river mile 197.4 at Kinzua Dam, north of Warren, Pennsylvania except for navigational aids or markers, buoys, floats, the construction, operation, or removal of staff gauges, water recording devices and water quality testing devices;
- d. Lake Erie activities which require submittal of a PADEP Joint Permit Application or Environmental Assessment to the PADEP. For Lake Erie, the OHWM is located at elevation 573.4;
- e. The Delaware River, upstream of the U.S. Route 202 Bridge at New Hope, Pennsylvania. Note: any activity located waterward of the OHWM in nontidal waters and HTL in tidal waters of the Delaware River, downstream of the U.S. Route 202 Bridge, is ineligible for PASPGP-6.

# Question 25.: PASPGP-6 list of Shortnose and Atlantic Sturgeon Waters

| Waterway        | Downstream Extent        | Upstream extent             | Latitude  | Longitude  |
|-----------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------|------------|
|                 | Confluence with Delaware | State Route 291 (Industrial |           |            |
| Crum Creek      | River                    | Highway) Bridge             | 39.863249 | -75.324343 |
|                 | Confluence with Delaware |                             |           |            |
| Darby Creek     | River                    | Upstream side of Hay Island | 39.886308 | -75.264508 |
|                 | Confluence with Delaware |                             |           |            |
| Frankford Creek | River                    | Frankford Ave. Bridge       | 40.005349 | -75.092422 |
|                 | Confluence with Delaware |                             |           |            |
| Nashaminy Creek | River                    | New Falls Road Bridge       | 40.123726 | -74.901543 |

**NOTE:** The above list does not include the Delaware River downstream of the U.S. 202 Bridge and the Schuylkill River downstream of the Fairmount Dam because these waters are ineligible for PASPGP-6.

## Question 27.: Navigable Waters of the United States (Section 10 Waters):

- a. Codorus Creek from the confluence with the Susquehanna River 11.4 miles upstream to the Richland Avenue Bridge in York, Pennsylvania;
- b. Main Stem Susquehanna River from the confluence with the Chesapeake Bay upstream to Athens, Pennsylvania (approximately 4 miles south from the New York State line);
- c. West Branch of the Susquehanna River from the confluence with the main stem Susquehanna River upstream to the dam at Lock Haven, Pennsylvania;
- d. Chester Creek from the confluence with the Delaware River 2 miles upstream;
- e. Crum Creek from the confluence with the Delaware River 1 mile upstream to the upstream side of the Dam at Eddystone; f. Darby Creek from the confluence with the Delaware River 5 miles upstream to the upstream side of the 84th Street Bridge in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania;
- f. Delaware River from U.S. Route 202 Bridge in New Hope, Pennsylvania, including the West Branch of the Delaware River, upstream to the Pennsylvania/New York border at the 42nd parallel;



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- g. Lehigh River from the confluence with the Delaware River 72 miles upstream to the downstream side of the PA Route 940 Bridge;
- h. Neshaminy Creek the confluence with the Delaware River, including Neshaminy State Park Harbor Project at the mouth of Neshaminy Creek, 4 miles upstream to the downstream side of the Newportville Bridge;
- i. Pennypack Creek from the confluence with the Delaware River 2 miles upstream to the downstream side of the Frankford Avenue Bridge in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania;
- Ridley Creek from the confluence with the Delaware River 1 mile upstream to the upstream side
  of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Bridge in Chester, Pennsylvania;
- k. Schuylkill River from the Fairmont Dam, 104 miles upstream to Port Carbon, Pennsylvania;
- Schuylkill Navigation Channel (Manayunk Canal) along the Schuylkill River for 2 miles from the Flat Rock Dam to Lock Street in the Manayunk Section of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; 56 June 11, 2021
- m. Allegheny River from its mouth in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania to river mile 197.4 at Kinzua Dam, north of Warren, Pennsylvania;
- n. Beaver River from confluence with Ohio River upstream to confluence of Mahoning and Shenango Rivers;
- o. Kiskiminetas River from its mouth near Freeport, Pennsylvania to river mile 26.8 at Saltsburg, Pennsylvania;
- p. Little Beaver River from confluence with Ohio River upstream to Pennsylvania border;
- q. Mahoning River from the confluence with Beaver River upstream to tributary;
- r. Monongahela River from confluence with Allegheny River upstream to Pennsylvania border;
- s. Ohio River from Pennsylvania border upstream to confluence of Allegheny and Monongahela Rivers;
- t. Shenango River from mouth to river mile 1.8 at New Castle, Pennsylvania;
- u. Tenmile Creek from its mouth at Millsboro, Pennsylvania to river mile 2.7;
- v. Youghiogheny River from its mouth at McKeesport, Pennsylvania to river mile 31.2 at Layton, Pennsylvania;
- w. Lake Erie entire length below 573.4 feet elevation; and
- x. All other waters not specifically exempted in the PASPGP-6, Part II, A, 5, that are subject to the ebb and flow of the tide. Such waters are considered navigable waters of the United States to the head of tidal influence