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# Brownfields to Housing



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#### **DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE**

2014 was an exciting year for the Lycoming County Planning Commission (LCPC) and the Department of Planning and Community Development (PCD). 2014 was also a time of significant change. Longtime Deputy Director William (Bill) Kelly retired in December. Bill's retirement began a chain reaction that resulted in many staff transitions within PCD. Lead Planner Kim Wheeler was promoted to Deputy Director for the Planning Division, Megan Lehman was promoted to Lead Planner, Jenny Picciano was promoted to Community and Economic Development Planner, and Joshua Billings was promoted to Environmental Planner. Tom Krajewski was hired to fill Joshua's role as Subdivision and Land Development Administrator. PCD will be at a full staff complement to begin 2015, even though many are in new positions. It will take some time for everyone to grow into their new roles, and



training will be an absolute necessity in 2015 for the staff taking on new positions within the department.

In December, PCD staff and many others said goodbye to Bill Kelly. After nearly 15 years with the department, Bill decided that it was time to move on to other challenges. I say "move on" because from what Bill has told us, he will still be very active in several roles within the community. If you see Bill, please congratulate him on his retirement.

Memorial Homes, a major brownfields redevelopment project, was completed in 2014. Occupancy of the 40 affordable housing units opened in December and will continue into early 2015. This was one of three components of the Williamsport Housing Strategy. A second component of the housing strategy broke ground in November, Grove Street Commons. Grove Street Commons is a 32-unit senior housing project. The third component of the housing strategy, the Brodart Neighborhood Improvement Project (BNIP), also made great progress. Deputy Director Kim Wheeler is doing a superb job of guiding these projects.

This year the County Commissioners instituted a Mini Grant Program using Act 13 Legacy Funds, which were distributed by the state to counties for recreation projects. Over 20 recreation grants were made to communities and community organizations to construct or improve recreation facilities across Lycoming County. Mini Grants up to \$20,000 were awarded. This was a great County initiative that originated in PCD. Over \$240,000 was distributed in total.

PCD has not forgotten about the Biggert-Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2012, often referred to as BW-12. BW-12 continues to need reform or repeal. While repeal may be preferred, other options must be explored for our residents living in harm's way from flooding. Deputy Director Fran McJunkin and Hazard Reduction Planner Sal Vitko continue to work diligently on this effort. Dealing with BW-12 will be a major initiative of PCD in 2015, as it was in 2014. McJunkin and Vitko continue to work with the US Army Corps of Engineers, FEMA, PEMA, and local banks to devise a program to attack this issue.

PCD is an ever-more-challenging and exciting place to work. Every year there are new projects to be completed and new challenges to be faced. PCD tackles the new projects and challenges with enthusiasm and teamwork. We all recognize that greater things are accomplished in PCD through teamwork than we can accomplish individually. Recently, a county commissioner commented to the leadership of PCD that he loved our enthusiasm. He said he could not believe that people working in our field for over 25 years (as many of us have) are still excited about what we do. Planning is exciting and infectious. Anyone who works here and is not excited by what we do for the community does not have a pulse.

### 2014 PCD Staff List

Kurt Hausammann, Jr., AICP, Director Frances McJunkin, CFM, Deputy Director of GIS & Assessment

**William Kelly,** Deputy Director of Planning (retired 12/2014)

**Kim Wheeler, AICP,** Deputy Director of Planning (beginning 10/2014)

John Lavelle III, CFM, Development Services Supervisor

**Deborah Bennett,** Administrative Support Supervisor

Amy Fry, GIS Supervisor/GIS Technician Mark Murawski, Transportation Planner Lynn Cunningham, Assistant Transportation Planner

Megan Lehman, AICP, Development Planner Sal Vitko, CFM, Hazard Reduction Planner Jenny Picciano, Environmental Planner Lauren Robinson, MS4 Planner (beginning 9/2014)

**Joshua Billings,** Subdivision and Land Development Administrator

**David Hines,** Zoning Administrator **Erin Barton,** Zoning/Subdivision Officer (beginning 9/2014)

Rodney Heindel, Zoning Officer Richard Murphy, Land Records Cartographer

Stacy Lewis, Assistant Land Records Cartographer

**Stephanie Toner,** Land Records Database Coordinator

**Scott Williams,** GIS/Data Systems Analyst **Edward Feigles,** GIS Graphics/Fieldwork Coordinator

Jane Magyar, Clerk IV—Planning
Jessica Burget, Clerk II—Planning
Cassie Tompkins, Chief Assessor
Brooke Wright, Deputy Chief Assessor
Mark Anderson, Lead Assessor
Jeffrey Ruggiers, Field Assessor
Cheryl Ergott, Field Assessor
Lisa Campbell, Clerk III—Assessment
Ruth McKeon, Clerk II—Assessment

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PCD has an excellent staff committed to continual improvement while delivering professional planning services, high quality projects, and new initiatives to the County and its communities. Things are not slowing down. The pace is getting faster and faster. At times, it seems that everything needs to be done yesterday. We have a very fast-paced department.

I am very pleased and honored to be the director of such a great department. I have had the opportunity to lead some of the most dedicated and talented planners anywhere in 2014. As 2014 comes to a close, I am excited and very much looking forward to the new challenges that 2015 will bring. Finally, I would like to say thank you to Bill Kelly. Bill, you served me well as my deputy and I will miss you.

Sincerely,

Kurt Hausammann, Jr., AICP

Director

#### **CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE**



As 2014 came to a close so did my term as chairperson. I was honored to have had the opportunity to serve in such an important role during such an exciting time in Lycoming County; it certainly was a learning experience. I want to thank the County Commissioners for appointing me to my second and final four-year term as a member.

I'd like to use a portion of this message to encourage the public to get involved and offer up some time to serve your communities on their planning commissions and other boards. Nobody ever has enough time to get involved in their community planning until something affects them that they don't like, and then it is often too late.

In 2015, we will begin updating the County Comprehensive Plan. This plan is designed to help guide the future growth of our communities and county. The Planning Commission will be holding public meetings throughout the year to get your guidance on how you want to see the county grow, so make sure you get out and have your voice heard.

Once again this year we had additional municipalities come in under the county planning & zoning partnership. It is difficult and often not cost-effective for the smaller municipalities to employ the professional staff that the county has at their disposal. This is a valuable resource that is available to municipalities. With the recent influx of gas drilling in our county, some communities were caught off guard by not having planning and zoning to deal with this. Please keep this in mind when planning for the future.

The Planning Department and Commission said goodbye to one of the most enthusiastic people I have ever had the opportunity to be around, Bill Kelly. Bill always had a positive attitude and I think he was the happiest when he had a 3-inch-thick grant application to complete. Bill's retirement from the county does not mean he is quitting work, it means there will be a lot of non-profits that are going benefit from Bill's talents.

I would also like to thank the three planning commission members that ended their time on the board this year: Joe Neyhart, Cindy Bower and William Parsons. We thank you for your time served and wish you the best.





#### **LCPC Recognitions**

Joseph Neyhart, Cindy Bower, and William Parsons concluded their service to the Lycoming County Planning Commission in December 2014. They served a combined 18 years on the Planning Commission. The staff of the Planning Department thank you, Joe, Cindy, and Bill, for your time, dedication and expertise in serving the public of Lycoming County.



