

September 24, 2025

TO ALL CONCERNED:

At the September 24, 2025, Commission meeting, the draft minutes of the June 4, 2025, Commission meeting minutes were approved as written. Please attach this notice to your copy of the June 4, 2025 minutes.

SUSQUEHANNA RIVER BASIN COMMISSION 4423 N. FRONT ST. HARRISBURG, PA 17110

MINUTES OF THE SUSQUEHANNA RIVER BASIN COMMISSION

June 4, 2025

#2025-02

The meeting was held at the Susquehanna River Basin Commission Conference Center at 4423 North Front Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania and Commission Chair Suzanne Dorsey called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present

Other Commissioners and Alternate Commissioners Present

Ms. Suzanne Dorsey, Deputy Secretary, Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE)
Ms. Jill Whitcomb, Deputy Secretary, Office of Water Programs, Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) via Zoom
Ms. Amy Guise, Chief, Planning Division, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)
Ms. Lauren A. Townley, Chief, Water Assessment and Implementation Section, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) via Zoom

Mr. Jason Minnich, Program Manager, Interstate Water Resources Management Division (PADEP)

Staff Present

Mr. Andrew Dehoff, Executive Director
Mr. Andrew Gavin, Deputy Executive Director
Ms. Marcia Hutchinson, Outgoing Director,
Administration & Finance
Ms. Andrea Race, Director, Finance &
Administration
Mr. Jason Oyler, General Counsel and Secretary
Mr. John Balay, Manager, Planning & Operations

Mr. Todd Eaby, Manager, Project Review

Technology

Mr. Jeremy Hoffman, Manager, Compliance

Mr. Andrew Zerby, Assistant Counsel

Ms. Stacey Hanrahan, Communications and

Outreach Specialist

Ms. Rachel Fedorko, Hydrologist 1, Planning &

Operations

Ms. RaChelle Coleman, Executive Assistant

Mr. Brydon Lidle, Manager, Information

Others Present

Mr. Duke Adams, PA DEP Mr. Hoss Liaghat, PA DEP Mr. Joseph Chandler, USACE via Zoom

1. Opening Remarks

Commission Chair Suzanne Dorsey formally opened the meeting at 2:30 p.m. by outlining the rules of conduct for the meeting. She noted that a public hearing was previously held on April 24, 2025, and the written comment period was open until May 5, 2025. The Commissioners introduced themselves.

2. Executive Director's Report

Mr. Andrew Dehoff, Executive Director, took the opportunity of his quarterly report to acknowledge the pending retirement of Commission Director of Administration and Finance, Marcia Hutchinson. After highlighting her significant contributions toward the success of the Commission over her 15 year tenure, Mr. Dehoff wished Ms. Hutchinson a happy and fulfilling retirement.

3. Hydrologic Conditions Report

Manager of Planning and Operations John Balay provided an update on hydrologic conditions in the Susquehanna River Basin during the last quarter.

4. Minutes of the March 13, 2025 Commission Meeting

On a motion by Commissioner Whitcomb, seconded by Commissioner Guise the minutes of the regular business meeting of March 13, 2025, were approved as written by a vote of 4-0.

5. Election of Officers

Mr. Dehoff lead the election of new officers for the Commission for the upcoming fiscal year. On a motion by Commissioner Guise, seconded by Commissioner Townley, New York State was elected as Chair of the Commission and Pennsylvania was elected as Vice-Chair, effective July 1, 2025 by a vote of 4-0.

6. FY2026 Budget Reconciliation (Resolution 2025-02)

Director of Administration and Finance Marcia Hutchinson presented Resolution 2025-02 adopting the proposed budget reconciliation for FY2026, which will cover the period July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2026.

A motion was made by Commissioner Whitcomb and seconded by Commissioner Guise to adopt Resolution 2025-02, adopting the proposed budget reconciliation for FY2026 by a vote of 4-0.

7. Contracts & Grants

a) Grant Agreement: Water Quality Protection and Pollution Prevention (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency)

Through this grant, staff work to identify aquatic resources that need protection or restoration and coordinate with member state agencies on similar water resource management efforts aligned with the Clean Water Action Section 106 program. On-the-

ground activities within the Basin include assessments and studies of small stream and large river systems, ongoing eel restoration efforts, dam removal impacts, abandoned mine restoration successes, and harmful algal bloom monitoring tools. Water quality, biological, and habitat data collected as part of these activities are provided to member state agencies and USEPA. Staff also coordinate source water protection efforts with member state agencies, assist member state agencies with data collection, use existing data as a resource to bolster new initiatives, and analyze data for climate change signals. Commission staff also participate in resource-agency-sponsored programs, coalitions, working groups, and public outreach and education events. This grant agreement is for one (1) year with the possibility of a one (1) year extension.

