

Chapter 105 General Permits

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Engineer's Workshop

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Topics

- Ch 105: General Overview
- Ch 105: General Permit Overview
- Ch 105 GP Registration Package Requirements & Common Mistakes
- PASPGP-6: Federal Authorization
- GP-1, 3, 5, 7, 8, 11
- Submitting Applications to DEP
- Resources
- Questions

CH 105 Permitting Overview

- Chapter 105 regulations, requires permits for the construction, operation, or modification of <u>water</u> obstructions and or encroachments
 - "Regulated Waters": Watercourses, streams or bodies of water (includes wetlands, natural and artificial ponds/lakes) and their floodways wholly or partly within or on the boundary of the Commonwealth.
 - Permits/authorizations issued under Ch 105 include: Joint Permit & Small Project Permits, Environmental Assessments, and General Permit Registrations.
 - Emergency Permits, Waiver Verifications Letters, and Permitting Determinations are also issued by DEP, for Ch 105 covered activities, as needed or requested
- Ch 105 General Permits are permits which have already been acknowledged by the Department. They are permits developed by DEP for smaller projects which meet general design standards, eligibility requirements and follow specific construction criteria for minimal resource impacts.
- When applying for a General Permit it is to register the project for use of the General Permit, for certain activities which are considered water obstructions and/or encroachments. All aspects of the project must meet all conditions of the respective GP registration to be eligible.

Ch 105 General Permit (GP) Overview

GP-1: Fish Habitat Enhancement Structures

GP-2: Small Docks & Boat Launching Ramps

GP-3: Bank Rehab., Protection & Gravel Bar Removal

GP-4: Intake & Outfall Structures

GP-5: Utility Line Stream Crossings

GP-6: Agricultural Crossings and Activities

GP-7: Minor Road Crossings

GP-8: Temporary Road Crossings

GP-9: Agricultural Activities

GP-10: Abandoned Mine Reclamation

GP-11: Maintenance, Testing, Repair, Rehab or Replacement of Existing Water Obstructions and Encroachments GP-15: Private Residential Construction in Wetlands

- Ch 105 provides 11 different General Permits
 - 9- GPs are applicable in the Southwest Region
 - GP-10 issued by the Mining Program Only
 - GP-15 is not applicable for our region
- The Southwest Region of DEP has 6 delegated county conservation districts, for the Ch 105 program
- GP-11 is reviewed by Regional Office

- All GPs have associated conditions, eligibility & design criteria
 - These documents should be kept with the approved GP registration package, on-site, during construction. Applicant/Owner should review, understand, and retain these documents along with the GP registration package after construction is completed.
- GPs are perpetual authorizations however some GPs (7 & 8) have time restrictions for construction and/or removal
- GPs are attached to the property and should be transferred if the property is sold
- All GPs require an appropriate E&S plan to be reviewed and approved prior to construction

- GP Registration Form: 3150-PM-BWEW0500 Rev. 04/2021
- The GP Registration form is divided into <u>7 sections</u>:
 - Section A: Applicant Information
 - Section B: Consultant Information
 - Section C: Project Information
 - Section D: General Permit Checklist & Requirements
 - Section E: Proposed Impacts
 - Section F: Certification
 - Section G: Decision/Disposition- Completed by DEP (not covered)

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• Section A: Applicant Information:

- include the Applicant EIN, if applicable
- Include email address for electronic notification

• Section B: Consultant Information:

• Include consultant EIN & email

• Section C: Project Information:

- Fill in completely
- One County only

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CHAPTER 105 WATER OBSTRUCTIONS AND ENCROACHMENT GENERAL PERMIT REGISTRATION

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- Section D: General Permit & Checklist
- Mark Fee **Exemption** Box if applicable
 - Municipalities, municipal authorities, state & federal agencies are exempt
- Mark all GPs to be registered and fill in details as needed; dollar amounts are not required for exempt applicants