# A Word about the PCD Staff Retirement

#### **Bill Kelly**

Bill retired from his position as Deputy Director of Planning on December 19, 2014 following fourteen years of dedicated service to the department. Previously, Bill retired as a Lt. Colonel in the U.S. Air Force.

Director Kurt Hausammann offered the following remarks on the occasion of Bill's retirement at a reception in his honor: "Bill is the most dedicated person I have ever met. Bill has always been about the mission. Bill was with me as my Deputy from the beginning of my tenure as Director. I could not have accomplished near as much as I did without Bill. Bill and I



were truly partners in leading PCD for the last seven years. Bill, I wish you well and I will miss you."

Erik Houser, Legislative Assistant for Pennsylvania Senator Gene Yaw, presented a commendation from the Pennsylvania Senate to Bill during a retirement open house for County employees. It read in part: "Whereas, William Robert Kelly is being honored upon his retirement as Deputy Director following four-teen years of dedicated service to the Lycoming County Planning and Community Development Department;...now therefore, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania recognizes [him] for his many years of loyalty and service; proudly notes that he has demonstrated extraordinary commitment to the Department; [and] offers best wishes for a most rewarding future."

Bill has accepted a part-time job with STEP, Inc., and will continue to volunteer as a board member with the West End Christian Community Center. He plans to enjoy many trips to Florida, where he and wife Mary Lee enjoy a second home near the beach, and to spend time with sons Will and Colin.

Photos (clockwise from top right): Bill Kelly is recognized by the Lycoming County Commissioners at a public meeting; Bill's final day open house for County co-workers; Bill passes the torch to Kim Wheeler; Bill is flanked by current and former PCD staff members at a private reception.







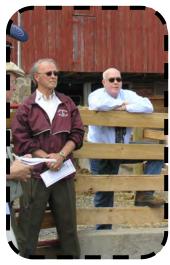
### A Word about the PCD Staff

### A Bill Kelly Scrapbook

















### A Word about the PCD Staff

### Introducing New Hires

#### Lauren Robinson —

Lauren Robinson joined the Lycoming County Planning Staff in March 2014 as the Zoning/Subdivision Officer. In September, she was promoted to the new position of MS4 Planner for the County's MS4 Coalition. Lauren graduated from Bloomsburg University with degrees in Environmental Planning and Art Studio. She currently lives in Bloomsburg and was just appointed to her town's Shade Tree Commission. In her free time, she enjoys hikes with her dogs, kayaking, yoga, fitness classes, creating art, and reading.





#### Jenny Picciano —

Jenny Picciano joined the Lycoming County Planning Department as the Environmental Planner in February 2014. A Cleveland, Ohio native, Jenny worked at a non-profit conservation organization in northeast Ohio before relocating to Williamsport. She holds a B.A. in Environmental Studies from Allegheny College in Meadville, PA and a Master of Urban Planning, Design, and Development from Cleveland State University in Cleveland, Ohio.

#### Erin Barton —

Erin Barton began working at Lycoming County Planning Department as the Zoning/ Subdivision Officer in September 2014. Erin previously worked at the Lycoming County Pre-Release Center. Erin earned an Associate's Degree in Criminal Justice from South Hills School of Business & Technology and finished her Bachelor's Degree at Central Penn University. She was born and raised in Clinton County. Erin enjoys shooting pool in a league, hunting, and fishing. She is also a team leader for Phi Beta Lambda where she was the president of her chapter for four years.





#### Tom Krajewski —

Tom Krajewski joined the Lycoming County Planning Department in January 2015 as the Subdivision & Land Development Administrator. Prior to that, he worked in Data Entry with Geisinger Health Systems since November 2005. Tom graduated from Bloomsburg University in 2013 with a Bachelor's Degree in Urban and Regional Planning. He also completed an internship with the Susquehanna Greenway Partnership. He was born and raised in the Borough of Danville but is looking to move to the Williamsport area soon. He enjoys reading fiction and non-fiction books, especially in the subjects of history and sci-fi/fantasy; watching movies; and playing board games.

## A Word about the PCD Staff Recognitions



#### Left:

Salvatore Vitko (center left) and David Hines (center right) were recognized by the Lycoming County Commissioners for achieving Certified Floodplain Manager Status. The CFM program recognizes continuing education and professional development that enhances the knowledge and performance of local, state, federal, and private-sector floodplain management professionals. Also pictured is John Lavelle (second from right), also a CFM.



#### Right:

Scott Williams (second from right) and Christopher Dalla-Piazza (third from right, Information Services) were recognized by the Lycoming County Commissioners with a "Job Well Done" Award for their outstanding work involved with launching the web application LycoMap, and for providing seamless integration of LycoMap and LycoOnline.



### Major Accomplishments

### PCD's 'Top 10' in 2014

- Completion of Memorial Homes brownfield redevelopment affordable housing project
- ♦ Awarded \$2.1 million more of PHFA funds for County-wide affordable housing projects and programs
- Proactively responded to heightened stormwater regulatory requirements and created MS4 Planner position, fully funded by ten MS4 entities in Lycoming County
- ♦ Substantial completion of five-year update to Lycoming County Hazard Mitigation Plan
- Awarded Act 13 mini-grants to 21 park and recreation projects across the County, expending all funds
- Completion of two bridge projects: New SEDA-COG Joint Rail Authority bridge over the Loyalsock
   Creek (previous bridge was destroyed by Tropical Storm Lee), and emergency repairs to County-owned bridge in village of Marsh Hill
- Produced five films to showcase major County projects on Lycoming County Area Television (LCAT)
- Reached the milestone of \$250,000 in cumulative nutrient credit sales since 2010
- Addition of the Original Little League Field to the National Register of Historic Places
- Addition of Limestone and Bastress Townships to the Lycoming County Zoning Partnership

For more information on each of these accomplishments, please see the related section within this Annual Report.



### Original Little League Field Recognized



Above left: Carl Stotz with young players from the Lycoming Dairy team, one of three teams in the original Little League organization.

On December 3, 2014, the Original Little League Field, located in Williamsport near Memorial Park, was added to the US Department of the Interior's Registry of National Historic Sites. This designation brought to a close more than 16 months of research, preparation of nominations and applications, briefings, and more unrelenting work by Deputy Director Bill Kelly.

The County's singular goal was to bring national recognition to the place where little league baseball was born. The County's team included the City of Williamsport, Karen Stotz Myers (daughter of Carl Stotz, the founder of little league baseball) and her family, Little League International, and Original League, with research assistance from the Lycoming County Historical Society, among others. From the vision of Carl Stotz in the late 1930s to the young ballplayers of today and tomorrow, we can now say that this "field of dreams" is indeed a national treasure.



**Right:** Today, players continue to participate in the Original Little League local organization at the Carl E. Stotz Field, on the site of the first Little League World Series.

Center left: In this undated photo, an early Little League World Series, held at the Original Little League Field, included teams from North Carolina, New Jersey, California, Arkansas, Indiana, and Canada.



### **Lycoming County Area Television (LCAT)**

Lycoming County produced five films to showcase key initiatives being undertaken by the County during 2014. Each film is regularly broadcast live on Comcast TV channel 75 (LCAT). The LCAT live feed can be viewed at www.LCAT75.com. The videos are also available on YouTube for worldwide viewing and can be found by searching for "Lycoming County Area TV" or "Lycoming County Government."

