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This letter is to encourage you protect our water supply by requiring stream buffers of at least 100 feet on all streams in Pennsylvania. New developments are creating far too much pollution and run-off into our streams. Immediate action must take place in order to protect our water quality, and thus our quality of life. Voluntary buffer zones will not do the job; they haven't worked thus far and there is no reason to believe they would in the future. We must have strong legislation that ensures legal protection of our water supply. I taught fifth grade for 36 years and throughout that time I found that despite our best efforts, I could only tell my students that the situation was getting worse year after year. Please pass legislation that would ensure immediate improvement of the worsening problem.

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