



Cameron County Conservation District Board of Directors Meeting

Date: Monday, July 11, 2022

TIME: 4:30 P.M.

PLACE: Andrews Farm

Picnic Afterwards

AGENDA

Call to Order

Introduction of Guests & Comments

Minutes of June Meeting

Treasurer's Report

Bills to be Paid

District Managers Report

Conservation Resource Technician Report

Watershed Technician Report

Administrative Assistant/Educator Report

QAB/ Dirt & Gravel

Agency Reports

OLD BUSINESS

- None

NEW BUSINESS

- Cameron County Fair Donation Request
- State Budget Update

GOOD OF THE ORDER

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**CAMERON COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 13, 2022**

In Attendance – Directors: Mark Johnson, Steve Zoschg, Paul Lyon, Lori Reed,
Marsha Hendrickson, Kirk Bainey

Associate Directors: None

Staff: Jim Zoschg Jr., Jon-Marc Burdick, Jenn Dixon,

Agency Reps.: Amanda Murdock (NRCS)

Guests: Chase Streich (intern)

Call to Order: The meeting is called to order by Chairman Mark Johnson at 4:31 PM in the Cameron County Conservation District office.

May Minutes: Steve makes a motion to accept the minutes, Marsha seconds, and the motion carries unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Lori makes a motion to accept the report, Steve seconds, and the report is accepted unanimously.

Bills to be Paid: Paul makes a motion to pay the bills, Lori seconds, and the motion carries unanimously.

District Manager's Report: Paul makes a motion to accept the report, Marsha seconds, and the report is accepted unanimously.

Conservation Resource Technician Report: Steve makes a motion to accept the report, Paul seconds, and the report is accepted unanimously.

Watershed Technician's Report: A landowner in Driftwood borough moved some possibly SLF infected logs to an undisclosed location after being advised not to. The landowner also did not sign required treatment forms. The PA Dept. of Ag will be doing an investigation. Marsha makes a motion to accept the report, Steve seconds, and the report is accepted unanimously.

Administrative Assistant Report: Lori makes a motion to accept the report, Paul seconds, and the report is accepted unanimously.

QAB / Dirt & Gravel: Regarding the Jerry Run Road project, 2A aggregate has been put down and the DSA may have been laid down today. The release of additional D&GR funds to cover increased fuel costs was informally pre-approved by the Board earlier this month. Paul makes a motion to allot \$103,600.00 from the D&GR account to compensate for the unexpected increase in fuel costs for the Jerry Run Road project. Lori seconds the motion and it passes unanimously. The Indian Camp Run AOP culvert replacement project may end up requiring 2 bridges or possibly 1 bridge and 1 culvert. The Western PA Conservancy will be consulted as to the best course of action. Lori makes a motion to allot \$65,000.00 from the D&GR account to replace

the existing culvert with an AOP approved structure at the Indian Camp Run project in Shippen Township. Paul seconds the motion and it passes unanimously.

Agency Reports: NRCS (Amanda): Funding for some irrigation and other systems has been authorized. A change in the record release policy is that now only the farmer can approve the release of their records. The “Soil My Undies Challenge” program has been launched. The amount of biodegradation of 100% cotton fabric buried in dirt for about 60 days is an indicator of soil health. The Joint Chiefs Grant in the PA NRCS is aimed towards forest producers and landowners. Proposals are due in August in the 6-county area of Cameron, Clearfield, Elk, Jefferson, McKean, and Potter. Conservation Districts in the area are being sought to partner with the NRCS to support the initiative by performing public outreach. Paul makes a motion for the CCCD to support the Joint Chiefs Grant program, Steve seconds, and the motion passes unanimously.

DEP (Jim): The DEP Section 319 Nonpoint Source Management program is backed by federal funding. The REAP tax credit program is geared toward encouraging certain conservation practices on farmlands.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: CDFAP Application for Funding: Applications are due by 01 July for this funding source for District Managers and E&S Techs. Steve makes a motion to approve the application for CDFAP funding, Lori seconds, and the motion passes unanimously.

