



Township News

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PENN TOWNSHIP ADOPTS NEW STORMWATER MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE

On April 28th, an updated Stormwater Management Ordinance was adopted by the Township (Ordinance No. 2014-04), ensuring compliance with Act 167—Pennsylvania’s Stormwater Management Act. Much had been publicized throughout Lancaster County over the past year about Act 167 and the obligations on municipalities like Penn Township and its residents. The Ordinance was passed with a conscious effort to minimize financial impacts on landowners while tackling the important issues of flooding and water quality.

More information, including the full ordinance and supplemental materials can be found on the Township’s Stormwater Management Ordinance page:

<http://www.penntwplanco.org/2182/Stormwater-Management-Ordinance>

Stormwater can be managed with a number of allowable solutions, including surface and subsurface facilities.

Depending on the site and its context, something like an above-ground rain garden (above, left) or below-ground storage (below, left) may be appropriate.



Key Highlights of New Ordinance:

- ♦ Clarified design standards
- ♦ Consistency with PA BMP Manual
- ♦ More flexibility for above-ground stormwater facilities
- ♦ No increase in post-development flows from the 2-year storm (3.03")
- ♦ Agricultural & Conservation Zone exemption REMOVED
- ♦ Built property exemption MAINTAINED
- ♦ “Small Projects” alternative processing for 5,000 sf. or less ADDED

Contact the Penn Township Municipal Office for help with this or any other land use ordinances.

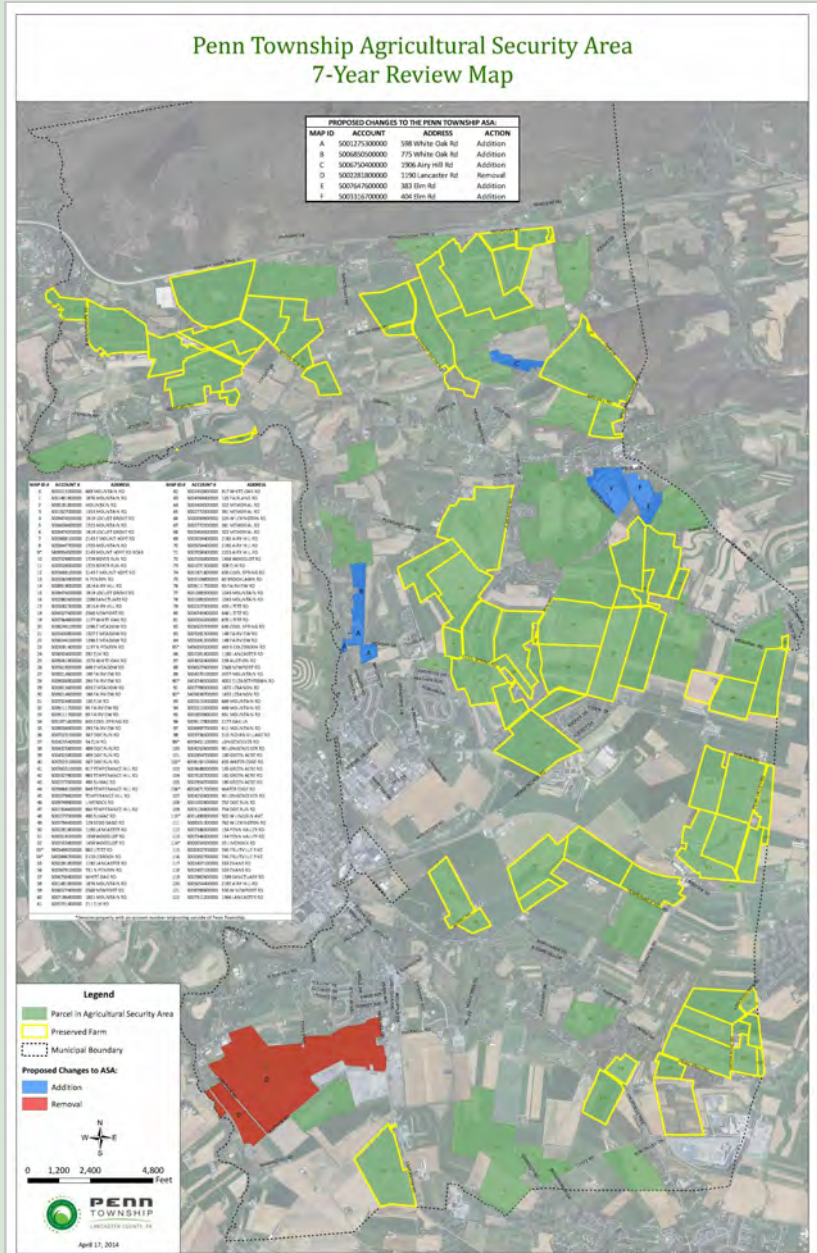
CHANGES TO THE AGRICULTURAL SECURITY AREA PROPOSED

Penn Township began a review of its Agricultural Security Area (ASA) this year, a designation that covers about 5,000 acres in our municipality. This review, which is formally called the Seven-Year Review by Pennsylvania's Agricultural Security Area Law, opens the door for landowners to add or remove property from the ASA. During that open period, five landowners requested changes to the six properties listed in the table on the right:

