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ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY BOARD

November 19, 2009

Environmental Quality Board P.O. Box 8477 Harrisburg, PA

Dear Sir or Madam:

I write you requesting you take the time to consider the issues being brought before you regarding water quality and runoff in our state,

Forested Buffers are good for the environment because they reduce pollution and flooding. They limit the erosion of stream banks and cut drinking water treatment costs.

We need a minimum of 100 foot Forested Buffers on all the streams in PA, and we need you to consider that the voluntary program we have had in the past has not been successful.

Clean water not only is essential for life, it is essential for the quality of life. It is easier to not create a problem in the first place than to try to fix one after the fact.

Sincerely.

Jeff Badger