

Department of Environmental Resources State Documents

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Summary Information

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Scope and Contents

The Department of Environmental Resources was responsible for the management and protection of the natural resources of the Commonwealth. The Department held authority over state forests, parks, and outdoor recreational facilities belonging to the state, with the responsibility of conservation and promotion of Pennsylvania's natural resources.

The publications of the Department of Environmental Resources contain newsletters. Selected topics from these publications include wildlife discussion. The bulk of the current material is dated from 1994 to 1995.

Biographical / Historical

In 1971, the departments of Forests and Waters and Mines and Mineral Industries were abolished and their powers and duties assigned to the newly-created Department of Environmental Resources. Specific responsibilities for the protection of environmental resources previously vested in the departments of Agriculture, Health, and Labor and Industry, and the State Planning Board were also transferred to the Department. The Department of Environmental Resources (DER) was split into two agencies by Act 18 in 1995: the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR).

Legacy Agency Names and Related Agencies

Department of Environmental Protection (successor agency); Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (successor agency); Department of Forests and Waters (incorporated agency); Department of Mines and Mineral Industries (incorporated agency)

Other Finding Aids

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