



Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission

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DEP, Bureau of Waste Management
Division of Municipal and Residual Waste
Chris Solloway
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Subject: Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission comments regarding the draft Residual Waste General Permit, WMGR123.

Dear Mr. Solloway:

The Pennsylvania Fish Boat Commission (Commission) the Department of Environmental Protection's (Department) draft of General Permit WMGR123, Processing and Beneficial Use of Oil and Gas Liquid Waste and offers the following comments:

- 1.) The Commission supports the Departments decision to institute minimum setback distances for facilities located near aquatic resources of the Commonwealth which are outlined in Section C.7. a., b., e. & f. However, we recommend a minimum setback distance of at least 150' for all perennial streams to avoid impacts to riparian buffer zones which may act to attenuate spills of hazardous materials from these facilities.
- 2.) The Commission recommends the Department include a provision in the General Permit requiring the applicant to coordinate with the Commission concerning potential impacts to threated and endangered species. We recommend the Department refer applicants to complete coordination using the Pennsylvania Conservation Explorer

online tool to complete this coordination to avoid, minimize and/or mitigate impacts to these protected species and their habitat.

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at (814) 359-5236. As always, thank you for the opportunity to provide comments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Jordan Allison". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'J' and 'A'.

Jordan R. Allison, Chief
Natural Gas Section

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