*Note: GP-5 is per utility /per crossing; GP-11 has associated disturbance fees

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		SECTION D. REGISTRATION (CHECKLIST AND REQUIREMEN	TS	
	Please	place an "X" next to each Item (1-9) to ensure it is comp	leted and/or provided.		
	Unless	otherwise specified, all items are <u>required</u> to ensure a comp	piete Registration package.		
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	Please	provide a copy of the Registration form to the Municipa is not required to	ality & County in which the work be provided to DEP.	will be per	1. Proof of receipt
	1. RE	GISTERING A GENERAL PERMIT (GP) check all that app	ну		
	Federa	I, State, county or municipal agencies or municipal auth	orities:		EXEMPT from fees
	GP-1	Fish Habitat Enhancement Structures	Per Project	\$ 50	-\$
	GP-2	Small Docks and Boat Launching Ramps	Per Dock / Ramp (#) x	\$ 175	- 5
	GP-3	Bank Rehabilitation, Bank Protection and Gravel Bar Removal	Per Project (#) x		
				\$ 250	- \$
	GP-4	Intake and Outfall Structures	Per Structure(#) x	\$ 200	-\$
	GP-5	Utility Line Stream Crossings Per Individual U	tility(#) x(#) x	\$ 250	-\$
	GP-6	Agricultural Crossings and RampsPer	Crossing / Ramp(#) x	\$ 50	-5
	GP-7	Minor Road Crossings ²	Per Crossing(#) x	\$ 350	- 5
	GP-8	Temporary Road Crossings ²	Per Crossing(#) x	\$ 175	- \$
	GP-9	Agricultural Activities		\$ 50	- \$
	GP-10	Abandoned Mine Reclamation	Per Project	\$ 500	- \$
	GP-11	Maintenance, Testing, Repair, Rehabilitation, or Replacement of Water Obstructions and Encroachments ¹			
				\$ 750	+
		Temporary Disturbance (\$400/0.1ac)	acres x \$4,000 =	\$	+
		Permanent Disturbance (\$800/0.1ac)	acres x \$8,000 =	\$	-\$
	GP-15	Private Residential Construction in Wetlands ¹		\$ 750	+
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- Section D: General Permit & Checklist
 - Refer to the <u>GP Registration Form</u> <u>Instructions</u> for requirements of each item under Section D. (D2.-D9.)
 - Municipal/County Notifications still required to be sent for GPs but proof is not required to be submitted

		Applicant Entry	DEP Use Only
2.	Location Map (USGS quad map) with project site marked:		
3.	Color Photographs with dates, locations, and descriptions: GP-3 GP-11 N/A		
4.	Project Description: (Example: Unear pipeline project using multiple GP-5's and GP-8's; One GP-7 for an access road to my property)		
5.	Site Specific and/or Standard Drawings are (required for all) project's GP activities.		
	For Activities that qualify for GP-7 or GP-11		
	Plans, specifications, and reports for bridges and culverts across a stream which are to be used by the general public such as an access to an industrial, commercial or residential development, etc., shall be prepared by a registered professional engineer and shall be affixed with their seal and certification which shall read as follows on the drawings. If the project includes a bridge or culvert replacement or the proposed work will change the waterway.		
	opening, please complete and provide the <u>Bridge and/or Culvett Replacement Projects or Projects That</u> <u>Change the Waterway Opening (3150-PM-BWEWD5528)</u> worksheet. If the project consists of similar work (replacement or change in waterway opening) on more than one structure, provide the data requested for each structure included in this Registration package.		
	"I (name) do hereby certify pursuant to the penalties of 18 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 4004 to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, that the information contained in the accompanying plans, specifications, and reports has been prepared in accordance with accepted engineering practice, is true and correct, and is in conformance with Chapter 105 of the rules and regulations of the Department of Environmential Protection."		
6.	Proposed Project Purpose depicting the site of the projects GP activities and impacts. Briefly discuss the need for the authorization.		
7.	Erosion & Sediment Control Plan (E&S Plan) (Required for all GP's but specifically required with submission with a registration of GP-11 or GP's for oil and gas related activities submitted to DEP.)		
8.	Pennsylvania Natural Diversity Inventory (PNDI): PNDI Search Receipt and clearance letters, if available. See additional requirements for submission with Avoidance Measures and/or Potential Impacts.		
9.	Activities which impact wetlands: (For State Regulated impacts) Please place an "X" next to the appropriate box indicating the information provided:		
	N/A because no wetland impacts are proposed or no compensatory mitigation is necessary.		
	A wetland delineation with complete data sheets in accordance with the 1987 Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual AND the appropriate Regional Supplements to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual for use in Pennsylvaria.		
	If direct or indirect wetland impacts are greater than 0.05 acre, a compensatory mitigation plan in accordance with the Department's Replacement oriteria which provides compensation for both affected acreage, and functions at a minimum of one to one ratio.		
	If compensatory mitigation onsite is determined not feasible: A check, number in the amount of \$payable to the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, N.A. 1237, as compensatory mitigation foracres of impact in wetlands, in accordance with the Pennsylvania Wetland Replacement Project.		
	(Additional Mitigation May Be Required by U.S. Army Corps)		
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- Section D: General Permit & Checklist
 - D4. Project Description should be specific to the activities being registered under the Ch 105 General Permit
 - Include any identified PNDI Avoidance Measures

