



Monthly Board Meeting Agenda

Mission Statement: "Dedicated to the encouragement and instruction of the wise stewardship of the soil and waters of Berks County, so that the present and future generations may have healthy land on which to live and work, and clean water for drinking and recreation."

Date Wednesday, June 24, 2026

Time 1:00 p.m.

Location Kauffman's Bar-B-Que Restaurant, 254 Gravel Pit Road, Bethel, PA 19507

Call the Meeting to Order

Pledge the Flag

Public Comment

Action Item

- ❖ **Approval of Minutes of the Previous Board Meeting on May 27, 2026**

Financial Statements and E&S Fee Report

Action Item

- ❖ **Approval of Payment of Bills**

Correspondence

BCCD Staff Monthly Team Reports

- ❖ Ag Team
- ❖ Resource Conservation Team
- ❖ Education and Outreach
- ❖ Watershed
- ❖ MDC / Invasives Team

Cooperating Agency Reports

- ❖ *Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)*
- ❖ *Berks County Department of Agriculture & Berks County Agricultural Land Preservation*
- ❖ *Berks County Farm Bureau*
- ❖ *Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR)*
- ❖ *Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)*
- ❖ *Farm Service Agency (FSA)*
- ❖ *Penn State Extension – Berks County*
- ❖ *Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission*
- ❖ *Pennsylvania Game Commission*
- ❖ *Township Officials*

Committee Reports

- ❖ **Admin Tech**
- ❖ **RMC**
- ❖ **Workshop Conference Call**
- ❖ **Dirt, Gravel Low Volume Road**
- ❖ **Legislative Committee**
- ❖ **ACAP Committee**

- Mill Joy Farms sealed bid opening

Old Business

- ❖ **Lyons Solar**
- ❖ **PACD**
 - PACD/SCC Joint Annual Conference – August 5 – 6, 2026 | Harrisburg Farm Show Complex
- ❖ **Building Plaque**

New Business

- ❖ **Electronic Checks to Pay Bills with Tompkins**
 - Details will be provided
- ❖ **SWAG Bus at Kempton Fair update**
- ❖ **Inaugural Berks County Sportsman Expo**
 - Saturday, August 22, 2026, 10 am – 1 pm, Kempton Community Center
 - Would the Board like the District to participate in the event?



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CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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❖ Affiliate Memberships

❖ Signature Needed

- **Action Item** Watershed Specialist Grant Annual Renewal
\$55,250.00

Upcoming Events

- ❖ July 20, 2026 - Annual Awards and Scholarship Dinner – Oley Fairgrounds, Oley
- ❖ October 2, 2026 – Envirothon Clay Shoot – Wing Pointe Sporting Clays, Hamburg
- ❖ November 19, 2026 - 80th Anniversary Celebration – The Warehouse, Hamburg

Nutrient Management Plans - Amendments

Name	Municipality	Animal Type & Numbers	Acres	Plan Type	AEU	AEU/ Acre	Reviewer
Delbert Burkholder	Albany Twp.	39,200 Ducks, 30 Sheep	89.8	VAO/CAFO	84.08	0.94	Harig
Glendon Martin	Penn Twp.	4,800 Swine, 117,000 Broilers	111.1	CAO/CAFO	1,062.15	9.56	Harig
Neil Martin	Upper Bern Twp.	160,000 Broilers	91.7	CAO/CAFO	268.27	3.55	Paisley

Action Item

The delegated conservation district shall approve, modify or disapprove any NMP within 90 days of receipt of the complete plan.