The five proposed additions would increase the Penn Township ASA by approximately 144 acres, while the removal of the Manheim Auto Auction site from the ASA will reduce it by ±300 acres. Despite the net reduction in area, the changes will arguably result in the growth of productive agricultural lands enrolled in the program since the Auto Auction's facility is nearly all covered in pavement.

Existing ASA areas are shaded green on the map to the right*, and the properties up for consideration are either blue (addition) or red (removal). In addition to the shading, the yellow-outlined parcels are those that are preserved farms—in other words, protected by Agricultural Conservation Easements. The colors provide a general understanding of where the Township's key agricultural areas are, although many of the farms in the south have prime agricultural attributes but are not enrolled in the ASA or preserved.

PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE PENN TOWNSHIP ASA:			
MAP ID	ACCOUNT	ADDRESS	ACTION
A	5001275300000	598 White Oak Rd	Addition
B	5006850500000	775 White Oak Rd	Addition
C	5006750400000	1906 Airy Hill Rd	Addition
D	5002281800000	1190 Lancaster Rd	Removal
E	5007647600000	383 Elm Rd	Addition
F	5003316700000	404 Elm Rd	Addition



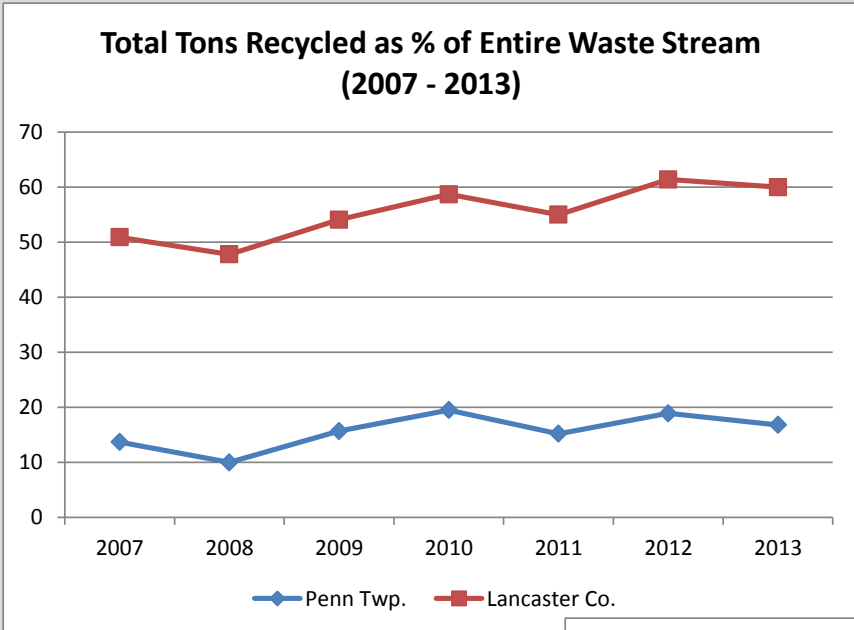
*If viewing the electronic version of the Township News, click the map on the right to link to our ASA Advisory Committee webpage and download the full-sized PDF version. Paper-copy readers can enter the following URL into a web browser to access the page:

<http://www.penntwplanco.org/2149/ASA-Advisory-Committee>

The map is also available for review at the Township Office during regular business hours.

