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Township Video News



TVN's Question of the Week | Can we allow ATVS on township roads?

Find out more about passing ordinances to allow all-terrain vehicles on township roads. Also, [click here](#) to catch up on previous Questions of the Week.

Latest News

Prepare Your 2023 Budgets Accordingly

Yesterday, the Fed hiked interest rates another $\frac{3}{4}$ of a percent to try and control runaway inflation. Your 2023 budget will be impacted. Don't miss our series of Budget preparation classes coming up next month. And on the looming recession front, this morning it was announced that there have now been 2 consecutive quarters of negative growth for the economy, yet joblessness remains low so there are no ironclad statements on a bad economy....."it just feels like it", according to many.

Updated Final Rule FAQs Provide Clarification

Treasury released an updated [SLFRF Frequently Asked Questions](#) document. Of note, Treasury clarified that local governments who did not choose the "standard allowance" election under revenue replacement in their April 2022 Project and Expenditure Reports may update their revenue loss election through the April 2023 reporting period. As a reminder, the "standard allowance" allows local governments to spend up to \$10 million (*not to exceed their award amounts*) to provide government services.

Additionally, Treasury provided clarifications on the definitions of obligated funds, noting that "obligation" means "an order placed for property and services and entering into contracts, subawards, and similar transactions that require payment." [Click here](#) to read the FAQs and note that the new or updated FAQs are listed on the [second page](#).

DCNR Funding Opportunity – ATV and Snowmobile Program

The Department of Conservation and Natural Resources has announced the fall grant round of the [All-Terrain Vehicle \(ATV\) and Snowmobile Program](#). Grant funding is available for projects proposing land acquisition, planning, development, rehabilitation, maintenance, equipment purchase, or educational programs for ATV or snowmobile trails and facilities.

Townships can apply for this funding starting Monday, August 1, 2022, and ending on Friday, September 30, 2022, through [DCNR's online grant application portal](#).

Has Your Township Implemented a Stormwater Fee?

Does your township have a story to share about implementing **STORMWATER FEES**? Tell us all about it for the September 2022 issue of *Pa. Township News*!

We're looking to provide more information about how stormwater fees help townships maintain infrastructure, mitigate flooding, and better prepare your municipality for emergencies. Also, what challenges or difficulties did you face while implementing fees?

Please email Associate Editor Ali Campbell at acampbell@psats.org by Monday, **August 1, 2022**, or by calling (717) 763-0930, etc. 109, with your stories about stormwater fees. Thank you!

Has Your Township Volunteer Fire Company had a Fundraiser?

Does your township volunteer fire company have a unique fundraiser? Township News wants to share ideas with others in a feature to appear in the September issue. Email Chris Brady at cbrady@psats.org with your success story.

Today in History....

On July 28, 1868 the 14th Amendment to the US Constitution was adopted following its ratification by the necessary three-quarters of U.S. states. It granted citizenship to all persons born or naturalized in the United States—including formerly enslaved people. Secretary of State William Seward issues a proclamation certifying the amendment.

Learn

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

Stormwater 101

This half-day, in-person, introductory class will educate you on the basics of municipal stormwater management, including the effects of stormwater runoff, the impacts of new development and redevelopment within your municipality, and best practices that your municipality can implement to efficiently manage stormwater without breaking your budget.

[8/4/22 - Montgomery County](#)

[8/12/22 - Clearfield County](#)

[8/19/22 - Lackawanna County](#)



Flagger Training

This instructor-led Flagger Training will be conducted for individuals who have flagging responsibilities on ANY ROAD OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

[8/11/22 - Fayette County](#)

[9/12/22 - Cambria County](#)

[10/25/22 - Schuylkill County](#)

[11/1/22 - Union County](#)

[11/2/22 - Clinton County](#)



CDL - Probable Cause Training For CDL Supervisory Personnel

Participants will learn what to do if they suspect or verify that a CDL employee is under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol while on duty.

[9/27/22 - Cumberland County](#)

[10/12/22 - Bucks County](#)

[10/19/22 - Butler County](#)

[11/18/22 - Berks County](#)



CMV/CDL Records Management

This workshop will review CMV/CDL employee and vehicle paperwork.

[9/27/22 - Cumberland County](#)

[10/12/22 - Bucks County](#)

[10/19/22 - Butler County](#)

[11/18/22 - Berks County](#)



2022 PSATS Fall Engineers Virtual Seminar - 10/27/22

This full-day virtual seminar is designed to meet the educational interests and busy schedules of consulting engineers by providing a focused overview of important issues of interest to municipal engineers and their local government clients.



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