b) Grant Amendment: Monitoring, Assessment, and TMDL Support and Development (Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection)

This grant amendment adds an additional year to the agreement. The scope of work includes tasks generally associated with Monitoring, Assessment and TMDL Support and Development. The grant agreement encompasses four tasks:

- 1. Sediment and Nutrient Assessment Program (SNAP) The Commission will produce an annual SNAP report in the form of a web-enabled story map.
- 2. TMDL and Advanced Restoration Plan Support The Commission will continue to coordinate with DEP and core partners involved with the Chiques Creek Advanced Restoration Plan and the Octoraro Creek Restoration Plan.
- 3. Chesapeake Bay Non-Tidal Network (NTN) Monitoring Program Staff will continue to collect, analyze and report non-tidal tributary monitoring data collected from 27 long-term locations throughout the Susquehanna River basin.
- 4. TMDL Development, Monitoring and Assessment of Lakes; Monitoring and Assessment for Recreation and Potable Water Supply Protected. The Commission will assist DEP by performing TMDL development, monitoring and assessment of lakes, surface water quality monitoring and recreation use assessments of watersheds and potable water

On a motion made by Commissioner Guise, seconded by Commissioner Whitcomb, the Commission accepted the grant agreement and the grant amendment by a vote 4-0.

8. Updated Dry Cooling Resolution (Resolution 2025-03)

General Counsel and Secretary to the Commission Jason Oyler presented an update to the Dry Cooling Resolution adopted in 2015. The updated *Resolution* encourages the use of drycooling or hybrid dry-cooling technologies for other large scale water users, such as data centers and cryptocurrency mining operations.

A motion made by Commissioner Townley, seconded by Commissioner Whitcomb, the Commission agreed to adopt Resolution 2025-03 by a vote of 4-0.

9. Adoption of Donations Policy (Policy No. 2025-01)

General Counsel and Secretary to the Commission Jason Oyler presented an overview of the SRBC Policy, Acceptance of Gifts, Property and Other Funds, Policy No. 2025-01.

A motion made by Commissioner Guise, seconded by Commissioner Whitcomb, the Commission agreed to adopt Policy No. 2025-01 by a vote of 4-0.

10. Annual Water Resources Program (Resolution 2025-04)

Deputy Executive Director Andy Gavin presented the proposed FY2025-2027 Water Resources Program for adoption by the Commission, following the requirements of the Compact.

On a motion by Commissioner Guise and seconded by Commissioner Townley the Commission adopted Resolution 2025-04, which adopted the proposed FY2025-2027 Water Resources Program on a vote of 4-0.

11. Docket Actions

Project Review Manager Todd Eaby presented a staff memorandum containing details and recommendations regarding the following list of project applications:

- 1. BlueTriton Brands, Inc., Centre County, Pa.
- 2. Chester County Solid Waste Authority, Lancaster and Chester Counties, Pa.
- 3. Columbia Water Company, Lancaster County, Pa.
- 4. Expand Operating LLC, Susquehanna County, Pa.
- 5. Expand Operating LLC, Wyoming County, Pa.
- 6. Fredericksburg Sewer and Water Authority, Lebanon County, Pa.
- 7. Knoebels Three Ponds, Inc., Northumberland County, Pa. Tabled
- 8. Mott's LLP, Adams County, Pa. Tabled
- 9. New Holland Borough Authority, Lancaster County, Pa.
- 10. Penn-View, Inc., Chester County, Pa.
- 11. Pixelle Specialty Solutions LLC, York County, Pa.
- 12. Rausch Creek Generation LLC, Schuylkill County, Pa.
- 13. Stewartstown Borough Authority, York County, Pa.
- 14. Upper Halfmoon Water Company, Centre County, Pa.
- 15. Veolia Water Pennsylvania, Inc., York County, Pa.
- 16. Village of Bath, Steuben County, NY
- 17. York Building Products Co., Inc., Cumberland County, Pa.
- 18. Republic Services of Pennsylvania LLC, York County, Pa.

Commissioner Guise moved and Commissioner Townley seconded a motion that the Commission adopt the staff recommendations for the 18 project applications, including two tabled projects. A vote of 4-0 approved the motion.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Townley moved, and Commissioner Whitcomb seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting, which passed with a vote of 4-0. Commission Chair Dorsey adjourned the meeting at 3:07 p.m.

September 24, 2025

Date Adopted

Jason E. Oyler

Secretary to the Commission