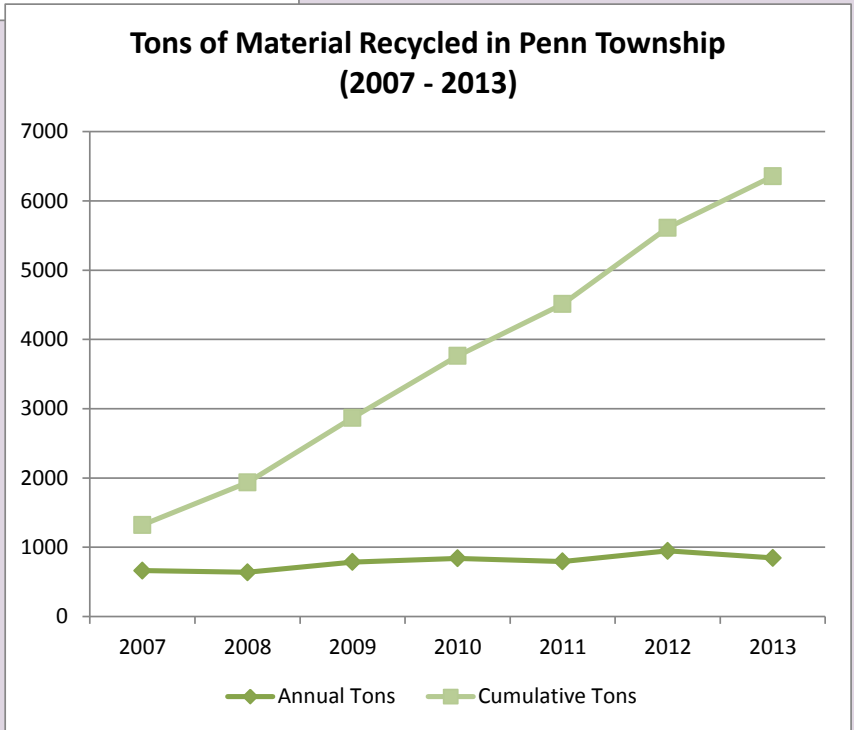
PENN TOWNSHIP RECYCLING PROGRAM & 2013 RECYCLING DATA

The results are in—Penn Township residents and businesses recycled a total of 845 tons in 2013, which was 16.8% of the total waste stream. Keep throwing those bottles, cans, and other recyclables that your trash hauler accepts into the green bin! Also, remember that a corrugated cardboard collection bin provided by Good’s Disposal Service is available at the Township Office for your flattened cardboard.



Although the percentage of recyclables diverted from our local waste stream was slightly down from 2012, recycling activity has been trending upward since 2007. A similar phenomenon can be seen county-wide in the chart on the left.

The 845 tons recycled last year was down from the 947 tons in 2012, but the general trend has been upward since 2007. In fact, 5,510 tons have been recycled in Penn Township over those seven years. Over that time, 15.4% of the total waste stream was diverted through recycling.



NEED TO GET RID OF LEAVES, CLIPPINGS, & GRASS FROM YOUR YARD?

Penn Valley Farm Quality Compost located at 952 Temperance Hill Road accepts these yard waste materials for recycling. For more information, contact Robert Keller at (717) 665-7462.

FROM THE NORTHWESTERN LANCASTER COUNTY AUTHORITY: ANNUAL DRINKING WATER QUALITY REPORTS AVAILABLE

NWLCA Drinking Water Customers

Please visit <http://www.penntwplanco.org/2224/NWLCA-Report> to view your 2013 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report. This report contains important information about the source and quality of your drinking water. For a translation of the water quality report or to speak with someone about the report, please call (717) 664-0746. If you would like a paper copy of the 2013 Annual Water Quality Report mailed to your home, please call (717) 664-0746.

Cientes de La Compañía de Agua NWLCA

Para acceder al más reciente reporte anual de calidad de agua y para más información acerca de su agua potable puede visitar <http://www.penntwplanco.org/2224/NWLCA-Report>. El reporte anual contiene valiosa información acerca de las fuentes de abasto y calidad de su agua potable. Para obtener una traducción del reporte de calidad de agua o para preguntas acerca del reporte por favor comuníquese al (717) 664-0746.



MANHEIM BOROUGH SEEKS INPUT ABOUT THE FUTURE OF THE POOL

A message from Manheim Borough...

“Over the past year, Borough Council has been looking at the operational and maintenance costs of the Manheim Community Pool. This past summer, the pool had its lowest revenue numbers in recent years. As a result, the Borough ended up spending over \$100,000 above our revenues to keep the pool open.

Therefore, the Borough Council requested that we do a survey of the area residents to get their opinion on the pool. The Borough is at a point where we need to choose whether to make some serious investments in the pool or to close it. So I hope you will take the time to respond to this survey. Your answers will go a long way in helping us to decide the future of the Manheim Community Pool! You can mail in your survey or drop it by the Borough office or the Pool.”

To take the survey and shape the future of the Manheim Community Pool, go to the Manheim Borough website and download the survey. It can be mailed in or dropped off at the [Borough Office](#).