Each film narrates a major initiative using still photos, live video footage, interviews, and an active storyline. The films are an essential part of the County's outreach, community engagement, and public education efforts. Together with a multisegment video on transportation produced in late 2013, the videos have been shown at state and national venues, such as brownfield conferences.

Right/Below: Title slides of completed LCAT videos.











### Taking Act 13 to a New Level

During 2014, Lycoming County shifted its Act 13 grant program into high gear. As designed, the program is inclusive of the entire county, addresses multi-faceted infrastructure needs, and selects merit-based candidate projects for funding assistance.

The first two Act 13 checks Lycoming County received from the PUC totaled \$8,400,000. The County committed over \$4.8 million of these Act 13 revenue to help fund 36 community-based projects, which benefited some 18 different organizations and 16 municipalities. Lycoming County was successfully able to meet approximately 82 percent of the total amount of funding requested by external organizations. These 36 projects have an estimated total cost of approximately \$89,400,000. The impact of this statistic is significant: every Act 13 dollar that Lycoming County committed to these projects provided leverage of nearly \$18.84 million.

Another positive dimension of the County's program is the secondary benefits achieved. The \$210,000 of County Act 13 dollars provided to the Williamsport Municipal Water Authority has enabled the authority to complete a \$530,390 water line relocation project. This water infrastructure project directly benefits Susquehanna Health's construction of its new Health Innovation Center and the local River Valley YMCA's construction of its new, state-of-the-art facility on a neighboring property. Together, these two new facilities represent a \$40,000,000 investment—that's over and above the \$89,400,000 previously described.

WMWA's project relocates a water line (top two photos) to serve Susquehanna Health's new Health Innovation Center (third) and the new River Valley Regional YMCA complex (bottom).









### Act 13 and the Williamsport Housing Strategy

County Act 13 funds were able to stimulate additional investments to help achieve that outstanding leveraging ratio previously cited. Another excellent example of the power of leveraging can be found in the Williamsport Housing Strategy—a direct product of the Marcellus Shale Housing Impact study undertaken by the County. The County allocated \$610,000 of its Act 13 funds to this three-component, 27.4 million-dollar suite of housing projects—a comprehensive partnership involving federal, state, city, and county government agencies, local organizations, and private investors.







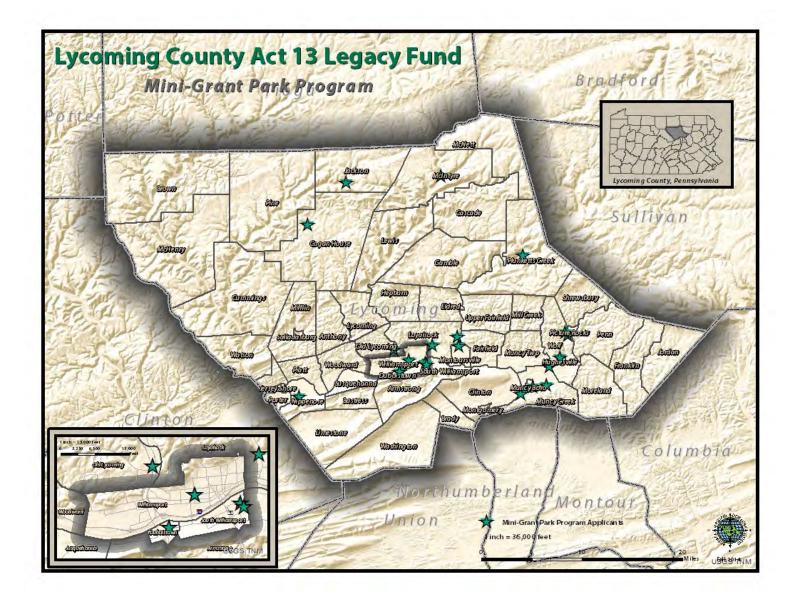
The Memorial Homes project involved an environmental assessment of the former Brodart warehouse and manufacturing facility in 2008 (top left), demolition and remediation in 2012-2013 (top right), construction of new 40-unit housing complex in 2014 (above left and right).



### Act 13 Mini-Grant Park Program

In June 2014, Lycoming County rolled out a Marcellus Shale Act 13 mini-grant park program. The County receives from the PUC a restricted funding stream, called "Legacy Funds," which were authorized under Act 13 for recreational, open space, and related activities. To wisely utilize these dedicated funds, the county received and evaluated 24 local requests. Of those, 21 were approved for funding. \$265,000 of County Legacy funds were allocated to these municipal and community organizations, leveraging over \$725,000 in park projects.

Below: Green stars represent locations of Act 13 Mini-Grant awards across Lycoming County.



### Community Development

### **Brownfields Redevelopment**

In 2014, the Lycoming County Brownfield Coalition updated its Brownfield Inventory, last completed in 2008. The Coalition consists of Lycoming County, the City of Williamsport, the Borough of Muncy, and a Steering Council of twenty-five area stakeholders. Under the auspices of a \$500,000 EPA Brownfields grant, nine Phase 1 site-specific environmental assessments were conducted on properties to identify any areas of environmental concern. The results will continue Lycoming County's Brownfield redevelopment progress and promote the reuse of abandoned and underutilized sites throughout the county.



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#### Brownfield redevelopment benefits:

- Improved environmental quality
- Improved public health and safety
- Preserving green space through reuse of existing sites
- Leveraging existing infrastructure
- Fewer blighted buildings and sites
- New jobs created; new tax revenues from expanded tax base
- ♦ Improved neighborhood visual impact

#### Project website & video:

http://www.lyco.org/Departments/PlanningandCommunityDevelopment/BrownfieldsRevitalization.aspx

### Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program

CDBG funds are a federal allocation provided through the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The County's CDBG allocation is passed down from HUD to the PA Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) to the County. The money must be spent to improve the quality of life for low-income persons in those municipalities of the County that do not directly receive their own CDBG funds. CDBG funds can be used for infrastructure, housing rehabilitation projects, community public services, and the removal of architectural barriers for handicapped access to public facilities.

In 2014, the County's CDBG allocation was \$256,082, a slight increase from 2013. Due to the complexity of the federal and state regulations involved in the CDBG program, the County's CDBG program is managed by PCD staff with significant assistance from SEDA-COG and in cooperation with the County's Fiscal Services Department.

#### New CDBG Projects Funded by Lycoming County in 2014

- Muncy Sewer Laterals (West Branch Regional Authority, recipient)
- Homes in Need Program (STEP, Inc., recipient)
- Building Renovations (American Rescue Workers, recipient)

### Community Development

### **Housing Initiatives**

According to the Urban Institute, "Decent and affordable housing has far-reaching consequences for people's health, quality of life, and access to opportunities, but these consequences are not always well understood."

PCD has realized the increasing demand for housing assistance countywide. Needs span from housing rehabilitation, new construction, rental assistance, forensic re-entry, code compliance, energy efficiency, homeless sheltering, and challenges finding appropriate and affordable housing. PCD staff has jumped in to help address what can easily mimic a housing crisis if one were to look at the significant impact inadequate housing options have on society. We have made several strides in the last year to assist with the recognized housing needs in the county.



