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Re: eComment System

The Department of Environmental Protection has received the following comments on Proposed Rulemaking: WQM and NPDES Permit Application Fees and Annual Fees (#7-533)(correction to Table in § 91.22(a) published April 6, 2019; 49 Pa.B. 1665).

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Pennsylvania's Animal Agricultural needs to remain completive with farms in neighboring state. When looking a fee structures DEP should look to neighboring programs because those are the competitors to PA's Animal Agricultural. The Proposed fees will put Animal Agricultural at a disadvantage to neighboring states. The examples of fee from other local state include, New York, the annual fee for CAFO is only \$50 per year, Maryland, the permit fee for CAFOs is waived, and Ohio the application fee for a new CAFO is \$200 and there is no annual fee. These States have no fees WQM (Water Quality Management) permit for new storage structures. DEP should work to make fees comparable to neighboring jurisdictions so not to put Pennsylvania's Animal Agricultural at a disadvantage.

No attachments were included as part of this comment.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely, Jessica Shirley