ACT Application Approval: ACT funds the Conservation Resource Technician position. Lori makes a motion to approve submitting an application for ACT funding, Marsha seconds, and the motion passes unanimously.

GOOD OF THE ORDER: The 11 July BoD meeting will be held at the pavilion at the Andrews farm and will feature a picnic. Jenn will be coordinating the menu with those anticipating to attend.

ADJOURNMENT: Steve makes a motion to adjourn, Lori seconds, and the motion carries unanimously. The meeting adjourns at 5:14 PM. The next meeting will be Monday, 11 July 2022 at 4:30 PM at the pavilion at the Andrews farm.

Kirk Bainey, Secretary

**Cameron County Conservation
Treasurer's Report
June 2022**

	<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Memo/Description</u>	<u>Deposits</u>	<u>Checks</u>	<u>Balance</u>
* 1000 Checking- Northwest	Beginning Balance						97,645.01
	06/11/2022	ACH	Canon	Monthly Billing		111.00	97,534.01
	06/13/2022		CDFAP	Jan - Mar 2022	26,179.54		123,713.55
	06/17/2022	3920	VISA - Todd	Approved May Transactions		144.15	123,569.40
	06/17/2022	3919	Zilo Business - Commercial Services	Monthly Billing		315.75	123,253.65
	06/17/2022	3918	Todd Deluccia	May Reimbursements		295.43	122,958.22
	06/17/2022	3917	Judd A Schager, CPA	Monthly Billing		340.00	122,618.22
	06/17/2022	3916	Jon-Marc Burdick	May Reimbursements		88.34	122,529.88
	06/17/2022	3915	Jim Zoschg	May Reimbursements		211.19	122,318.69
	06/17/2022	3914	Jenn Dixon	May Reimbursements		42.12	122,276.57
06/17/2022	3912	Carlson Technologies, Inc	Monthly Billing		11.96	122,264.61	
	06/17/2022	3920	VISA Jenn	Approved May Transactions		161.78	122,102.83
	06/17/2022	3913	Chubb	Siraub Ins. D&O Policy F15598426		1,405.00	120,697.83
	06/17/2022	3920	Visa - Jim	Approved May Transactions		20.40	120,677.43
					\$ 26,179.54	\$ 3,147.12	
* 1102 PUC-Northwest	Beginning Balance						143,453.03
	06/30/2022	INTEREST		Interest Eamed PUC 22/23	1.20		143,454.23
	06/30/2022				67,123.03		210,577.26
					\$ 67,124.23		
* 1103 Clean Water- Northwest	Beginning Balance						35,603.36
	06/02/2022		Losey Contracting	T-102 Payment	75.00		35,678.36
	06/23/2022		Three Reiver Forestry Products	T 125 & 126 Payments	250.00		35,928.36
	06/30/2022	INTEREST		Interest Eamed	0.29		35,928.65
					\$ 325.29		
* 1105 Savings- Northwest	Beginning Balance						33,228.83
	06/30/2022	INTEREST		Interest Eamed	0.27		33,229.10
					\$ 0.27		
* 1106 DGR-Citizens	Beginning Balance						288,701.82
	06/30/2022	INTEREST		Interest Eamed	11.86		288,713.68
					\$ 11.86		
1109 Petty Cash	Beginning Balance						50.00
* 1110 LVR - Citizens	Beginning Balance						22,119.28
	06/30/2022	INTEREST		Interest Eamed	1.82		22,121.10
					\$ 1.82		

