

*Pennridge Water Resources Plan  
Status Report  
Thursday, August 30, 2007*

<b>Project Team:</b>	> <b>Coordination:</b> Bucks County Planning Commission
	> <b>Lead Consultant:</b> Borton-Lawson Engineering, Paul DeBarry, P.E., Project Mgr
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➤ **Partnership with Heritage Conservancy**

- Three-part project for consideration by PACC members:
  - Roundtable on the Pennridge Area Greenway Plan to reenergize interest in the implementation of the greenway plan before development eliminates opportunities.
  - Date/time/location - October 25, 2007 from 7:00PM-9:30PM in the District Office Board room, located in the Pennridge High School. This roundtable is open to all PACC members and Pennridge Area municipal officials
  - Roundtable on Pennridge Area Water Resources Sustainability to discuss the interrelationships among comprehensive planning, wastewater facilities planning and land use.
  - Date/time/location - January 17, 2008 7:00PM-9:30PM in the District Office Board Room, located in the Pennridge High School. We have the option to reserve an auditorium within the School District.
  - This Roundtable is open to all PACC members, Pennridge Area municipal officials and the general public.
  - Audits of Municipal Ordinances for Water Resource Protection to establish stronger linkage between land use controls and water/natural resource protection.
    - Participating Municipalities
      - East Rockhill Township: complete audit
      - West Rockhill Township: Invasive species audit

➤ **Plan Implementation & Grants Status**

- **SOURCE WATER PROTECTION GRANT PROGRAM**
  - Received comments and feedback from Bedminster Municipal Authority, some PACC representatives, and PADEP.
  - Currently working with Bruno Mercuri and Borton-Lawson relative to Mercuri's review on behalf of Perkasio Borough Authority
  - Documents will be edited to incorporate feedback received, and revised copies made available for public review on PACC website, Bucks County website, and a hard copy will be available in the Samuel Pierce (Perkasie) branch of the Bucks County Free Library System
  - Public meeting date, including PACC members, TBD

- **STORMWATER BASIN RETROFIT PROJECT**
  - Growing Greener Grant received for \$18,150
  - Field survey work was completed week of July 30, 2007
  - Borton-Lawson currently working on design schematic and project timetable
  - Will contact Deborah Cotner-Davis with start of new school year to determine if a new faculty advisor has been identified and/or to discuss other ideas.

➤ **Educational**

- **WREN GRANT**
  - Working on BMP site selections; preparation of invitations and survey forms; possible brochure designs; and the compilation of information to disseminate to attendees and municipalities.
  - Link to the BCPC and PACC websites for download of the BMP brochure so visitors to the site can take a virtual tour of sites included in bus tour.
  
- **11<sup>th</sup> annual Delaware Estuary Watershed Workshop for Teachers (Aug. 6 - 10)**
  - The Workshop is sponsored by the Partnership for the Delaware Estuary, PA DCNR's Bureau of State Parks and the Bucks County Conservation District.
  - Rea presented at the Watershed Workshop on August 7.
  - Presentation focused on the role of the Planning Commission, Act 247 reviews and the incorporation of best management practices in the review process; environmental laws and regulations (e.g., NPDES, Act 167, and Act 537); best management practices designs, (e.g. PACC basin retrofit project at West Rockhill Elementary School); WREN project, collaboration with other agencies and funding opportunities.

➤ **Topics:**

- **PACC materials on the web**
  - Currently working with the Hilltown website supplier to gain access to PACC folder to enable us to make updates
  - Will post Source Water Protection Documents to PACC website
  - Will post WREN grant project on PACC and BCPC websites

➤ **Next Steps: (September - October)**

- Continue to work with the Heritage Conservancy in implementing three-part project utilizing William Penn Foundation funding.
- Continue to work on stormwater basin retrofit design project including education component with Pennridge High School E.A.R.T.H. club.
- Continue Source Water Protection grant work.
- Continue to investigate potential funding sources for ongoing implementation activities.

<p><b>Next PACC Meeting:</b>  <b>Thursday, September 27, 2007 7:30pm</b></p>
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