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Section D: General Permit & Checklist

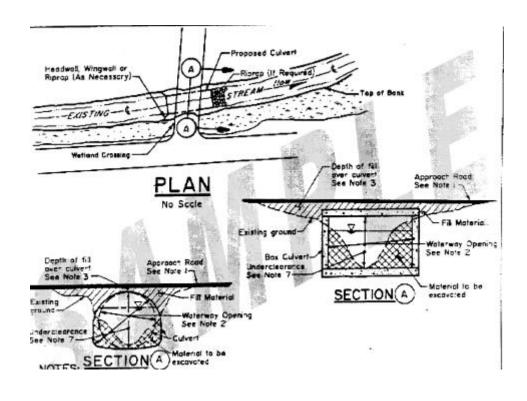
• Site Plans (standard drawings)/Project Purpose (D5. & D6.)

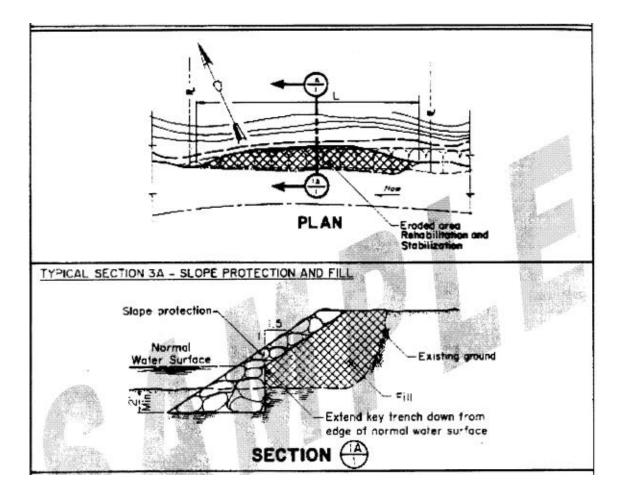
 \odot Site Plans should have/include the following:

- A. Show all floodplains, floodways (assumed or FEMA defined), watercourses, wetlands (delineated)
- B. Existing roads, Utl lines, lots, other manmade structures; contours and drainage patterns
- C. Proposed structure or activities, with labels (match ARIT)
- D. Scale 1in. = 200 ft or >
- E. North Arrow
- F. Persons who prepared & applicant names (with date)
- G. Cross-sectional view: before & after (existing and proposed)
- H. Unique Label for each impact which corresponds to Impact Table in Section E.