* Reconciled as of 6/30/22

Cameron County Conservation

Unpaid Bills

As of 6/30/2022

Vendor	Memo/Description	Open Balance
Cameron County Echo	CC Echo - Intern Legal	63.00
Canon	Monthly Billing - Previously Approved Beg. Year	111.00
Carlson Technologies, Inc	Webroot Subscription	11.96
Jenn Dixon	AA June 22 Exp	60.84
Jim Zoschig	CRT June 22 Exp	288.52
Jon-Marc Burdick	WS June 22 Exp	96.53
Judd A Schager, CPA	QB Entry	340.00
L & M Lumber	Tape	2.39
L & M Lumber	Post up telephone line	32.66
Todd Deluccia	DM June 22 Exp	181.35
VISA - John Maic	Ace Hardware - Sign	4.23
VISA - John Maic	Great Lakes IPM - Lanternfly Traps	500.00
VISA - Todd	Great Lakes IPM - Lanternfly Traps	509.87
Visa- Jim	USPS - Postage	3.30
Visa- Jim	USPS - Postage	15.34
Way Office	(Credit)	-9.00
Way Office	Way Office - Office Supplies	61.89
Zito Business - Commercial Services Billi	Zito Media Phone Internet - June	315.75
	\$ 2,589.63	
	Previously Approved - Pending Reimb.	
Cameron County General Fund	CRT 2021 4th Qtr Wages (Underpayment)	10.00
Cameron County General Fund	1st Qtr 22 WS Wages	13,559.79
Cameron County General Fund	1st Qtr 22 DM Wages	17,298.88
Cameron County General Fund	1st Qtr 22 AA Wages	12,120.64
Cameron County General Fund	1st Qtr 22 CRT Wages	11,305.73
	Previously Approved-Pending Project Completion.	
Gibson Township	Gibson2019-1-05/24/2019-023-01 (Gibson 1/2 Jerry Run)	60,953.25
Gibson Township	Gibson001-06/30/2018-023-01 (Nanny Run 1/2 pmt)	22,006.64
Gibson Township	Gibson 2021-A Jerry Run	77,854.00
Grove Township	Grove2018-001-06/30/208-023-01 (Grove 1/2 Jerry Run)	60,334.53
Grove Township	Grove Jerry Run Advance	10,800.00
Lumber Township	Lumber Hunts Run	44,654.00

June District Managers Report

The big news for June is the Jerry Run project is moving along very nicely. I've spent quite a bit of time managing things for that. As of writing this report approximately 4.5 miles of the 5.5 miles and roughly 7000 tons has been completed for the DSA placement. Everything is moving along nicely and looks really good. There was one mishap with a truck that decided to drive off the side of the road. Fortunately, the driver was not hurt and luckily no fuel spilled along the stream. One other issue I had to deal with was when the power was run to a new camp West Penn Power and Windstream left the lines too low for trucks to get through so I had to get them to raise them. West Penn did theirs but Windstream is hard to deal with so I raised the line with a 2x4. Lumber Twp has wrapped up the 2nd slide repair of their DGR project. They will install approximately 2000' feet of underdrain now to wrap up that project.

The audit has started. I put together all the files and requests made by the auditor. Everything has been picked up and everything seems to be going smoothly. Its amazing how smooth things go when you have a good system.

The MAYH10 treatment system construction has begun. This system is one of two being funded by Lyme Timber. The 2nd is FIN5253 and is set to start relatively soon as well.

Stream projects will be starting next month. It has been difficult still to find logs. We have some but still need a few loads. DCNR has a load for us that will help. Getting stone right now for whatever reason is tough too. The Bardo project will be the first we do. This 600' long project will be random logs and rootwads covered in stone.

Todd Deluccia
District Manager

June 2022

Conservation Resource Technician Report

In June we reviewed and acknowledged our first Chapter 105 e-permit. The permit was for a temporary stream crossing in Sterling Run for a logging job. It took a little bit of work to learn the e-permitting process, but fortunately there are very helpful videos on the Clean Water Academy to walk reviewers through the process. Overall, the permit review process went well. I also acknowledged a GP 1 permit for habitat work on the Driftwood Branch in Rich Valley.

I also met with one landowner that wanted to place fill in the Floodway and conducted one inspection of a site where fill had been placed in the floodway.

On June 4 Jon-Marc and I presented to the individuals taking Penn State Extension Master Watershed Steward Course at Sinnemahoning State Park. There are 6 individuals from the northcentral counties that are currently participating in the program.