Above: DCED Deputy Secretary Champ Holman (far left), Mayor Campana, and Commissioner Wheeland during a tour of the Brodart Neighborhood.



#### **Housing Symposium**

In September 2014, the Genetti Hotel in downtown Williamsport hosted a Housing Symposium titled: "Partnership Solutions to Meet the Affordable Housing Needs in Central PA." PCD staff Kim Wheeler and Bill Kelly took a leadership role in organizing the event, lining up speakers, and preparing presentations for the event. The Housing Coalition of Lycoming County arranged the event, with sponsors and partners from area banks, PA Housing Finance Agency, the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh, Lycoming College, PA College of Technology, and dozens of area non-profit organizations. The Symposi-

um received an attendance of over 120 people from around the county and beyond, including landlords, developers, bankers, and elected officials. It provided a forum for the local housing needs and challenges to be recognized and solutions to be discussed.

#### **BNIP Update**

On April 9, 2014, the Brodart neighborhood was one stop along PA DCED's "Jobs First On-the-Road-Tour." DCED staff from Harrisburg came to the BNIP neighborhood to make an announcement of the \$500K grant award of Keystone Communities funds for infrastructure improvements in the neighborhood. This was matched by \$500K of local County and City funds, for a total investment of \$1 million.





### Community Development

### Heritage Plan Update





In 2014, the County kicked off its update to the Lycoming County historic preservation plan and inventory, last completed in 1974. This project will identify and assess the historic sites and structures within the county that have architectural, cultural, and local significance.

As part of this process, the County has convened a local working group to provide guidance on the update and assist in identifying historic resources within the county. PCD staff will also be conducting a public survey and hosting public meetings to help identify important sites in the county.

#### Housing Initiatives (continued from previous page)

By the end of 2014, the Brodart Neighborhood Improvement Program (BNIP) had completed seven neighborhood outreach meetings, twenty-one homeowner-occupied housing rehabilitations totaling almost \$300K, and almost \$500K of streetscape improvements. This is in addition to the \$10 million affordable housing development at the neighborhood's center known as Memorial Homes – Phase I. The City pool at nearby Memorial Park is being upgraded with new water features by Summer 2015. Hundreds of thousands of dollars more in infrastructure improvements and housing rehabilitation, including some for rental properties, are planned to make this a truly holistic neighborhood revitalization effort.

#### **PHARE Program**

2014 was the third consecutive year that Lycoming County was successful in acquiring affordable housing funds through PHFA's competitive PHARE Program. The largest request and award yet was made this year for \$2.1 million, totaling \$4.5 million in PHARE funds over 3 years. This year's funds will be split between five programs: Grove Street Commons Senior Housing development, BNIP, Lycoming County Supportive Housing Program (offering rental assistance funds for those in need), Lycoming County Flood Mitigation Program (offering funds to residential properties in the floodplain for mitigation purposes), and the county-wide Homes-in-Need Program (offering continued housing rehab funds for income-qualified households).

### Environmental Planning

### **Baseline Groundwater Quality Monitoring Program**



In 2014, Lycoming County and its partners conducted a county-wide groundwater sampling program to help understand the quality of groundwater in privately owned wells within the county. This study will provide information on the current conditions of our groundwater and is an opportunity to understand what is native to our source water in order to assess the impact of agricultural, mining and other land-use practices on our groundwater.

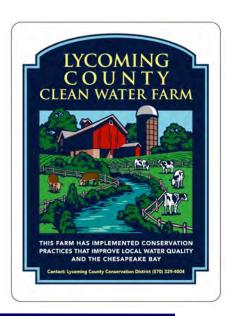
As part of this project, 75 randomly-selected wells were sampled throughout the county in the summer of 2014. The site selection process included voluntary participation by residents. The study analyzed a comprehensive list of water quality parameters for each well, including substances such as minerals, gasses, and bacteria. The final report will be available in the fall of 2015.

The County was awarded a \$250,000 grant from the PA Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) through the Act 13 Marcellus Shale Legacy Fund to implement this project. The County's project partners include the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection, Geisinger Health System, the North Central Source Water Protection Alliance, Susquehanna Health, and West Branch Regional Authority.

Project website & video: <a href="http://www.lyco.org/Departments/PlanningandCommunityDevelopment/GroundwaterQualityMonitoringProgram.aspx">http://www.lyco.org/Departments/PlanningandCommunityDevelopment/GroundwaterQualityMonitoringProgram.aspx</a>

### **Nutrient Trading Program**

Lycoming County's Nutrient Trading Program, part of the Chesapeake Bay Tributary Strategy, reached a significant milestone in 2014. Total sales of nutrient credits since trading began in 2010 reached a quarter-million dollars. To date, nearly thirty farms have participated in the program by implementing conservation practices on their farms, and then working with the County to sell the resulting nutrient credits. (Each credit sold represents one pound of nitrogen or phosphorus pollution prevented from entering the Chesapeake Bay). To participate in the program, farms must first surpass a legal "baseline" established by the PA DEP. Farms that are certified to generate nutrient credits are true leaders in conservation. Despite some challenging market conditions, the County was able to sell approximately 75% of its certified credits in 2014.



### Environmental Planning

### **Lycoming County MS4 Coalition**

Nine Lycoming County municipalities and the Pennsylvania College of Technology faced heightened regulatory requirements in 2014 when they received new permits under the state and federal Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) program. After years of cooperative efforts led by PCD staff, the MS4 Coalition chose in Summer 2014 to formalize their partnership to tackle these challenges by signing a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA). The MOA created a new position in PCD, called MS4 Planner. This position is fully funded by the ten MS4s, which continue to actively participate and oversee the program through the MS4 Coalition, meeting monthly. The MS4 Planner's role is to ensure full regulatory compliance in the most cost-effective manner possible, and alleviate the workload required of municipal staff and officials.





### **Municipal Stormwater Summit**

In October 2014, the PCD staff coordinated with the MS4 Coalition to host a Stormwater Summit at Pennsylvania College of Technology. Five expert speakers from Pennsylvania and Ohio addressed stormwater issues and their solutions.

**Left:** Vincent Cotrone from the Penn State Extension program spoke about the stormwater benefits from green infrastructure and street trees.

**Below Right:** Lauren Robinson, MS4 Planner, provides an educational display at a meeting of townships.

#### MS4 Planner Goals for 2015

- 1. Educate the public about the MS4 Program, urban stormwater pollution, and best management practices (BMPs).
- 2. Complete the required Chesapeake Bay Pollutant Reduction Plan and begin implementation.
- 3. Help the MS4 Coalition maintain compliance with state and federal regulations in the most cost-effective manner possible, utilizing cooperative efforts where possible.
- 4. Find funding opportunities to help offset the costs associated with the MS4 program.



### Hazard Mitigation Planning



### **Hazard Mitigation Grant**

The Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) is a program from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). The HMGP provides grants to states and local governments to implement long-term hazard mitigation measures after major disaster declarations. HMGP funds enable communities to reduce the loss of life and property, and to lessen the impacts of future disaster events in their communities.

To date, the County of Lycoming has successfully completed 6 HMGP projects totaling \$3,737,177 in funding from PEMA and FEMA. Currently, the Lycoming County Planning & Community Development Department is managing a seventh HMGP grant totaling \$2,031,426, acquiring 13 properties in Hepburn, Lewis, Lycoming, and Old Lycoming townships.