Project Purpose should depict all of the activities being registered

• Site Plan Examples (standard drawings)





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• Section D: General Permit & Checklist

• D7. Erosion & Sediment Control Plan

• Identify E&S BMPs on GP Site Plan

• D8. PNDI

 Choose an appropriate project type for the GP activities (use main GP)

• D9. Wetlands

 All registrations should show verification of the presence or absence of wetlands at the site of the GP activities.

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- Section E: Aquatic Resource Impact Table (ARIT)
- Permanent Impact vs Temporary Impact
- ACOE Impacts vs DEP Impacts
 - HDD/Bore Projects
- Right of Ways

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Applicant's Name / Client

AQUATIC RESOURCE IMPACT TABLE

FOR PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER 105 WATER OBSTRUCTION AND ENCROACHMENT APPLICATION / REGISTRATION

Project /	Site Name):		Example P	roject					Date:		202	21	
DEP USE ONLY			Projec	t Information					PA DI	EP / 105			Enter Only fro DEP Im Army Corp	npacts
PADEP Permit Number	Structure / Activity unique identifier	Aquatic Resource Type	Latitude dd nad83	Longitude dd nad83	Waters Name	PA Code Chapter 93 Designation	Work Proposed	DEP Impact Type temp/perm	ACOE Impact Type temp/perm	Watercourse Impact Top of Bank to Top of Bank Length and Width in feet	Floodway Impact Top of Bank Landward Length and Width in feet	Wetland Impact Dimensions Length and Width in feet	Watercourse Impact Length and Width in feet	Wetland Impact Length and Width in feet
	GP-5-1	Perennial	41.7710531	77.152930	Dunn Creek	CWF	Excavation/ Utility Line	Perm	Temp	50 - 30	100 - 30	N/A		
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	GP-5-2	Perennial	41.7710589	77.152985	Dunn Creek	CWF	Directional Bore	Perm	N/A	40 - 30	100 - 30	N/A	0	
	GP-5-3	Topographic slope, Mineral (SLtn)	41.7710618	77.152945		Other	Excavation	Perm	Temp	N/A	N/A	10 - 30		
	GP-5-3	Topographic slope, Mineral (SLtn)	41.7710618	77.152945	XP	Other	Excavation	Temp	Temp	N/A	N/A	10 - 10		
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NOTE: Form 3150-PM-BWEW0557 or equivalent must be printed/submitted for this General Permit Registration or Joint Permit Application.

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- Section F: Certification
 - Application should be signed by the appropriate person/party as outlined by the Ch 105 GP Registration Form Instructions

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- Most GP projects also require federal authorization (stream/wetland impacts)
 - ACOE Does NOT regulate the Floodway/Floodplain; DEP Does
- DEP issues federal authorizations for <u>non-reporting projects</u>, as outlined in the Pennsylvania State Programmatic General Permit (PASPGP)- issued by the Army Corps of Engineers
 - currently in its 6th iteration (PASPGP-6)
- Most Ch 105 GPs have the same general eligibility requirements for PASPGP authorization:
 - <1.0 acre of temporary impacts and/or <0.25 of permanent impacts (cumulative)
 - GP-1 differs slightly
- Other scenarios as outlined in the PASPGP-6 permit would make a project reporting to the ACOE
 - Other Common Reporting Projects: Section 10 Waterways or federally endangered species
- Early coordination with ACOE is essential; IF known a project will be reporting you are encouraged to permit your project directly through the Corps to save time