Under the Chapter 102 program, I conducted an inspection of the FM 120 insertion work on June 13 with the Elk County Conservation District. National Fuel and Gas has been doing a very good job on their E&S BMP's. I was very pleased with the work that was done on the Big Run crossing at the old SR 120 Rest Area. Most of my concerns with the project work focused on protecting the aquatic resource at this crossing. I conducted erosion and sedimentation inspections at two other sites during the month, as well.

A preconstruction meeting was held for the FM 100 abandonment permit via conference call on June 16. Work was scheduled to begin on the pipeline abandonment the end of the month. The FM 100 pipeline runs from Penfield to Costello and crossing into Cameron County at Mix Run, crosses the Bennett Branch and then the Driftwood Branch at Johnson Run before running north along the Ridge Road into Potter County. The earth disturbance involved in the abandonment work will be associated with the removal of above ground valves and facilities and excavating to access the pipe in order to fill it with grout where it runs under railroads, roads, streams and wetlands.

During the month of June, Jon-Marc and I coordinated with Mckean Environmental Solutions to treat goatsrue and poison hemlock sites in the county. We found several new poison hemlock sites during the month to bring the county-wide total to 12 sites. On June 15 Chase and I planted 50 silky dogwood and redosier dogwood seedlings at one of the 2021 trout habitat project sites.

On June 28 Chase and I attended the Conservation District Forestry Day hosted by the Elk County Conservation District and LandVest. We were able to visit several different forestry sites and learn about some of the timber harvest basics and issues encountered during timber harvests from an industry perspective. We discussed permitting, as well. On June 29 Chase and I attended a grazing field day hosted by the Jefferson County Conservation District. The field day featured presentations by the new NRCS Grazing Specialist and by Russ Wilson who owns a beef operation in Tionesta and manages his herd through intensive rotational grazing.

Sincerely,

Jim Zoschg

June 2022 Watershed Technician Report

With the Hunts Run project coming up we spent some time with WPC to survey the section of Hunts Run where we will be adding lime to the soil. The water quality was better than we had expected and we ended up getting quite a few trout out of the main branch of Hunts Run as well as a few other of the tributaries. After completing our section of the stream, we move on to a couple other tributaries to do some unassessed waters work that WPC wanted to do being that they are already in the area.

As a Spotted Lantern Fly update, the camp owner we had spoke with that had a log pile directly in the middle of the epicenter we had told him we did not want him to move the logs but if he had to he could do so at the end of June early July. Despite being told that he still decided to move the logs and even moved them to Elk County which is not in the quarantine zone. I informed the Dept of Ag an they spoke with the individual directly. He had told them that he had burnt some of it and the rest he had moved to his house and to his employee's house. The SLF survey team went to these locations to search for SLF. Luckily, they did not find any transplants. The Dept of Ag will continue to monitor these sites.

Jim and I met with a camp owner on Old Cameron Rd for the new site of Poison Hemlock. The owner was already aware it was there and had been treating it himself. Also, with invasives Mckean Environmental has wrapped up the treatment for goatsrue and poison hemlock. In the next few weeks, they will move on and start the second round of treatment for Mile a Minute and then will directly transition into the Knotweed treatment.

On the 4th of June Jim and I did a program at the Sinnemahoning State Park. The program was hosted by Master Water Stewardship Program and we helped by doing an in-classroom presentation of macro invertebrates. Next, we went down to Forty Maples where we did a macro survey using kick nets and D nets. When all the identification programs were done, Jim did a demonstration on fly fishing for the guests.

During the carnival week Jenn and I walked over to the food booth to help turn on the water and while we were standing there, we witnessed an individual wheel out a fifty-five-gallon drum of grease and dump it directly into the storm drain. I informed the borough of what they were doing and they called the rindividual and let them know they are not aloud to do that and could be turned into the DEP. I also spoke with a DEP representative and he told me the steps I will need to take. First it must be turned in to our WCO which I informed him and it if it happens again, he can take action. If it Continues to happen, I must do and official complaint to the DEP.

