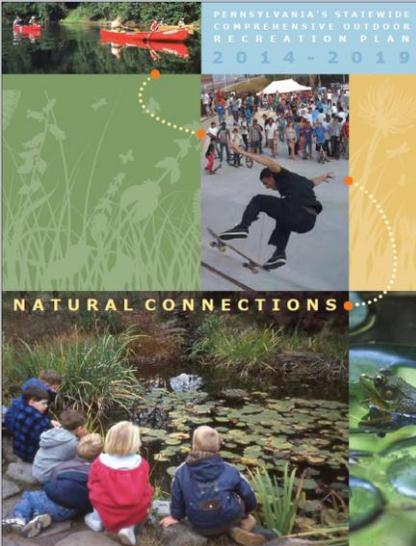


Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) in Pennsylvania A National Estate of Parks

Planning for the future



The 2014-2019 PA State Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP) was created in conjunction with and with financial assistance from LWCF.

Projects funded through the LWCF State Assistance Program must incorporate one or more of the five priorities identified in the 2014-2019 Pennsylvania Outdoor Recreation Plan, Natural Connections:

<http://www.paoutdoorrecplan.com/>

Pennsylvania's priorities for the expenditure of LWCF funds over the next five years include:

- Acquisition of critical wildlife habitat, forested watershed, wetlands and riparian corridors.
- Rehabilitation of existing local parks with a focus on playground replacement and upgrades.



What is LWCF?

The Land & Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) State Assistance Program, established in 1965, is a federal source of funding provided by the U.S. Department of the Interior's National Park Service (NPS) to all states to provide 50% matching grants for the acquisition and development of public outdoor recreation areas and facilities. The intent of the Program is to create and maintain a nationwide legacy of high quality recreation areas and facilities for the general public to enjoy. The Program has helped Pennsylvania establish one of the finest state and local park systems in the nation. Since 1965, the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) has awarded over \$164,000,000 in LWCF grants to Pennsylvania communities in over 1500 unique projects.

LWCF Site Inspections

All projects funded through the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) State Assistance Program are permanently protected for the benefit of the public. Upon completion of the project, DCNR is responsible to complete post on-site inspections at five year intervals on all projects. The inspection areas are defined by the "6(f)(3) project boundary map" which is on file with DCNR and NPS. If it is discovered that the property has been converted to a use that is not consistent with public outdoor recreation it is the community's responsibility to work with the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources to reach a solution. It is through this process that we can be sure that LWCF will help provide outdoor recreation opportunities for this and future generations.

LWCF in Your Community

Find an existing LWCF project in your community, visit our interactive map: <http://www.gis.dcnr.state.pa.us/maps/index.html?grants=true>

Apply for a grant through DCNR's Community Conservation Partnerships Program (C2P2): <https://www.grants.dcnr.state.pa.us/>

More Information about LWCF

Visit the following websites to find more information about the LWCF State Assistance Program:

NPS: <http://www.nps.gov/lwcf/index.htm>

DCNR: <http://www.dcnr.state.pa.us/brc/index.htm>

Contact a DCNR, Bureau of Recreation and Conservation, Regional Advisor: http://www.dcnr.state.pa.us/cs/groups/public/documents/document/d_001184.pdf