

Delaware River Basin Commission

Managing, Protecting & Improving
the Delaware River Basin's
Water Resources Since 1961



Members: Delaware, New Jersey,
New York, Pennsylvania & the
Federal Government



Jurisdiction:
The watershed
boundary of
the Delaware
River, including
DE, NJ, NY & PA



Authority: The
Compact
forming the
DRBC is federal
law & law in each
basin state

"Today's formal signing of the Delaware River Basin Compact is a significant event...We are glad to join with Delaware, New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania in this bold venture. The task set for the Commission will not be easy to achieve, but we are confident that the cooperation that has brought forth this Compact will endure, and that working together real progress can be made for the people of the Basin." --John F. Kennedy, Nov. 2, 1961

Who is the DRBC?

The Delaware River Basin Commission (DRBC) was created in 1961 as the 1st federal-interstate regulatory water resources agency in the country. Formed in response to severe water quality issues, record flooding and interstate water conflicts, the DRBC works collaboratively to ensure a clean, sustainable and secure water supply for over 14 million people in four states.

Commission members are the governors of the four basin states & the Division Engineer, North Atlantic Division, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, who serves as the federal representative.

Based in West Trenton, N.J., the DRBC has its own Executive & Deputy Exec. directors and a staff of about 35 people, including scientists, engineers and planners.

DRBC Meetings

Meetings of the DRBC are open to the public. This includes quarterly business meetings, advisory committee meetings and public hearings.

The public is encouraged to participate in DRBC meetings & comment on policy matters and water resource projects under regulatory review.

All DRBC decisions are made at duly-noticed public meetings.

DRBC Programs

- **Water Quality:** Improve & protect water quality for human & aquatic life
- **Water Availability:** Manage, track & conserve water supplies for a variety of needs & uses
- **Project Review:** Regulatory approval of large water withdrawals from & discharges to basin waters
- **Water Resiliency:** Manage & protect water resources from hydrologic extremes (drought, floods) & climate change
- **Water Equity:** Ensure equitable & just regulatory processes and community engagement

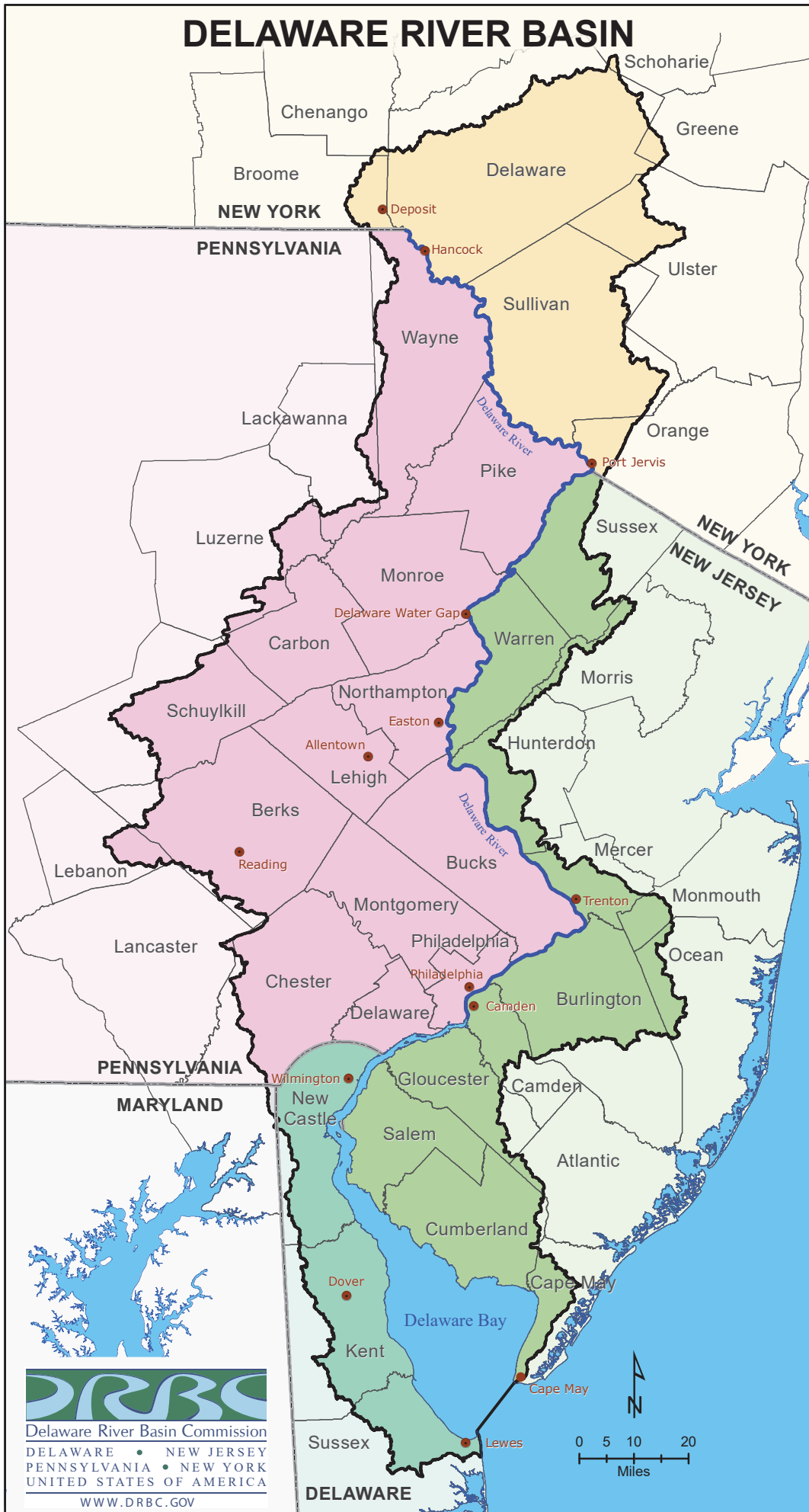
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