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**The Department of Environmental Protection has received the following comments on Proposed Rulemaking: Dam Safety and Waterway Management (#7-556).**

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Comments entered:

Dear PA Environmental Quality Board,

Please spare no effort and make no compromises in protecting public health and the environment before finalizing the proposed revisions to Chapter 105, governing dams, water obstructions, and encroachments into aquatic resources.

I urge you to reconsider the proposal to require a company seeking a permit for an industry activity that crosses multiple counties – like a pipeline – to submit only one application. So many aspects to consider thoroughly! Make it easier for the counties and their residents to learn about proposed industrial activities that might affect their waters and therefore make it harder for citizens to participate and have a voice in the process.

Protect our wetlands and waterways and make it harder for industry to negatively impact them. Instead, the Department is making it easier for industry to get permits or evade the permitting process altogether by expanding the number of activities eligible for a waiver out of the permitting process.

Because some Pennsylvania bodies of water are so important or threatened, there should be no

waivers allowed for activities in these waterways, no matter how small the stream size.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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No attachments were included as part of this comment.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,  
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