Jon-Marc Burdick

Watershed Technician

Administrative Assistant Report – June 2022

After a very busy May, the month of June has slowed down a bit with environmental education. The IU9 classes were still in session and I held another visit with them where I presented a program from Growing Up Wild called “Hiding in Plain Sight.” I talked to the students about camouflage, what it is and how it is used for humans and animals. I then showed pictures to the students where they had to find the animal in the picture.

Chance and I presented at the Prospect Park Playground for our first of three summer programs. We presented a program from Project Wet called “The Incredible Journey.” The children learned the state of water and how it moves within the water cycle. After a brief talk, we preformed an activity where the children become water molecules and made bracelets by rolling pre-made dice that represented stations of water such as: glacier, cloud, lake, ocean, etc.

I once again had the opportunity to spend the day at Elk Camp with CCOYA and the Cameron County Recreation Center as a chaperone. The children spent the morning learning about tagging elk calves with Mandy Marconi from the PA Game Commission; predators and obstacles elk face with Ben Porkalob from KECA; and Archery with Hunter Horning with KECA. The afternoon sessions were also rotation with a scavenger hunt, movie and craft.

I spent a good portion of the month setting up programs for the summer, along with preparing for our Summer Conservation Camp. This year’s camp will be held three days at the Andrews Farm, the district will co-host with CCOYA. This year’s lesson will be on Explore Bow Hunting. Details are not finalized, but the last day of camp the students will get to shoot a bow at a box representation of a deer’s anatomy.

I managed to get away from the office for a week. My family and I traveled to Iowa to meet my husband’s boss and his co-workers. It was a long trip in a car with two kids, but well worth it. While there, I got to scratch off a line on my bucket list when my kids and I toured the site where the movie “Field of Dreams” was made.

Jennifer Dixon

Administrative Assistant

July 2022 DEP Conservation District Field Rep Talking Points

Nutrient Management and Manure Management Delegation Agreement - The State Conservation Commission (SCC) and the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) entered into a joint five (5) year delegation agreement with select conservation districts for Fiscal Years 2017-2022 for Nutrient Management (NM) and Manure Management (MM). That delegation agreement concludes on June 30, 2022. It is the intent of both the SCC and DEP to enter into another joint 5-year delegation agreement for NM and MM with select conservation districts for Fiscal Years 2022-2027. At the May 2022 Commission meeting, SCC and DEP staff presented the new joint NM/MM Delegation agreement for approval. After hearing public comment from several conservation districts, the commission approved to table the action until the July 2022 Commission Meeting. On May 23, 2022, DEP and SCC staff held a listening session for Conservation Districts to voice concerns on the required output measures. That listening session recording can be found at <https://pacleanwateracademy.remote-learner.net/course/view.php?id=176§ion=14>. Based off the May 2022 Commission meeting public comments and the comments of Commission Members, along with the listening session, SCC and DEP staff have adjusted the new Delegation Agreement Required Output Measures (ROMs). The adjustments include: the district performing status reviews on a minimum of 10 agricultural operations per FTE (or 5 agricultural operations for less than 1 FTE) or the district will write a minimum of 10 Manure Management Plans for operators within the county. The adjusted ROMs were discussed during the June 14, 2022 SCC meeting.

The proposed revisions to the NM/MM Delegation Agreement and a question-and-answer document from the May 23, 2022 conservation district listening session were provided to the Conservation Districts on June 14, 2022. Conservation districts with additional questions or comments should contact either Frank Schneider (fschneider@pa.gov) or Kate Bresaw (kbresaw@pa.gov), by e-mail to further discuss. It is anticipated that SCC staff will ask for an action on the new revised joint delegation agreement at the July 2022 Commission meeting.

Program Agreements and Reporting

Districts should remember to get all reimbursement requests submitted in a timely manner. Since this is the last quarter of the fiscal year, programs have a limited amount of time to pay invoices using 2021/2022 fiscal year funds. If budget changes are required districts should contact specific program staff directly to discuss these changes.

