



To: Municipalities and County Offices
From: Chester County Conservation District Board of Directors
Date: May 13, 2009
RE: **Conservation District Fees for Service**

Revised October 10, 2013

On April 16, 2009, the Chester County Conservation District Board of Directors approved the collection of a District Service Fee for the Erosion and Sedimentation Pollution Control and NPDES Program for municipalities and county projects. Fees are based on the disturbed acreage of the project rounded up to the nearest whole number.

The following is the approved schedule:

<u>Disturbed Acreage</u>	<u>Fee</u>
0 - <5 acres	\$ 250
5 - <10 acres	\$ 500
10 acres and above	\$1,000

For miscellaneous projects (Timber Harvest, Chapter 105, Pond/Stream, and Small Agricultural Building Projects), Base Fee from District Services Fee Schedule will be charged if less than Municipalities and County Offices Fees listed above.

A check payable to the Chester County Conservation District must be included for the appropriate amount when submitting a plan to the Conservation District for review. If the disturbed acreage is 1 acre or more, a fee of \$500 for a General NPDES permit or \$1,500 for an Individual NPDES permit continues to be required and is payable to the Chester County Conservation District Clean Water Fund. In addition, there is a DEP disturbed acreage fee of \$100 per disturbed acre rounded to the nearest whole number due and payable to the Commonwealth of PA Clean Water Fund. Please refer to the District Services Fee Schedule for more information on permit fees.

Approximately 65% of the District's funding is derived from Fees for Service. The District Fee Schedule has allowed charging this fee for municipal projects; however, most fees for service were waived in the past. Effective June 1, 2009, the Conservation District will begin collecting this fee for municipal and county projects. If there are questions or concerns, please contact Chris Strohmaier at (610) 925-4920 or cstrohmaier@chesco.org.

Sincerely,

Tom Brosius
Chairman, Board of Directors