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Latest News

PEMA Issues Statewide Flood Alert for Today

Rainfall totals of 2 to 3 inches with locally higher amounts are possible between now and Thursday morning from the remnants of Tropical Depression Fred. While rounds of rain will be widespread, some areas may see heavy downpours, which could lead to rapid onset of locally flooded roadways along with small creeks and streams.

Heavy rain events can quickly become hazardous, especially in areas that are prone to flooding. Public Works crews will be challenged and should report any incidents, closures or unmet needs to their county emergency management office.

The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) warns motorists not to drive across roads covered with water because even shallow, swiftly flowing water can wash a car from a roadway. Also, the roadbed may not be intact under the water. Never drive around barricades or signs on closed roads – Turn Around, Don't Drown.

FCC Releases New Broadband Coverage Map

The FCC published a [brand-new map](#) showing mobile coverage and availability data in the U.S. from the country's largest wireless providers. [According to the agency](#), this is the first public map showing updated mobile coverage released by the FCC and represents a significant improvement over other data previously published by the agency.

Today Is "Final" Final Day to Submit Application for ARP Funds

Today is the final day that the state Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) will accept completed applications for American Rescue Plan funds. After today, the State Treasurer and DCED will reallocate the remaining dollars that were not applied for to the municipalities that did apply for these funds. If you need help with your application, call DCED's customer service at 1-800-379-7448.

Remember to Complete PSATS' Salary Survey Plus Today!

Log onto psats.org and look under "My PSATS" for "Salary Survey Plus."

IFO Releases Brief on Property Tax Burden by County

The Independent Fiscal Office (IFO) has released a research brief on the Property Tax Burden by County. The brief analyzes federal income data against the county, school district, and municipal tax burden in each county to make this comparison. [Click here](#) to learn more.

Today in History...

On August 18, 1872, Aaron Montgomery Ward produces a mail-order catalog that would launch a growing era of mail-order publications that would last more than 100 years. Shopping at Montgomery Ward still occurs today, but is now an "online" internet experience.

Learn

PSATS educational events will be listed as follows: Mondays – All webinars; Tuesdays – Administrative; Wednesdays – Planning/Zoning; Thursdays – Public Works; Fridays – Public Safety.

2021 PAAZO Fall Seminar

In the PAAZO Fall Seminar, learn from experts on a wide variety of topics pertinent to your duties as a municipal Zoning official. Specific agenda items will be updated when finalized.

[2021 PAAZO Fall Seminar - 10/19/21 - Central](#)

[2021 PAAZO Fall Seminar -10/21/21 - West](#)

[2021 PAAZO Fall Seminar -11/9/21 - East](#)



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