<http://manheimboro.org/services/recreation/community-pool/>

YOU ARE INVITED TO THE CHIQUES CREEK WATERSHED ALLIANCE'S WATERSHED EXPO III AT THE LANCASTER LIEDERKRANZ

Back by popular demand, the Chiques Creek Watershed Alliance will be holding the Family Watershed Expo on Wednesday, June 18th from 6:00-8:00 PM. The Lancaster Liederkrantz is the gracious host again this year, and will proudly present its recently-completed streambank and floodplain restoration project on site. Last year's Expo was a huge success with great turnout, plenty of activities for the family, and a fantastic venue on the banks of the Chiques Creek.

You can expect to find dozens of presenters, live music from Ragtime Willi, and hands-on activities for kids of all ages. FREE ICE CREAM will be provided by Kreider Farms, and other festive food is available for purchase from the folks at the Liederkrantz. Members of the Lititz Run Watershed Alliance and Little Conestoga Watershed Alliance will be at the Expo, so all of Penn Township's watersheds will be represented proudly!

Some of the highlighted presenters and activities include:

- FEATURED: Tour of the Liederkrantz restoration site at 7:00 PM
- "Capture the Creek" youth photo contest winners
- Face painting
- Home composting
- Fish print T-shirts
- Macroinvertebrates lesson
- Chesapeake Bay Foundation
- Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay
- Much, much, more!



THE DETAILS—

WHERE: Lancaster Liederkrantz (722 S. Chiques Road, Manheim, PA 17545)

WHEN: Wednesday, June 18th — 6-8 PM

WHY: To learn more about your local watershed and water quality in a festive atmosphere for the whole family.

HOW MUCH: Admission and Kreider Farms ice cream is free!

A MESSAGE FROM CODE ENFORCEMENT ABOUT POOL SAFETY...

Residential swimming pools are a great source of recreation for the entire family and the recent introduction of low cost swimming pools has expanded the availability of this fun to many more families. However, you should be aware that the Pennsylvania Uniform Construction Code mandates that building permits are required for all pools, including portable pools, of more than 24" in depth.

This January, the Penn Township Board of Supervisors reduced the permit fee for storable pools. Additionally, these permits are good for the life of the pool, you are not required to obtain a permit each spring when you re-erect the pool after storing it for winter.

The building code addresses pool safety in two ways. The first concerns barriers and accessibility. The purpose of these regulations is to ensure that no unauthorized users can enter the pool. The second concern is electrical safety. Regulations have been adopted to reduce the danger of electric shock to the absolute minimum.

Permit applications and additional information are available at the Township Office.

June Educational & Reading Programs

Visit www.manheimlibrary.org for the full schedule of events this summer!

(programs held in the lower level unless otherwise noted)

Steven Courtney in Concert Kick-off Summer Reading with music & lots of fun! Pick up goody bags with Bedtime Math™ constellation charts/stars! (at 6:30 pm). Thurs., June 5, **Concert** at 7:00 pm (*All ages*)

Tuesdays with Teagan and Tucker Read with our certified Reading Therapy Dogs. Begins June 17 - Aug. 19 at 10:00 am (*Elem.*)

Scienctellers: The Mystery of Dr. Doolittle At the local secret Laboratory when science & storytelling get accidently mixed together, everything goes Fizz, Boom, Read! Wed., June 18 at 10:00 am (*Age 4+*)

Short Story Writing Workshops Tues. & Thurs. 4-weeks. Discuss characters, plots, themes, more. Write short story in 1 month! Meet in main Library. Begins June 24 - July 17 at 2:00 pm (*entering 5th-8th Gr.*)

Eureka! Great Moments, Great Scientists Family Stages actors bring to life five of the world's great scientists: Galileo, Isaac Newton, Louis Pasteur, George Washington Carver & Marie Curie with mystery, adventure & humor. Wed., June 25 at 10:00 am (*Age 4+*)

Silly Goose & Val Ventriloquist Val brings comedy & laughter with puppet Silly Goose, through action songs, sing-alongs, audience participation, more! Thurs., June 26 at 10:00 am (*All ages*)

Mad Scientist Month Get your Mad Scientist Kit during July; with camera/cell phone capture your discoveries; post photos to Facebook or bring to library. Mad Scientist participants invited to a party! Thurs., July 31 at 6:30 pm (*Age 4+*)

Jesse the Reptile Guy "Serpent Scientists" Be introduced to 15 live snakes, lizards, turtles & crocs from around the world. Learn about citizen science program too. Wed., July 2 at 10:00 am (*Age 5+*)

Thursday Story Time: "We Live Together" - Meet in main Library. Begins July 3 at 10:00 am (*Age 3+*)

Summer Fun at the Lititz recCenter!