Overall, the County of Lycoming has managed seven HMGP grants totaling approximately \$6 million dollars with a 0% cost share to Lycoming County residents. Once the properties are purchased, all structures are demolished. Ownership is deeded to the respective municipality and the lands remain as open space. All future uses of the land must fully comply with the FEMA-required deed restrictions.

#### Right:

These pictures represent the level of damage sustained by each property selected for a buyout.







### **Hazard Mitigation Plan Update & Enhancement**

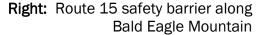
Hazard Mitigation Plans are used to identify actions and policies that can be implemented, long-term, to reduce the risk and future losses of life, and property by lessening the impacts of disaster events. The Lycoming County Hazard Mitigation Plan is updated every 5 years in accordance with state law. The last update was completed in 2010.

PCD staff set to work on reviewing and updating the Lycoming County Hazard Mitigation Plan during 2014 to be completed in 2015. Funding for the plan update was acquired through a \$75,116 PEMA grant. The department and its consultant held numerous outreach meetings for County and municipal officials, residents, and other stakeholders to review and comment on the plan. The plan was approved by PEMA in early December 2014, and we are expecting FEMA approval during Spring 2015.

The Lycoming County Planning & Community Development Department applied for, and was awarded, a second PEMA grant in the amount of \$75,000 to be utilized to further update the Lycoming County Hazard Mitigation Plan, with additional information from the County's five-year RiskMAP project. This enhancement also incorporates County assessment data to better determine areas of risk throughout the County, and the best responses to those risks.

### **Highways**

PennDOT has completed construction of the US 15 (Montgomery Pike) safety barrier over the Bald Eagle Mountain, with the second phase being completed in 2014. This corridor has experienced a high number of fatal crashes and the new barrier should help prevent many serious accidents in the future. Jug handles were also constructed as part of the project to provide local access to development sites along the corridor.





A study is being undertaken by Lycoming County using McMahon Associates to examine corridor access management in the Muncy Growth Area. The primary focus is along the US 220, PA 405, and John Brady Drive corridors, in light of significant land development potential, especially due to Marcellus Shale activity. In 2014, existing and forecasted land use mapping was completed, along with updated traffic data. The study recommendations will be finalized in 2015. A major highway project underway in this study area involves the improvement of the US 220/PA 405 intersection in the Hughesville area. PennDOT has completed the feasibility study and has selected a recommended alternative to realign, add turn lanes, and signalize this intersection to improve safety and reduce congestion, especially attributable to Marcellus Shale truck traffic. Preliminary design will begin in 2015 with construction in 2018.

Finally, in 2014, PennDOT completed a corridor access management plan along US 220 between Jersey Shore and Williamsport using consultant Gannett Fleming. The overall purpose of this study was to identify and evaluate access changes to improve safety along the US 220 corridor. The access management



approach is to eliminate crossing maneuvers and left turns from the side roads and replace with jug handles and U-turns located strategically throughout the corridor, thereby reducing the number of conflict points and increasing safety. The estimated cost of access management improvements is approximately \$ 20 million, and project phasing will be done if limited funding warrants. Preliminary design work will begin in 2015 with construction likely in 2018.

**Left:** Multiple turning movement conflicts along the US 220 corridor

### **Bridges**

There are currently 100 structurally deficient state and locally owned bridges throughout Lycoming County. Most of these bridges are located on rural secondary roads, as significant past investment has targeted the larger bridges with higher traffic volumes. All major river bridges are now completed.

Thanks to the passage of PA Act 89, we are able to undertake 46 new highway and bridge projects in Lycoming County as part of the Transportation Im-



provement Program (TIP). However, most of these bridge projects are PennDOT owned bridges. There are 58 structurally deficient, locally owned bridges that are currently not receiving TIP dollars. The challenge will be to utilize creative financing techniques to address these bridges before their remaining life cycles expire, which would result in reduced weight limit restrictions or bridge closure.

Lycoming County continues to undertake a comprehensive local bridge inspection program that provides critical data on all local bridges eight feet or greater in length. In 2014, Lycoming County undertook major emergency repairs to the County-owned bridge along T-665 over Lycoming Creek in the Village of Marsh Hill (above right: Marsh Hill Bridge). This bridge is now federally funded and scheduled for full replacement in 2017. Design studies will be underway in 2015.

#### **Transit**

River Valley Transit (RVT) continues to make progress toward the development of Trade and Transit Centre II with completion of the design phase (below right: aerial rendition). This new facility will house four additional bus bays, a driver's lounge, a second transit passenger waiting area, a security office, and improved traffic lanes for streamlining transit operations at RVT's central downtown hub.

The Uptown Music Collective will be moving into the new center, and community room meeting space will be integrated into the project. A plaza pavilion will serve as an outdoor performance area with public art installations. Project construction is anticipated to begin in April 2015 with the new facility being substantially complete by the end of 2015.



### **Airport**



The Williamsport Municipal Airport Authority continues to make progress on the replacement of the aging airport terminal building. In 2014, the Airport Authority secured multiple new federal and state funding sources for the \$ 15.2 million project and undertook required environmental clearance studies. Pending sufficient funding availability and timely final environmental clearances, it is anticipated the new terminal should be under construction by Spring 2016, with a grand opening scheduled for Spring 2017. This project will eliminate the many structural problems associated with the current

building and provide more space to accommodate additional air service to meet the airport's growing commercial air passenger demands, especially regarding Marcellus Shale activity.

**Above Left:** Conceptual rendering of new airport terminal, prepared by Rettew Associates & Delta Airport Consultants

#### Rail

The SEDA-COG Joint Rail Authority completed construction of the Loyalsock Creek Railroad Bridge replacement project in August 2014. The former railroad bridge was destroyed in Tropical Storm Lee in 2011. The new bridge has more solid foundations and a greatly improved waterway opening to help alleviate flooding impacts in Montoursville Borough. Lycoming Valley Railroad operates over this bridge, providing vital rail service to dozens of area industries that are supporting family-sustaining jobs.

Right: The first train uses the new Loyalsock Creek Railroad Bridge





### **Bicycle and Pedestrian Enhancements**

#### Ridge Trail

In 2014, the Lycoming and Clinton County Commissioners partnered to undertake a joint feasibility study to evaluate the possibility of developing a 41-mile-long Ridge Trail along the Bald Eagle Mountain Corridor between Muncy and Lock Haven. BSA LandPlan consultants were retained to undertake the study, which is nearly complete. Given the scope, complexity and cost of this project, it will be necessary to develop the Ridge Trail System in several phases. Once the study is complete, both counties will work together to explore funding for a Ridge Trail Demonstration Project.

Below: BSA Land Plan Artist Rendering of Bald Eagle Mountain Ridge Trail Concept



#### Williamsport Bicycle Committee

The Williamsport Bicycle Committee was created by Mayor Campana in 2014 in an effort to improve bicy-

cle facilities in the City of Williamsport that link major population centers with key downtown attractions, including the Susquehanna River Walk. Two members of the PCD staff, Mark Murawski and Scott Williams, serve on the committee. The committee's work thus far includes mapping existing and proposed bicycle routes, identifying major attractions, and evaluating safety improvements needed to make the City more safe and bike-friendly.

