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The Conservation Pledge

I give my pledge as an

American to save and faithfully defend from waste, the natural resources of my country; the soil, the water, the air, the minerals, the plant life and the wildlife.

This is my Pledge!

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New Data Shows Chemical Releases Decline While American Economy Thrives

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) released its Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) National Analysis for reporting year 2023, which shows that toxic chemical releases have decreased as the chemical indus-

try's contribution to the national Gross Domestic Product (GDP) has increased. This demonstrates that industry can simultaneously protect the environment and grow the nation's economy.

"With this analysis, EPA is showing how

American industry continues to improve its environmental performance while growing the economy," said Nancy Beck, Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator for EPA's Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution

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Shapiro Administration and Public Utility Commission Announce 2 Gigawatts of Installed Solar Energy in Pennsylvania— Enough to Power 350,000 Homes

The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) joined the Public Utility Commission and the Department of Conservation and Natural Re-

sources (DCNR) today to announce 2 gigawatts of installed solar energy in Pennsylvania, only 17 months after crossing the 1-gigawatt threshold.

"Clean, renewable energy like solar helps reduce air pollution, fights climate

change, and helps meet our growing electricity needs. This is a momentous milestone, and there is now enough installed solar capacity in Pennsylvania to power 350,000 homes," said DEP

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New Data Shows Chemical Releases Decline While American Economy Thrives (continued)

Prevention.

Highlights from the 2023 TRI National Analysis include:

- Between 2014 and 2023, environmental releases of TRI-listed chemicals fell 21%, including a 32% decrease in air releases. During this 10-year period, releases from manufacturing facilities decreased by 15% while the manufacturing sector's contribution to the U.S. GDP increased by 13%.
- A feature profile on automotive manufacturing which shows that, from 2014 to 2023, this sector's value to the economy increased by 34% while chemical releases decreased by 14%.
- In 2023, facilities managed 90% of their TRI chemical waste through preferred practices such as recycling, energy recovery and treatment.
- From 1998 to 2023, companies managing TRI chemicals, which include lead, mercury, dioxins, and per-and-polyfluoralkyl substances (PFAS) chemicals, have decreased releases by 54% while the national GDP has increased by 74%.
- For reporting year 2023, nine PFAS were added to the reporting requirements for a total of 189 PFAS tracked by the TRI program. During 2023, 61 facilities managed 1.6 million pounds of PFAS as waste and decreased chemical releases by 16%.

EPA is holding a public webinar September 30, 2025, at 3:00 PM EST to provide an overview of the 2023 TRI National Analysis. [Register for the webinar.](#)

Please see [EPA's 2023 TRI National Analysis](#) for more information.

Background

The 2023 TRI National Analysis uses interactive visualizations and analytical tools to summarize the most recent TRI data and highlight trends in waste management practices for specific sectors and chemicals. Along with the feature profile on automotive manufacturing, the analysis includes profiles of electric utilities, chemical manufacturing, and wood product manufacturing. The Chemical Profiles highlight chemicals of importance to the public and EPA, including PFAS, mercury, lead and dioxins.

Under the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA), EPA must track the industrial management of chemicals that may pose a threat to human health and the environment. EPA, states and Tribes receive TRI data from facilities in sectors such as manufacturing, hazardous waste management and electric utilities.

Source: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

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Secretary Jessica Shirley. “Putting more solar power onto the grid is part of Governor Josh Shapiro’s Lightning Plan – an all of the above energy plan to create jobs, lower energy costs for consumers, and fight climate change.”

The celebration took place in front of a **342-kW solar array** at Gifford Pinchot State Park’s **Quaker Race Day Use Area**, which provides shade for ADA-accessible picnic areas and parking while generating clean energy. By 2030, DCNR will derive all of its electricity from renewables, about half of that through solar installations.