• GP-1 Requirements

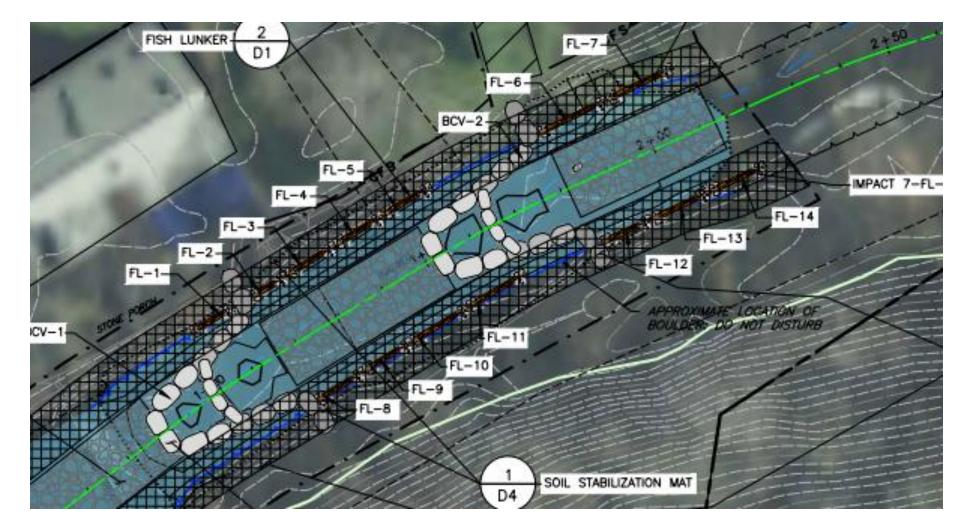
• Project Scope & Eligibility Requirements



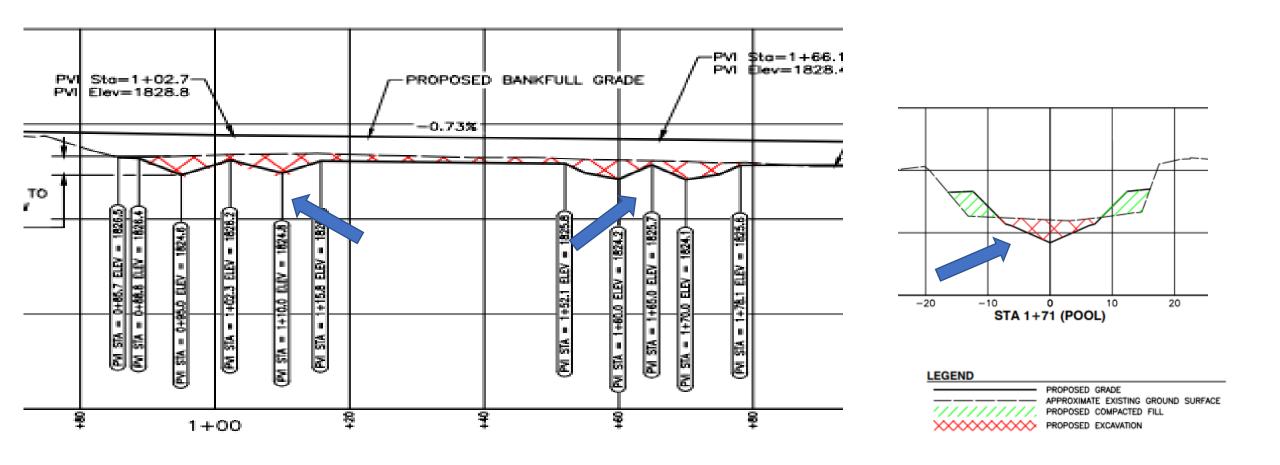
- GP-1 Requirements
 - Structure Designs require prior PAFBC approval
 - PAFBC provides a letter to be submitted with GP-1 Registration Package



Project Scope & Eligibility:



• Project Scope



GP-03 Bank Rehab, Bank Protection & Gravel Bar Removal

- Common Issues
 - Bank Stabilization Projects
 - "Gravel Bar" Removal Projects
 - Slope/Bank Protection Projects
- PNDI Project Types for GP-3
 - Habitat Conservation: Streambank Stabilization (w/riprap, if applicable) for Bank Stabilization and/or protection projects
 - In-Stream Activities: Gravel Bar Removal