- *The district's action on the plan requires a formal action of the board.*
- *If a NMP operation plan is disapproved, the NMP operation submitting the plan for the first time shall have 90 days after receipt of a written notice explaining specific reasons for the disapproval to resubmit a revised plan.*

SC-1 Requests

Name	Operator / Owner	Cooperator	Municipality	Watershed	Acres	Reason
David Nace	OW/OP	Yes	Rockland Twp.	Schuylkill	100	Cons Planning

Action Item

Urban Team Update

# of Projects		Item
April	May	
27	22	Chapter 102 Applications Received
7	2	Chapter 105 Applications Received
46	66	Tech Reviews 102 and 105
29	34	Completeness Reviews
35	30	Non-Complaint Inspections (Routine, NOT)
7	8	New Complaints Received
10	15	E&S Plans Approvals Issued
6	9	Chapter 102 Permits Issued
2	2	Chapter 105 Permits Issued
7	9	PCSM Reviews (Total)
102 Projects + PennDOT 102 Projects = Disturbed Acres		
		Project Acres
		Disturbed Acres
102 Projects – Initial Plan Reviews		260.42
PennDOT 102 Projects – Initial Plan Reviews		124.51
		0
Total Disturbances		260.42
		124.51

102/105 Enforcement and Potential Enforcement Actions

- Bollinger Road/Sonnen Farm, Marion Twp (CM-06-00600) (Preserved Farm): Marion Township. Floodway Encroachment. As of March 25, 2025, the project will be bid out a second time due to complications with negotiations between the property owner and Jackson Township. The contractor will need to wait until October 1, 2025, to begin the restoration efforts, due to construction restrictions based on a nearby bald eagle nest. On July 29, 2025, the BCCD requested assistance from DEP for attaining voluntary compliance. DEP is scheduling a meeting with all stakeholders. A meeting was held on 2/5/2026 and parties are moving toward compliance by removing the material



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- 201 Forge Dam Road Driveway Improvements, Upper Bern Twp (ESP-06-02638) PAC060348: Michael Piepoli, 299 MSS, LLC. NPDES Permit Non-Compliance. The Corrective Action Plan (CAP) has been approved. The Permittee must now implement the CAP. However, an ongoing civil suit with the Township is complicating matters, which may trigger further enforcement by PA DEP. PA DEP has contacted the Township and awaits internal guidance on how to proceed. The Township responds that the request has been sent to the Township Solicitor. The Township appears to indicate that the CAP can proceed and that the Twp's concerns are merely ancillary.
- Lyons Solar (PAD060068): The solar panels and PCSM BMPs have been installed. The amended soils and permanent seeding have occurred. The PCSM BMPs have been converted to their permanent conditions. The As-built survey was submitted and is acceptable. Additional infiltration testing was performed and revised calculations based on the post-construction infiltration rates and are adequate. We are currently waiting a significant enough rain event to ensure the basins infiltrate within the required 72 hours after the end of the storm event.
- 170 N. Bingaman Street Exeter Twp/St. Lawrence Borough (CM-06-00399): Mike Coulter. An unpermitted stream obstruction/bridge installation. 6/17/2025: DEP issues a General Permit 11. However, issues remain with the permitting and the site is not back into compliance.
- 1641 Alleghenyville Rd., Brecknock Twp (Com-25-027). Swartz Farm – The landowner has acquired legal representation. No compliance efforts have been made outside of temporary stabilization. A follow-up inspection was conducted, and the inspection report is waiting on the District Executive's approval before formally sending it to Dautrich & O'Brien Law Offices, P.C.
- 1068 Fritztown Road, South Heidelberg & Spring Twps CM-06-00714 (Com-24-120) CTS 385585. Mike Lawson. Unpermitted wetland fill and stream dredge. The landowner has acquired legal representation and PA DEP has agreed to accept an enforcement referral. On July 11, 2025, the District submitted the enforcement referral to DEP. To date, there has been no response from DEP. However, the DEP Compliance Specialist for Berks County had since resigned.
- Glen Ridge Estates, Lower Heidelberg (PAC060063) – the Township has asked for our assistance in getting DEP to provide some pressure on the developer to complete the project. All homes are completed; however, the PCSM SCMs have not been converted to their final configuration. Requests to perform this work have been going on for a couple of years with no response.
- Pricetown Road Complaint – sent to DEP for enforcement; have not received a response from DEP

Comments
Adjournment

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