FY 2022–2023 Watershed Specialist Renewals - The Grants Center is still working on adding the additional funding and executing the renewal forms. Some have already been executed and sent out to Districts. If your district has not submitted your renewal form it should be sent immediately to ra-epwaterprograms@pa.gov

Watershed Specialist Final Reports - In addition to the Quarterly Report, please use the attached Final Report with your April-June 2022 reimbursement packages. Be sure to check the box that asks “If this is FINAL reimbursement, check here” on the Application for Reimbursement form. Remaining funds from this fiscal year will be liquidated, if they are not spent. If you have any questions regarding remaining balances, please email me at ra-epwaterprograms@pa.gov.

Agricultural Conservation Technical (ACT) Assistance Program application – The ACT Application package was sent out on May 16. Any districts that have not yet submitted their ACT application to should do so as soon as possible to Johan Berger (joberger@pa.gov).

CBAIP SOP, Chesapeake Bay Technician, Engineer Specialist, and Engineer Assistant Contract Renewal – The CBO released fiscal year 2022-2023 contracts for Chesapeake Bay Technician, Engineer Specialist and Engineer Assistant to be distributed to conservation districts in early June. The CBO held a Teams Meeting on June 13 to review the Chesapeake Bay Ag Inspection Program Statement of Policy and Program Contracts. The direct link to the CWA can be found here: <https://pacleanwateracademy.remote-learner.net/mod/resource/view.php?id=5989> . Applications are due to Stephanie Wilfong no later than July 15, 2022. Applications should be emailed to Stephanie and copy your Conservation District Field Rep.

Chapter 102 and 105 Programs

Chapter 102 Delegation Agreement Update- The current 102/NPDES Program Delegation agreement has been in place over five years, for this reason the Program staff will begin the process of reviewing and updating the 102/NPDES Program Delegation Agreements. Although the Program is still working on a timeline, the hope is to have an updated draft Delegation Agreement sometime in 2023.

Update on 105 e-permitting paperless – The Department has made the decision to concentrate IT resources on additional critical updates to the e-permitting system and the Chapter 105 GP modules before going paperless. At this time, we are no longer projecting a date for going paperless. It remains the Department’s goal to utilize the e-permitting system for all Chapter 105 GPs, and we will keep our District partners informed when we are able to shift IT resources back into implementing a paperless process.

Update on the Chapter 105 Rulemaking – The program has scheduled three advisory group presentations for the week of July 18th to provide an overview of the *draft* Final-Form Rulemaking changes and is still planning to take the Final-Form Rulemaking to the Environmental Quality Board this fall. The Final-Form Rulemaking package will be available for preview upon posting to the EQB’s website.

Clean Water Academy

PracticeKeeper Partner Submission and Approval Training Modules Available in the DEP Clean Water Academy - PracticeKeeper partner submission and approval workflow training modules have been added to the [Agriculture BMP Verification Training Series \(2022\)](#). After the completion of this course, external partners will have the necessary skills to submit and revise previously submitted farm plans and Best Management Practices (BMPs) for approval in the PracticeKeeper Database. County Conservation District (CCD) and DEP staff will have the necessary skills to approve, reject, or archive partner submitted farm plans and BMPs in the PracticeKeeper Database. The course entitled *PracticeKeeper Partner Submission and Approval* may be accessed directly here: <https://pacleanwateracademy.remote-learner.net/course/view.php?id=866> or from the *Agriculture BMP Verification Training Series (2022)* linked above. A subsequent announcement is forthcoming once the associated PracticeKeeper data entry modules have been moved to production. Once the PracticeKeeper partner submission modules are live and staff have been trained on the workflow, data entry related to BMP verification, Nutrient and Manure Management Planning, and Ag. E&S and Conservation Planning can be completed by industry or non-governmental entities reducing redundancies in data entry while maintaining the integrity and privacy of the data.

Ag. E&S Train-the-Trainer Series on the DEP Clean Water Academy - A new training has been posted to the DEP Clean Water Academy (CWA) at <https://pacleanwateracademy.remote-learner.net/course/view.php?id=865>. The course demonstrates the process by which County Conservation District (CCD) staff may facilitate a workshop for farmers in their community. The in-person or virtual workshop facilitated by CCD staff will walk farmers through the process of writing an Ag E&S Plan for their operation. Facilitating the workshops will count toward the education/information and outreach output measures of the Delegation Agreement for the Erosion and Sediment Control Program.

