

WCCD FACT SHEET



Washington County Conservation District

8/2012

CHAPTER 105 GENERAL PERMITS

In order to simplify the application process for Chapter 105 Water Obstruction & Encroachment General Permits in Washington County, the Washington County Conservation District has prepared this fact sheet to provide all interested parties with the information necessary to properly prepare and submit a Chapter 105 General Permit (GP) to the PA DEP.

In accordance with Title 25, Chapter 105 of PA Code, and PA Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) rules and regulations, all water obstruction and encroachment activities are not to commence without first obtaining a written permit or waiver from the DEP.

WHEN ARE GPs NEEDED?

GPs are needed nearly any time a project involves altering or crossing a watercourse, floodway, wetland, or body of water.

WHAT GP IS REQUIRED?

The GP numbers correspond to specific activities.

Chapter 105 Water Obstruction & Encroachment General Permits	
GP-1	Fish Habitat Enhancement Structures
GP-2	Small Docks and Boat Launching Ramps
GP-3	Bank Rehab, Protection, and Gravel Bar Removal
GP-4	Intake and Outfall Structures
GP-5	Utility Line Stream Crossings
GP-6	Agricultural Crossings and Ramps
GP-7	Minor Road Crossings
GP-8	Temporary Road Crossings
GP-9	Agricultural Activities
GP-10	Abandoned Mine Reclamation
GP-11	Maintenance, Testing, Repair of Obstructions / Encr.
GP-12	Flood Damage Remediation
GP-15	Private Residential Construction in Wetlands

WHAT MUST BE SUBMITTED?

All GP applications must include the following:

**Some GP's will require extra items (listed within permit package). Permit packages available at the Conservation District office or the DEP website.*

To County & Appropriate Municipality

- ☐ Act 14 Notifications
 - Notifications of intended work must be sent to county and municipality
 - Samples of Act 14 Notification available at the Conservation District office
- ☐ Location map
 - Photocopy of a portion of USGS topo map
 - Available for use at the District office

To Department of Environmental Protection

- ☐ Complete "Single and Complete Project Screening" form
- ☐ Complete "General Permit Registration" form
- ☐ Act 14 Notifications and proof of receipt
- ☐ Location map
- ☐ Project sketches / drawings
- ☐ Completed PNDI search receipt
 - PNDI is a search for protected species in proposed work area; can be done by applicant
 - PNDI website: www.naturalheritage.state.pa.us

To Washington County Conservation District

- ☐ All of the above listed items
- ☐ Erosion & Sedimentation Control Plan
- ☐ Accompanying GP E&S Review fee

HOW LONG WILL THE PROCESS TAKE?

Initial review may take up to thirty (30) days.

Depending upon what revisions must be made to the proposed plans, the process may take longer than expected. Plan ahead and submit applications for Ch. 105 General Permits early.