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## Latest News

### **Commonwealth Court Decision Enjoins Enforcement of 2021 UCC Accessibility Updates**

This week, the Commonwealth Court issued an opinion in *Pennsylvania Builders Association v. Department of Labor and Industry*, which permanently enjoined enforcement of the 2021 accessibility updates to the Uniform Construction Code.

As such, the state Department of Labor and Industry has advised that effective immediately, all enforcement of the 2021 accessibility standards must cease. Since the 2018 accessibility standards were in effect before December 25, 2021, and were unchallenged, L&I has advised that all structures must still comply with the 2018 accessibility requirements.

The Court's decision does not affect enforcement of the non-accessibility requirements of the Uniform Construction Code. Contact Michael Kegg, Director of the Bureau of Occupational & Industrial Safety, with questions at [mkegg@pa.gov](mailto:mkegg@pa.gov) or 717-783-6304.

### **Reminder: Virtual Grant Workshop Slated for Recreation, Conservation Projects**

Mark your calendars! The Department of Conservation and Natural Resources will hold a free, virtual workshop on November 3 from 9 a.m. to noon that is designed to help applicants develop project ideas to prepare a grant application for the Community Conservation Partnerships Program (C2P2), which will accept applications January 17 to April 5, 2023. DCNR's Bureau of Recreation and Conservation staff will present grant program selection criteria, review current

program priorities, and discuss eligible project categories.

2023 potential applicants are strongly encouraged to attend the virtual workshop. It is designed for municipal officials, consultants, board members, trail managers, land trust staff, and park and recreation professionals. A general session for all applicants will be followed by project type-specific breakout sessions. There will be ample time for project-specific Q&As with DCNR's professional grant managers and regional advisors. To learn more or register, [click here](#). To learn more about the program, [click here](#).

### **Today in History....**

The Statue of Liberty, a gift of friendship from the people of France to the people of the United States, was dedicated in New York Harbor by President Grover Cleveland. In 1892, Ellis Island, adjacent to Bedloe's Island, opened as the chief entry station for immigrants to the United States, and for the next 32 years more than 12 million legal immigrants were welcomed into New York harbor by the sight of "Lady Liberty." In 1924, the Statue of Liberty was made a national monument, and in 1956 Bedloe's Island was renamed Liberty Island.

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## Learn

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

### **[Emergency Management Fall Exercise Forum - Virtual Class - 12/8/22](#)**

This full-day, virtual class is designed for everyone responsible for your municipality's emergency management program, including elected officials, municipal managers, road crew/public works personnel, and, most importantly, local emergency management coordinators (EMCs).



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