**Right:** Visitors of all ages and abilities, from families on leisurely outings to competitive mountain bike racers, enjoy the non-motorized recreational amenities of Lycoming County.

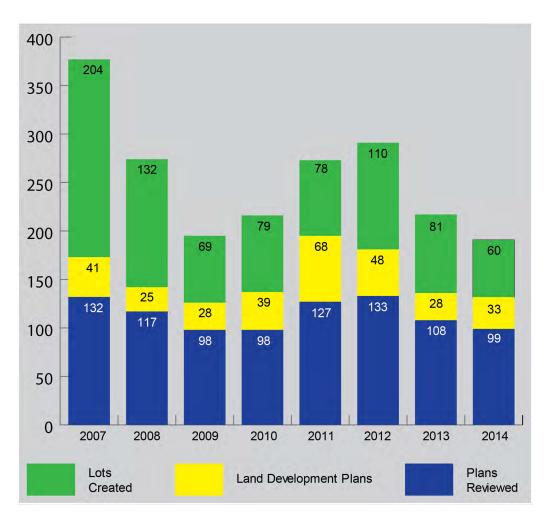


### Land Development

### **Development Advisory Assistance**

In addition to the 25 municipalities covered by the County Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance (SLDO), the Planning Department staff also provides advisory review letters for subdivision and land development plans located within the 27 municipalities that retain their own SLDO approval authority. These advisory letters provide the municipalities with a description of the project, and on occasion a list of potential revisions that could be made to the submitted plans prior to being granted final plan approval. These letters are commonly referred to as "Act 247" letters because that is the act which established the PA Municipalities Planning Code (MPC) and affords the County Planning Agency an opportunity to provide constructive review comments.

During 2014, the County provided "advisory" comments on 99 subdivision and land development plans. This figure reflects a decrease from the 108 plans reviewed in 2013. A key subset of the 99 reviews PCD performed includes the 33 land development plans reviewed by the office during this past year. This land development figure actually represents an increase of 5 plans from 2013. In addition to the land development reviews, the Development Services Division reviewed 21 lot-addition plans, six lot consolidation plans, and 44 single-lot/multi-lot plans.



### Land Development

### **County Subdivision & Land Development Ordinance Administration**

The Lycoming County Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance (SLDO) was enacted on December 26, 1972, and most recently the County Commissioners enacted a complete SLDO rewrite in January 2014. The purpose of the County SLDO is to provide for the coordinated subdivision and land develop-

Anthony	Mill Creek
Bastress	Moreland
Brown	Muncy
Cogan House	Penn
Cummings	Piatt
Gamble	Pine
Jackson	Porter
Jordan	Shrewsbury
Limestone	Watson
McHenry	Hughesville Borough
McIntyre	Picture Rocks Borough
McNett	Salladasburg Borough
Mifflin	

ment of the municipalities and the County. Proposed developments should meet the standards of the Ordinance for the protection of the public's health, safety, and welfare.

The Lycoming County Planning Commission (LCPC) provides full-time, professional administration and legal support for the SLDO through the County Planning and Community Development Department.

This service is currently being utilized by 25 municipalities: 22 Townships and 3 Boroughs (as shown to the left).





### Staff Activity in 2014

- ◆ LCPC Staff accepted 64 new applications (with 18 submissions carried over from 2013). There was \$12,262.42 collected in subdivision & land development fees.
- ♦ The LCPC granted final approval for 41 subdivisions and 16 land development plans. Three plans were granted re-approval. Two plans were withdrawn.
- ♦ Subdivision plan approvals decreased by 4 from 2013 submissions.
- ◆ Land development plan approvals increased by 2 from 2013; included were 7 Commercial, 2 Agricultural, 1 Industrial, 2 Institutional, 1 Residential, and 3 natural gas related land developments. One of the land development approvals required a financial guarantee totaling \$365,499.20 in improvements.

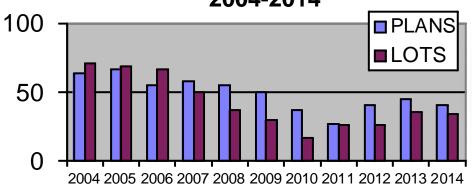
The graph on the following page depicts the subdivision approval trends over the last eleven years.

### Land Development

### **Subdivision and Land Development**

In municipalities that are under the County SLDO jurisdiction, a total of 34 new lots were created, which represents a decrease of two lots from 2013. Included in the total subdivision approvals, but not in the new lot tally, are 17 lots that were added to existing adjacent properties.

### Subdivision Approvals For Municipalities Under County SLDO 2004-2014





### Land Development Plans Approved in 2014

#### **Municipality**

Cogan House Twp. Cogan House Twp. Gamble Twp.

Hughesville Borough

Jordan Twp. McHenry Twp. McIntyre Twp. Mifflin Twp.

Jordan Twp.

Mill Creek Twp. Muncy Twp.

Muncy Twp. Penn Twp.

Pine Twp. Pine Twp.

Porter Twp.

#### **Applicant**

Cellco-Verizon/ Brooks

Ken Martin

Cellco-Verizon/ Hinkel Evangelical Friends Church

Cellco-Verizon/ Boyer Cellco-Verizon/ Renner PA General Energy/ DCNR Anadarko E&P Co./ Knowlden

Buzz Guthrie

Cellco-Verizon/Steinbacher

Ashler, Inc HIS Reality Inc. LCWSA

Cellco-Verizon/ Flicker Smiling Porker Farms, Inc.

PA General Energy

#### **Development Use**

Commercial Communications Tower

Dairy Barn Operation

Commercial Communications Tower

**Church Building Addition** 

Commercial Communications Tower Commercial Communications Tower

Natural Gas Compressor Station

Natural Gas Water Withdrawal Station

2nd Principle Residence on One Lot Commercial Communications Tower

Office Building

Warehouse-Storage/ Office Building

Public Sewer Control Building

Commercial Communications Tower

Swine Barn (Sow) Operation

Natural Gas Shop-Office and Yard



### County Zoning

### **County Zoning Ordinance Administration**

20 Member N	/lunicipalities
BASTRESS TOWNSHIP	McHENRY TOWNSHIP
BROWN TOWNSHIP	McINTYRE TOWNSHIP
CASCADE TOWNSHIP	MCNETT TOWNSHIP
COGAN HOUSE TOWNSHIP	MIFFLIN TOWNSHIP
CUMMINGS TOWNSHIP	MORELAND TOWNSHIP
GAMBLE TOWNSHIP	MUNCY TOWNSHIP
JACKSON TOWNSHIP	PENN TOWNSHIP
JORDAN TOWNSHIP	PIATT TOWNSHIP
LEWIS TOWNSHIP	SALLADASBURG BOROUGH
LIMESTONE TOWNSHIP	WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP

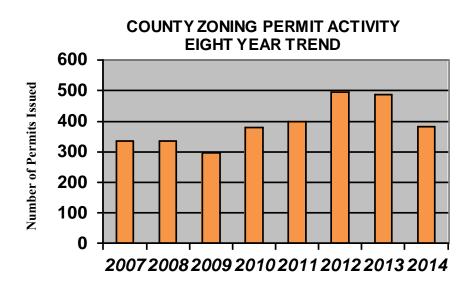
The 20 member municipalities listed at left participate in the Lycoming County Zoning Partnership. PCD staff administer the County Zoning Ordinance in these municipalities. Municipalities interested in joining the partnership should contact the PCD office.