GP-3 Common Issues- Bank Stabilization Projects

Bank Stabilization Projects

- 6' Height Limit \sim avoid gabion baskets for long-term stabilization in H₂0
- Typical Design Drawings available

Eligibility:

- No Tires in Design
- 500 LF or less



GP-3 Common Issues: Gravel Bar Removal Projects

- Gravel Bar Removal Projects
 - Bank Stabilization or Protection component?
 - Vegetation Present?
 - Removal to Normal Water Line (pre-storm)
- Eligibility
 - No EV Streams
 - No Vegetated Gravel Bars



GP-3 Common Issues: Bank/Slope Protection Projects

Bank Protection Projects

- Use of RipRap
- Bank Deflectors



GP-05 Utility Line Crossing

- Common Issues
 - HDD vs Excavation
 - IR/PPC plans
 - New Utility Crossing vs Replacement Projects
 - Extension Projects
 - Multiple-crossing Linear Projects



GP-05 Common Issues

- HDD vs Excavation
 - Impacts for Excavation
 - Traditional Boring vs HDD
 - IR/PPC plans for HDD
- Replacement Projects
 - Abandonment?
 - Existing crossings
- Extension Projects
 - Impacts associated with existing line/ tie-in points
- Linear Projects w Multiple Crossings
 - Site Plans
 - Replacement Project?



GP-07 Minor Road Crossing



- Common Issues
 - Design
 - Site Limitations
- GP-7 Eligibility

GP-07 Common Issues

• Design

- Existing/After-the Fact projects or Replacements using GP-7
- Typical Drawings
- Least impactful design
- Fill restrictions for culverts
- Depressed Culverts
 - Stream Continuity



GP-07 Common Issues

- Site Limitations
 - Scope of Project
 - Resource Features

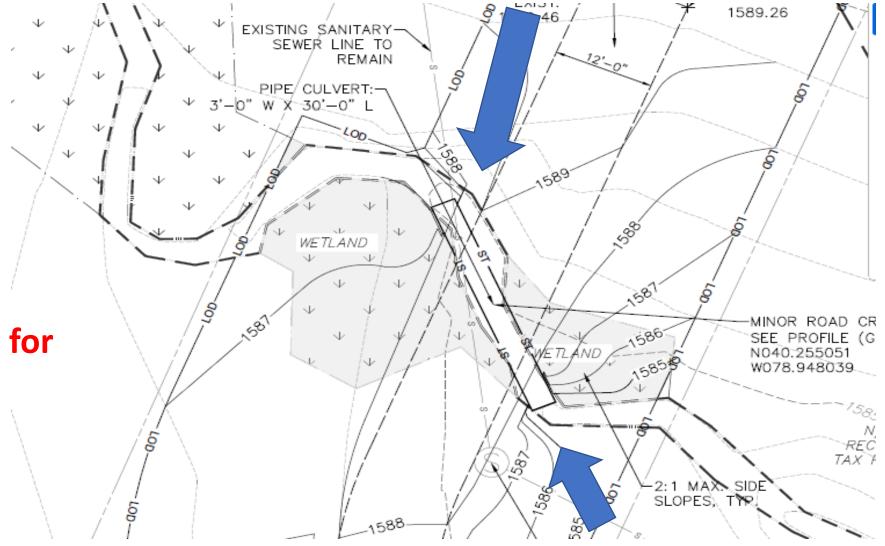
Project Scope Not Eligible for GP-7



GP-07 Common Issues

- Site Limitations
 - Scope of Project
 - Resource Features







- Sites/activities where GP-7 is not eligible:
 - Stream Enclosures (Culvert 100 LF or more in length)
 - EV Streams
 - Crossings located in a Drainage Area greater than 1 sq. mile
 - Crossings located in a stream with a designated floodplain (Zone A/AE)
 - Wetland Crossings with an impact greater than 0.1 acre or cumulative wetland impacts are greater than 0.25 acre
 - Phased projects consider all planned/potential minor road crossings for totals