The CWA course is entitled *Conducting an Agricultural Erosion and Sediment Control Plan Writing Workshop – Facilitator Training* and contains several components. The first component is a series of five videos created by Penn State University that mirror in-person workshops previously held for agricultural operations in the state. These videos walk through each section of the Department’s technical guidance document, *Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Manual for Agricultural Operations* (383-4200-002), and aid in developing Ag. E&S plans for an agricultural operation. The course also comprises all resources necessary to facilitate the workshop including: eight PowerPoint presentations detailing the technical guidance document and specific information on how to use Penn State’s PAOneStop tool; Farmer Registration Packet; PAOneStop Participant Packet; and Workshop Overview.

Attachment B on the Clean Water Academy – Districts are required to update the Attachment B on the Clean Water Academy for the Chapter 102 and 105 Programs anytime there are staff changes at the district. The Attachment B can be found under the Data Portal. Course: Data Portal (remote-learner.net)

Chesapeake Bay Watershed

Chesapeake Bay Technician and Engineer Contract Renewal Package – On June 1, 2022, the Chesapeake Bay Office emailed the renewal package to the participating conservation districts in the Chesapeake Bay watershed. There will be a conference call held for conservation districts to review the renewal package and the Chesapeake Bay Agriculture Inspection Program Standard Operating Procedure on June 13, 2022 from 2:00 – 3:00 PM. The link to join the conference call was also included with the email provided to the conservation districts on June 1.

Charging Outreach Efforts to Bay Contracts – Districts requesting Bay Funding of newsletters, social media posts, etc. need to have the publications reviewed and approved by Bay Office Staff prior to being published. All written outreach must include a statement indicating that the project was financed in part by a Federal Environmental Protection Agency Grant provided by the PA Dept. of Environmental Protection. The following statement shall also be included in the final documentation: “The views expressed herein are those of the author(s) and do not necessarily reflect the views of EPA, DEP, or any of its subagencies”. This requirement is in each districts’ grant agreement in Attachment E, Special Conditions, Section II Reporting Requirements, Item F.

June 2022 Webinars – During the month of June the Chesapeake Bay Office hosted three Webinar Wednesday sessions. The first was held on June 1st and was titled “Tier 2 County Milestones and Cap Progress Reporting” and provided an overview of the Two-Year Milestone and Annual Progress Report process and timeline to CAP Coordinators and CAP lead entities. The next webinar was held on June 8th and was titled “2022 FieldDoc Walkthrough and Update” and provided county CAP Coordinators and county CAP lead entities with a walkthrough of the FieldDoc website and an overview of the updates to reporting requirements and the FieldDoc User Guide. Lastly, the webinar on June 22nd was titled “Behind the Scenes- Building partnership and managing projects” which highlighted the work being accomplished by Lancaster and Franklin County and gave CAP coordinators the opportunity to share advise and ask questions.

Pennsylvania’s Phase 3 Watershed Implementation Plan – Monthly e-newsletter

The Chesapeake Bay Office produces a monthly newsletter to showcase progress and updates on the statewide Phase 3 Watershed Implementation Plan and our local partners’ Countywide Action Plans. Our newsletter will highlight activities from the CBO and our partnering counties, agencies, and action team leaders; reporting and data tools; funding and grant opportunities; and major announcements.
<https://www.dep.pa.gov/Business/Water/Pennsylvania%E2%80%99s%20Chesapeake%20Bay%20Program%20Office/WIP3/Pages/Newsletter.aspx>

Dates to Remember

SCC Meetings – 1:00 PM

Hybrid Meeting (Red Lion Inn, Harrisburg)	July 20
Hybrid Meeting	Sept 13

SCC Conference Calls – 8:30 – 10:00 AM

Conference Call	Aug 16
Conference Call	Oct 15

Also, check the Conservation District Training/Special Events Calendar at, www.PACD.org Select the "Events" tab and then the "Training Calendar" tab.