In 2014, PCD staff also administered the municipal zoning ordinances for Plunketts Creek, Susquehanna, and Porter Townships. Dedicated staff members provide direct support to those communities and, when requested, also provide weekly office hours in the municipal building.

#### **Partnership Activity**

There was a total of 381 Zoning Development Permits issued during 2014 as compared to 487 in 2013. Decline in permit activity was attributed to a decreased number of permits relating to the natural gas industry and residential development.

In addition, the County has implemented 2 text amendments and 4 map amendments to the zoning ordinance. Most notable are two of the map amendments, which brought Limestone and Bastress Townships into the County Zoning Partnership.



### Zoning Hearing Board

In 2014, 22 cases were brought before the County Zoning Hearing Board:



- ♦ 12 Variances
- 9 Special exceptions
- ♦ 1 Withdrawn

All 21 cases that were considered were approved.

Among the 12 variances, there were:

- ♦ 2 animal sheds
- ♦ 2 single family residences
- 4 residential additions (2 non-conforming)
- ◆ 2 accessory structures (1 non-conforming)
- ♦ 1 sign
- ♦ 1 one-room schoolhouse

Special exception cases consisted of:

- 2 communication towers
- 2 compressor stations
- 1 heavy retail
- ◆ 1 commercial office
- 2 public service facilities
- ◆ 1 one-room schoolhouse

The mission of the Lycoming County Zoning Hearing Board is "to promote the health, safety, and general welfare of the present and future inhabitants of the County by providing for a rational and orderly pattern of land use, preserving and protecting the County's natural resources, creating an environment that is reasonably safe from floods and other dangers, and stabilizing the property values of land and buildings."

#### **Zoning Hearing Board Members**

Lloyd B. Forcey, Chairman William Klein, Vice-Chairman Leslie Whitehill, Member Christopher A. Logue, Member Dan Clark, Alternate Romuald "Ray" Andraka, Alternate Albert Boyer, Alternate



### **Geographic Information Systems (GIS)**

In 2014, the GIS Division continued to provide critical mapping and data analysis support to all functional areas of the Planning Department, and to other County departments as well. GIS Analyst Scott Williams has been accepted to present the results of his recent work on two major projects at three major statewide conferences, including the Pennsylvania Association of Floodplain Managers, Pennsylvania Association of County GIS Professionals, and Pennsylvania GIS Conference. This work is not just being recognized statewide, it is also significantly benefiting the day-to-day lives of Lycoming County residents.

#### Flood Zone "A" Analysis



Above: A segment of the Flood Zone A mapping analysis

Areas of special flood hazard area, zone "A" in flood insurance rate maps, are regulatory floodplains delineated using "approximate" technologies and have not been subjected to detailed hydraulic study. After numerous issues were identified in flood boundary mapping, a procedure was developed to do mass evaluation of existing flood zone "A" boundaries in Lycoming County. The procedure was specifically designed to require a bare minimum of data inputs to be easily replicated in other jurisdictions. Our analysis was accepted by FE-MA as the basis for reducing the area of flood zone "A" in Lycoming County by over 60%. This resulted in a reduction in total regulatory floodplain area in Lycoming County of 20% and benefitted over 700 households.

#### Structurally Deficient Bridges Study

As of 2014, Lycoming County had 58 locally owned structurally deficient bridges with an estimated total cost of repair/replacement of nearly \$20 million. The department wished to develop a data-driven process for prioritizing bridge projects to ensure that projects were funded according to need, based to the maximum extent possible on quantitative factors. To achieve this end, a ranking algorithm was developed that incorporated various quantifiable attributes related to bridge functionality and condition. Ranks were used to sort and group the bridge projects into a "category" system similar to that used for severe weather events. This ranked list can form the basis for bridge project prioritization and bundling in the future.

#### Office of Land Records

A "year of transition" best describes 2014 in the Land Records office.

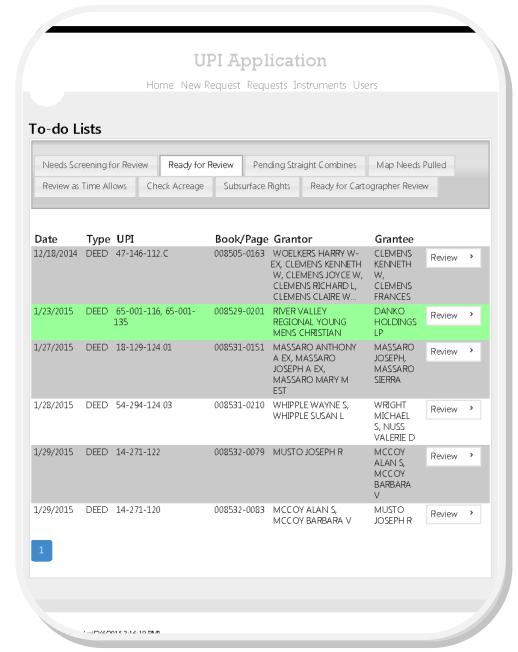
In effort to begin the goal of an efficient, paperless environment, a replacement UPI (Uniform Parcel Identification) database was created by Christopher Dalla Piazza of Lycoming County's Information

Services Department, with the valuable input of land records and assessment staff.

This replacement UPI application is internet-based, and therefore can be used from any county desktop. Its builtin workflow creates a more seamless exchange of information between the two offices. Any employee involved in any step of the process is able to see the status of a particular parcel to be updated, creating a nice transparency. This is a big success as we move forward to meeting our land records strategic goals!

#### Right:

A screen capture of the new UPI database



### **Assessment Update**

The first Quarter of 2014 saw uncertainty in the housing market due to the effects of Flood Insurance premiums. The County Commissioners voted to suspend the County-wide reassessment. They also voted to appoint a Board of Assessment Appeals, hearing the appeals in Fall 2014.

With the Reassessment suspended, the Assessment division resumed normal reviews and continued data collection on an ongoing basis.

### Homeowner Flood Insurance Affordability Act of 2014 (S. 1926)

Congress passed the Homeowner Flood Insurance Affordability Act which the President signed on March 21, 2014. This law repeals and modifies certain provisions of the Biggert-Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act, which was enacted in 2012, and makes additional program changes to other aspects of the program not covered by that Act. For many of our property owners, the new law reset the insurance premium back to the original Pre-FIRM rates and provided what is referred to as a longer glide path to full actuarial rates.

The law calls for FEMA to conduct an affordability study, and to raise rates no more than 18% for primary residences and 25% for non-primary, severe-repetitive-loss properties.

The bill also allowed new purchasers to keep the subsidized rate at the rate of the seller.

Finally, Congress fully restored grandfathering for property owners newly mapped into the floodplain.



THIRD STREET, WILLIAMSPORT, PA. DURING THE FLOOD,



### Risk Map

The mapping portion of the Risk Map Project came to an end in 2014 with several notable changes. First, FEMA fully accepted the A-Zone analysis conducted by County GIS staff. Questions of the base flood elevation (BFE) in the Muncy area affected by the West Branch of the Susquehanna River were resolved and the back water BFE. The new BFE will be 502 feet, which is an effective drop of two feet.