Gymnasium – Main Pool – Splash Pool – Fitness Center

Over 60 group, spin & aquatic fitness classes free with membership!

Penn Township residents receive resident rates.

SilverSneaker and Silver & Fit Accepted

University of Summer Pass for College Students

Join Today!

Lititz recCenter Weekly Summer Camps for ages 3-12
Fun camps offered in sports, art, theme and more for your child's summer!

Lititz recKids Child Care Celebrating 29 Years!
Open Registration for Summer & 2014/15 School Year
Preschool Academy! Kindergarten Enrichment – After
School and Before School Care!

(Kids from all school districts for summer and special
day camp – flexible schedules – membership not
required.)



Shaping Active Lifestyles at the LrC!

ODDS & ENDS

FREE HOME COMPOST WORKSHOPS SCHEDULED

The Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority is partnering with municipalities, community organizations and Penn State Master Gardeners to conduct home compost workshops where residents will learn how to recycle organic waste from their kitchens and gardens instead of putting it in the trash. Composting is an excellent way to recycle vegetable scraps, grass clippings, leaves, and other organic materials and turn them into a useful and valuable product to naturally improve the soil.

Workshop attendees will also learn how to build effective, yet inexpensive home compost bins to meet their needs. Each household in attendance will be eligible to enter a drawing to receive a free kitchen scrap collection bucket courtesy of US EPA, Region III.

Lancaster County residents are invited to attend any one of the home compost workshops scheduled for this year. If required, residents should pre-register by no later than Friday at noon prior to the workshop they'll be attending.

Upcoming Workshops:

- ⇒ **June 18** at the Chiques Creek Watershed Alliance Expo at the Lancaster Liederkrantz pavilion, 772 S. Chiques Rd., Manheim. This is not a workshop, but features a display providing educational materials and the opportunity to discuss home composting issues.
- ⇒ **September 27** at the Rieber House at the entrance to the Frey Farm Landfill, 3049 River Rd., Conestoga. This workshop is from 10 am to 11 am. No fee is required for this workshop, but pre-registration is recommended. For more information, please contact the LCSWMA Public Relations Coordinator at 397-9968 or email info@lcswma.org.
- ⇒ **October 18** at the Warwick Township Municipal Building at 315 Clay Rd., Lititz. This workshop is from 10 am to 11 am. No fee is required for this workshop, but pre-registration is recommended. For more information, please contact the Warwick Township Recycling Coordinator at 626-8900 or email bkreider@warwicktownship.org.

FOLLOW MANHEIM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT'S CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

A new section has been added to the MCSD website to provide an overview of our construction projects and keep you updated on their progress. The information includes timelines and architectural renderings, as well as presentations made by our architect at recent Board Meetings. These pages will be updated with new information as soon as it becomes available. To access this information, follow this link <http://mcsd-dnn.mcbarens.manheimcentral.org/mcsd/> to the district homepage and click on the construction hat on the right side of the homepage beneath the Building Projects! banner. The New District Office and New Elementary School projects are highlighted.

511PA MOBILE APPLICATION PUTS TRAVELER INFORMATION IN DRIVERS' HANDS

The application, available for iPhone and Android devices, provides hands-free and eyes-free travel alerts for the nearly 40,000 miles of road that PennDOT maintains, the Pennsylvania Turnpike and select New Jersey and West Virginia roadways. Users can also check the application before they travel to view traffic speeds, cameras and travel alerts.

Application users can tailor the alerts based on event type, time between alerts, their location (with a radius of up to 500 miles), and for which direction of travel the user wants to hear advisories. When activated, the hands-free and eyes-free application plays audio alerts with traffic incidents or slowdowns within the radius the user selects.

In addition to providing traveler information on the go, the application helps drivers make travel decisions before they leave by linking to the 511PA website, www.511PA.com. The site provides alerts, cameras and more for PennDOT-maintained roadways as well as the Pennsylvania Turnpike.

TRAFFIC PATTERN CHANGE: 3-WAY STOP TO BE INSTALLED AT HOLLY TREE ROAD & BUCKNOLL ROAD

In the upcoming weeks, stop signs will be placed on the Bucknoll Road approaches to Holly Tree Road in order to improve safety at this dangerous intersection. Due to the poor sight distance that motorists experience at the existing stop sign onto Bucknoll Road, this measure is necessary for the public's safety. "Stop Ahead" signs will also be placed on Bucknoll Road to warn motorists of the 3-way stop.



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