

**Pennypack Watershed Elected Officials  
Act 167 Stormwater Management Plan Review Meeting  
Tuesday, February 15, 2011, 7:00 – 8:30 pm  
Upper Moreland Township Building**

**Meeting Notes**

**1-Introduction and Welcome – Paul Racette, Pennsylvania Environmental Council (PEC)**

Paul gave a brief overview as follows (see attached presentation)

- Overview and benefits of Watershed Partnerships
- Summary of stormwater survey of suburban municipal residents
- Introduced Act 167 Plan and stormwater finance speakers.

**2-Overview of New Act 167 Stormwater Management Plan:**

Representatives from Temple University's Center for Sustainable Communities and Philadelphia Water Department provided a brief overview of the Act 167 Plan. The Plan evaluates stormwater runoff trends based on projected land development scenarios, and inventories stormwater management project opportunities across the watershed.

**3-New Act 167 Stormwater Ordinance:** Richard Nalbandian of Temple University's Center for Sustainable Communities provided an overview of the new ordinance. Once the Act 167 Plan is finalized, municipalities will be required to update their ordinances to comply with the Act 167 ordinance (see attached draft ordinance).

**4-Stormwater Best Management Project Opportunities and PennVest Funding:**

Mindy Lemoine, Pennsylvania Environmental Council summarized lessons learned from the 2008 PennVest application submitted by Pennypack municipalities for stormwater projects, and discussed options for future municipal PennVest applications.

Suggested finance options included PennVest (but this requires that designs be completed, and this more typically is a loan (low interest or bond) and not a grant). Idea of stormwater authority also suggested; municipalities interested in learning more but not yet agreeable on initiating stormwater authority. Municipalities did express interest in inter-municipal collaboration/shared service agreements for stormwater management. They currently have such arrangements for other services such as insurance and health.

**3-Attendees:** Elected officials from Pennypack Watershed Municipalities; along with municipal engineers (attendance list not available at time of this posting; contact Paul Racette for information [pracette@pecpa.org](mailto:pracette@pecpa.org)).