During the second half of 2014, the department made concerted outreach to municipalities and property owner of areas which would see changes. The regulatory phase will begin in January 2015, and it is anticipated that the maps will become effective in July 2016.



**Above:** A representation of the Muncy backwater depth grid and new BFE.

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BFE Base Flood Elevation

BMPs Best Management Practices

BNIP Brodart Neighborhood Improvement Project

BW-12 Biggert-Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2012 (federal)

CBTS Chesapeake Bay Tributary Strategy
CDBG Community Development Block Grant

CFM Certified Floodplain Manager

DCED Department of Community & Economic Development (state)

DEP Department of Environmental Protection (state)
DPS Department of Public Safety (Lycoming County)
EPA Environmental Protection Agency (federal)

FEMA Federal Emergency Management Agency (federal)

GIS Geographic Information Systems

HMGP Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (federal)
HUD Housing & Urban Development (federal)

LCAT Lycoming County Area Television

LCPC Lycoming County Planning Commission

LVRR Lycoming Valley Railroad

MPC Municipalities Planning Code (state)
 MS4 Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System
 NFIP National Flood Insurance Program (federal)

PCD (Department of) Planning and Community Development (Lycoming County)

PEMA Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency (state)
PennDOT Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (state)

PHARE Pennsylvania Housing Affordability and Rehabilitation Enhancement Fund

PHFA Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency (state)

PUC Public Utility Commission (state)

RVT River Valley Transit

SEDA-COG Susquehanna Economic Development Corporation-Council of Governments SLDO Subdivision & Land Development Ordinance (also referred to as SALDO)

STEP, Inc. Success Through Engagement and Partnership (aka Lycoming-Clinton Counties

Commission for Community Action)

TIP Transportation Improvement Plan

UPI Uniform Parcel Identifier

USGS United States Geological Survey (federal)
WATS Williamsport Area Transportation Study
WMWA Williamsport Municipal Water Authority



### **PCD Staff Roles in Boards and Organizations**

20	2014 Planning Department Staff Local Organization Participation	nnization Participation
Name	Role	Name of Organization
Kim Wheeler	Board Member	Our Towns 2010
John Lavelle	Member	UCLC Long Term Recovery Task Force
John Lavelle	PCD Staff Support	Lycoming Creek Watershed Association
John Lavelle	Class of 2014	Leadership Lycoming
Bill Kelly	Board Vice President	Lycoming County Area TV
Bill Kelly	Member	Susquehanna Health Steering Committee
Bill Kelly	Ex-officio Member/Representative	Lycoming County Water & Sewer Authority
Mark Murawski	Secretary	Williamsport Area Transportation Study (WATS)
Mark Murawski	Board Member	Roads to Freedom
Mark Murawski	Member	Lycoming County Gas Task Force
Mark Murawski	Chairman	Susquehanna Health Steering Committee
		Williamsport/Lycoming Chamber Transportation
Mark Murawski	Member, Programming Committee	Committee
Jenny Picciano	Member	Williamsport-Lycoming Young Professionals
Jenny Picciano	Member	Pine Creek Watershed Council Issues Committee
Jenny Picciano	PCD Staff Support	Loyalsock Creek Watershed Council
Jenny Picciano	Member	Our Towns Mural Advisory Committee
Megan Lehman	PCD Staff Support	Lyco. CBTS Point Source Work Group
Megan Lehman	PCD Staff Support	Lycoming County Chesapeake Bay Tributary
Megan Lehman	PCD Staff Support	Lyco, CBTS Non-Point Source Work Group
Megan Lehman/Jenny		Lycoming County Conservation District Board of
Picciano/Joshua Billings	Coordinating Agency Partner	Directors
Kurt Hausammann Jr.	Ex-officio Member	Industrial Properties Corporation (IPC)
Ed Feigles	Vice-Chair	Muncy Borough Planning Commission
Ed Feigles	Board Member	Muncy Borough Municipal Authority
Ed Feigles	Council Member	Muncy Borough Council

### Appendix A

	2014 Planning Department Staff Regional Organization Participation	I Organization Participation
Name	Role	Name of Organization
Kim Wheeler	Member	PA Wilds Planning Team
Kim Wheeler	Board Member	Lumber Heritage Region
Bill Kelly	Board Member	Lumber Heritage Region
Mark Murawski	President	RT 15 Coalition/ATA
Mark Murawski	Chairman	North Central PA Transit Task Force
Mark Murawski	Member	SEDA COG Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)
Mark Murawski	Member	Pine Creek Rail Trail Advisory Committee
		Regional Steering Committee for the Five-County Solid
Megan Lehman	Chair	Waste Management Plan
Megan Lehman	Chair	DEP North Central Citizens' Roundtable
		Endless Mountains Resource Conservation & Development
Megan Lehman	Secretary	Council (RC&D)
Jenny Picciano	Member	North Central Source Water Protection Alliance
David Hines	PCD Staff Support	Pine Creek COG (Council of Governments)
David Hines	PCD Staff Support	Pine Creek Preservation
Jenny Picciano	Alternate Member	Endless Mountains RC&D
Joshua Billings	Alternate Member	Endless Mountains RC&D
Lynn Cunningham	Treasurer	Babb Creek Watershed Association

### Appendix A

Name Fran McJunkin John Lavelle	2014 Planning Department Staff State-Wide Organization Participation  Role  Board Member  Board Member  PA Association of Floodplain	PA Association of Floodplain Managers (PAFPM)  PA Association of Floodplain Managers (PAFPM)  PA Association of Floodplain Managers (PAFPM)
Sai Vitko Fran McJunkin Mark Murawski Mark Murawski	Member Vice-Chairman Board Member	PA Association of Floodpiali Managers (FAFFIM) GIS Pros PA Aviation Advisory Committee PA Highway Information Association
Mark Murawski Megan Lehman Kurt Hausammann Jr.	Member Member Ex-Officio Member	PennDOT Financial Work Group  DEP Nutrient Trading Work Group County Commissioner Association (CCAP) - Gas Task Force
Kurt Hausammann Jr. Kurt Hausammann Jr.	Member / Chairman	County Planning Directors Assoc of PA / Gas Task Force Legislative Committee, APA-PA (American Planning Association, Pennsylvania Chapter)
Memberships Mark Murawski	Member	Rails-to-Trails Conservancy
Kurt Hausammann Jr. Kim Wheeler Megan Lehman	Member Member	APA-PA APA-PA APA-PA

### Appendix A

2013	2013 Planning Department Staff National Organization Participation	tion Participation
Name	Role	Name of Organization
Fran McJunkin	Member	Silver Jackets
Fran McJunkin	Charter Member	Association of State Floodplain Managers (ASFPM)
John Lavelle	Charter Member	ASFPM
Sal Vitko	Member	ASFPM
Megan Lehman	Alternate (for Jeff Wheeland)	Chesapeake Bay Local Government Advisory Committee
<u>Memberships</u>		
Kiit Laisammana Ir	Mombor	American Planning Association (APA); American Institute of Certified Planners
Kim Wheeler	Member	ADA: AICP
Megan Lehman	Member	APA; AICP



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