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Bureau of Watershed Management

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Dear Nonpoint Source Program Partners:

The Liaison Workgroup will meet at 10 a.m. on October 21, 2004 in Room 105, in the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection's Rachel Carson State Office Building at 400 Market Street, Harrisburg, PA.

The primary topic of discussion will be the draft "Update of Pennsylvania's Nonpoint Source Management Program" (Update). Your input will be vital as this document begins to take form prior to the public input period. The draft "Update" document will be sent to you via email attachment and will also be available through the Pennsylvania Department Environmental Protection (PA DEP) website at www.dep.state.pa.us by choosing 'Public Participation' and then Nonpoint Source Liaison Workgroup. Please bring with you to the meeting:

- Suggested changes to the description of your program in the section on Statewide Programs.
- Addresses of websites that describe your program areas.
- Information (such as historical data or program projections) to help us set reasonable targets for the numbers of stream miles and lake acres restored (Goal 1) and the number of watershed plans developed, implemented, and evaluated (Goal 2).

Please print out a copy of the draft Update to bring with you to the meeting and come prepared with your comments and suggestions.

As we usually do in October, we would also like to collect your input for the Nonpoint Source Annual Report to EPA, covering October 1, 2003, through September 30, 2004. Please bring descriptions of the accomplishments and success stories of the past year. (Does this reflection on recent accomplishments bring up any new ideas for the Management Program Update?)

The workgroups will convene in the morning to work on the various items listed above, and the entire liaison workgroup will meet after lunch to address specific points in the draft Update document. Please bring your calendar for 2005 so that we can select next year's meeting dates.

Please confirm your attendance with Pat Ellison by October 15 so we have an accurate lunch count. You may call Pat at 717-787-5259 or e-mail her at pellison@state.pa.us. Lunch will be provided for guests, but not state employees. I look forward to seeing you on the 21.

Sincerely,

Lynn Langer, Chief
Division of Watershed Protection

Enclosures

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