Policy & Implementation Committee Fiscal Year 2023 Work Plan Update



August 25, 2023

Project/Initiative	Status
Land preservation summit and acquisition round	Summit held 3/7/23; land acquisition round postponed.
Landfill closure assessments	Assessments completed for Woodbine and Berkeley landfills; development applications approved. Presentation on the staff's landfill capping analysis made in February 2023.
Septic pilot program	Comprehensive report provided to P&I in February 2023. Review of development applications ongoing.
Permanent land protection data and reporting	Map generated and annual PLP presentation made at October 2022 Commission meeting. State, county and NGO updates for FY23 received and entered into new database.

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Kirkwood-Cohansey water management rules	Rule proposal published September 2022. Two public hearings held in late 2022. Reproposal of substantial changes authorized in February 2023 in response to public comment. Public hearing held on May 3, 2023, with comments accepted through June 3, 2023. Adoption notice drafted and submitted to Governor's office for review and approval on June 23, 2023.
ROW Pilot Program rules	Rule proposal language drafted, shared with P&I Committee and undergoing final staff review.
Black Run watershed rules	Presentation to P&I Committee in April 2023; rule proposal language, maps and data being generated.

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Forest and Rural Development Area clustering rules	Amendments are still being drafted.
PDC rules	Rule language drafted to recognize municipal prerogative to increase densities and shift PDC obligation to nonresidential development if certain standards are met.
PDC supply and demand	Preliminary methodologies and estimates have been made and are undergoing refinement. A new "active" PDC project spreadsheet was created to provide staff with a more accurate picture of immediate demand.

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Pinelands Infrastructure Trust Fund	Two projects that received PITF awards were active during the year. DAGs agreed that water projects can proceed through the state appropriation process. I-Bank drafted language for the appropriations bill.
Climate Committee support and initiatives	Management area boundary assessment underway. Dual use solar presentations made by BPU and Lightstar at July meeting. Participation on Interagency Council continues with preparation of Resilience Action Plans (Extreme Heat).

FY2023 Initiatives: NPS Economic Monitoring

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Economic Monitoring Statistics: 5-Year Update	All available data collected; data cleaning underway.
Economy of Parks and Open Space study	Some reports and data gathered; exploring identification of additional parameters
Brotherton Reservation excavation and education	Excavation completed in 2022.
Scenic Byway support and app development	Cell phone app abandoned due to time and cost.
Historic cemetery GPR mapping	Three potential cemeteries identified for future survey. Initial GPR work commenced in June 2023.
Archaeological symposium	Successful symposium held in November 2022.

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Procedural CMP amendments	Amendments drafted for waiver and CF expiration, increased fees for violations, wetlands LOIs and waiver applications.
Municipal "model" stormwater ordinances	Model ordinance drafted and distributed to Pinelands towns. Adopted ordinances received and processed.
 NJ Forest Stewardship Task Force Develop and submit forestry policy proposals Attend/monitor task force and work group meetings 	Complete
Local communications facility plan amendment	RFP issued in March 2023. Executed contract with radio frequency consultant in June 2023. No formal amendment submissions yet.

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Stockton University 2020 Facilities Master Plan • DCR amendment and offset	Master Plan and associated map reviewed by P&I in November 2022; appropriate changes to the DCR identified to recognize existing/planned infrastructure. Stockton submitted its DCR amendment request to NJDEP in June 2023. Work continues on development applications in an effort to resolve outstanding violations.
Amendment to Lake Lenape MOA with Atlantic County	MOA Amendment approved by Commission in February and fully executed by all parties in June 2023. The County has initiated the DCR amendment process with NJDEP.

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Secondary Impacts Agreement for GSP Interchange 44	Extension granted to Atlantic County through 9/7/2023 for completion of land acquisition obligation (+/- 14 acres).
Review (old) MOAs with NJDEP and identify necessary updates and revisions	Not started
Review and respond to other agency rulemaking	Comments submitted on BPU and NJDEP (PACT) rulemaking proposals

FY2023 Initiatives: Unanticipated Projects

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MOA requests from Pemberton and Stafford townships to accommodate accessible trails in wetlands buffers	Commission authorization to draft MOAs was granted for Pemberton and Stafford. Both MOAs are under development.
America the Beautiful/NFWF grant opportunities	Submitted pre-proposal for a grant related to land stewardship of properties preserved through the PCF; notified in June 2023 that pre-proposal was not selected.
Redevelopment plans to accommodate warehouses in RGA residential or mixed use zones	Approach developed, discussed with P&I and implemented by two municipalities.
ATV legislation	Legislation and municipal ordinances researched and discussed with P&I in March 2023.

FY2023: Municipal Conformance

- 171 municipal master plans and ordinances received
- 144 reviewed and determined to raise no issues or no substantial issues
- 8 required formal Commission review and approval:
 - Egg Harbor Township: Timber Ridge Redevelopment Plan
 - Evesham Township: Master Plan and management area changes
 - Southampton Township: Red Lion Diner Redevelopment Plan
 - Pemberton Township: Lakehurst Road Redevelopment Plan
 - Waterford Township: Repeal of streamlining procedures
 - Waterford Township: Amendments to the Haines Boulevard Redevelopment Plan
 - Monroe Township: Hexa Builders Redevelopment Plan