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Subject: 100' buffers

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REVIEW COMMISSION

Dear Sir or Madame,

I am writing in support of 100' buffers along all rivers, streams, creeks in Pennsylvania. Riparian buffers, a simple act of having plants and trees planted along our waterways serve so many benefits. These buffers would provide shade thereby lowering the water temperature. Leaf litter would provide food for invertebrates and improve the food chain for fish. Stream banks would be stabilized and help stem storm water run off. New habitat would be created for both birds and mammals. This would be the most economical way to accomplish all these goals.

I also want you to do your job and enforce the Clean Water Act. Stop diminishing the Act and allowing business, industry and developers to do whatever they please in construction of housing developments and business development. Do not pass "Permit by Rule", that letting the fox in the hen house. Developers have proven they can not be trusted to do the right thing in protecting the environment.

Sincerely,

William A. Derhammer
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