- Design
 - Stream Crossings
 - Wetland Crossings
 - Mixed Resource Crossings
- Restoration & Removal

Design

Temporary Road Crossing of a Stream:

- Minimum 12" diameter
- Maximum diameter to be used as allowed by bank height; or series of pipes or bridge required
- Must allow for overtopping within the stream channel



Design

Temporary Road Crossing of a Wetland:

- Timber mats are the preferred crossing method where hydrology is not an issue; swampmats/yakmats are also acceptable
- Avoiding Soil Compaction is the goal
- Crossing method should be identified in application and typical drawing provided with plans



Design

Temporary Road Crossing with Mixed Resources:



- Each resource type should use an appropriate temp, crossing method
- Fill for approaches within a wetland should be minimized to what is necessary for stability of the stream crossing

Restoration & Removal of a Temporary Crossing:

- The crossing must be restored to original or better conditions within 5 days, after use is no longer needed.
- All temporary crossings must be removed and restored within 1-year of acknowledgement



- Common Issues
 - Bridges & Culverts
- Operation & Maintenance
- Eligibility



Common Issues for Bridges & Culverts

- Changes to Waterway Opening
 - Form: 3150-PM-BWEW0552B
 - H&H Analysis
- When to use GP-08?
 - Temporary Crossing for access or Construction purposes in LOD vs Access to the site or Vehicle traffic outside of LOD for GP-11
- Other GPs
 - GP-4/Outfall or Appurtenant Structure?
 - GP-3 for RipRap





Operation & Maintenance of a Bridge or Culvert:

- All permitted structures are required to be operational and maintained properly
- If major repairs or modifications are required to the structure new authorizations may also be required
- DEP has standards for channel cleaning
- No permit required for simple debris and trash removal
 - \circ No heavy machinery in stream

Eligibility

- Change of Use
- Design Requirements same as other GPs with similar project scopes



Submitting GPs to DEP

- SW DEP reviews Fayette & Somerset GPs & all GP-11s
- All GPs can be submitted via e-permitting (for CCD or DEP review)
- DEP now has <u>Public Upload with Payment</u>

<u>https://www.dep.pa.gov/Business/Water/Waterways/Encroachments/PermittingAndAuthorizations/Pages/How-to-Submit-Permit-Applications-and-Authorizations.aspx</u>

Submitting to DEP

Electronic Application Form Uploads

DEP now accepts online payments. Please submit new public upload submissions here: <u>Public Upload with Payment</u>

If this is a resubmission of something initially submitted before 12/15/2023, please resubmit here: <u>OnBase Public Upload</u>

Benefits of using the form include:

- Lower costs for DEP and applicants no paper and mailing envelopes
- Better efficiency for DEP staff; applications can more easily be moved between staff to prevent backlog



Resources & Links:

DEP OnBase Upload with Payment

https://www.dep.pa.gov/DataandTools/Pages/Application-Form-Upload.aspx

DEP Waterways & Wetlands Program Website

https://www.dep.pa.gov/Business/Water/Waterways/Encroachments/Pages/default.aspx

DEP e-Library Waterways & Wetlands Ch 105 General Permits

https://greenport.pa.gov/elibrary/GetFolder?FolderID=4050

DEP Trenchless Technology Guidance:

https://greenport.pa.gov/elibrary/GetFolder?FolderID=1039254

PHMC Mapping Tool

https://share.phmc.pa.gov/pashare/landing

PAFBC Trout Streams Mapping Tool

https://pfbc.maps.arcgis.com/apps/PublicGallery/index.html?appid=93d7c5b3c37b4ff78232493ba45186ae

National Wetland Inventory (NWI):

Wetlands Mapper | U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (fws.gov)

GP-1 – PAFBC Habitat Structure Sample Drawings

https://www.fishandboat.com/Conservation/Habitat/Pages/Stream-Habitat.aspx



Questions?



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