“This park uses clean energy from the sun and provides shade for cars in the parking area, modeling a practical way we can take climate action and serve visitors in an innovative way,” **DCNR Deputy Secretary Mike Walsh** said. “For 30 years, DCNR has been managing Pennsylvania’s natural resources with sustainability at the forefront. With leadership from Governor Shapiro, we continue to focus on the stewardship that strengthens communities and enhances our quality of life.”

Increasing renewable energy like solar is part of Governor Shapiro’s Lightning Plan. The plan would create or protect more than 15,000 Pennsylvania jobs, save more than \$660 million for consumers by 2040, and generate more than \$11 billion in clean, reliable energy investments. Updates to the Alternative Energy Portfolio Standard through the Pennsylvania Reliable Energy Sustainability Standard (PRESS) proposal would incentivize more clean energy as part of Pennsylvania’s electricity mix.

Further investments in clean energy could come from Community Energy projects that allow communities to jointly invest in local energy projects and sell excess electricity to the grid. And the proposed Pennsylvania Climate Emissions Reduction (PACER) PACER would establish a cap-and-invest program to set Pennsylvania’s carbon limit and invest in reducing electricity costs. Under PACER, 70 percent of the revenue generated would be returned to Pennsylvanians as rebates on their electric bills.

As DEP celebrates its 30th anniversary in 2025, the **Shapiro Administration** is committed to protecting Pennsylvanians’ air, land, and water from pollution. DEP will continue to work as partners with people, businesses, and organizations to protect our natural resources and public health, now and forever.

Source: The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)

Pennsylvania Outdoor Corps: A Decade of Impact

Among the accomplishments that the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) is celebrating in its 30th year is the creation of the Pennsylvania Outdoor Corps, which is marking its 10-year anniversary in 2025. What started as a pilot initiative with just five youth crews has now grown into a statewide program — so far engaging more than 1,500 young Pennsylvanians in hands-on conservation, workforce development, and community service.

A Workforce Development Legacy in Conservation

The Pennsylvania Outdoor Corps is a flagship initiative of DCNR, delivered in partnership with the [Department of Labor & Industry \(L&I\)](#), and with key support from the [Student Conservation Association \(SCA\)](#) and the [Pennsylvania Parks and Forests Foundation \(PPFF\)](#).

Since its inception, the corps has grown from a summer-only program for teens to adding on a 10-month workforce development platform for young adults, ages 18–25. In 2025 alone, 29 crews — including summer youth and 10-month young adult teams — are serving across the Commonwealth.

The Outdoor Corps is not just about conservation; it's about cultivating the next generation of environmental leaders and stewards. More than 60 Corps alumni have gone on to careers at DCNR, with more joining the ranks of the National Park Service, U.S. Forest Service, county conservation districts, and private land management firms. Recently, DCNR Secretary Cindy Adams Dunn and L&I Secretary Nancy Walker **visited with several Outdoor Corps crews at [Kings Gap Environmental Education Center](#)** in Cumberland County.

“The young people who participate in this program each year are our future leaders — in conservation and in public service,” said Secretary Dunn.

“Programs like the Pennsylvania Outdoor Corps are exactly what workforce development should look like: hands-on, community-focused, and future-driven,” said Secretary Walker. “By connecting young Pennsylvanians with real-world conservation work, we’re helping them build job skills and empowering them to see themselves as leaders and changemakers.”

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Pennsylvania Outdoor Corps: A Decade of Impact (continued)

By the Numbers: A Decade of Accomplishment

Over the past ten years, corps members have:

- Improved 1,049 acres of land
- Managed 894 miles of trails
- Improved 48 miles of waterways
- Built and maintained 1,104 structures
- Planted 19,685 trees and shrubs
- Collected over 30,000 ecological data points
- Earned more than 700 job-ready certifications

These are not just statistics — they represent real change in Pennsylvania’s parks, forests, and communities, and tangible skills gained by the young people involved.

Expanding Opportunities Through Strategic Investment

Thanks to the Governor’s [2024-25 bipartisan budget, \\$5 million was invested](#) to enhance and grow the program, supporting the hiring of additional staff and restructuring the program into a regional model to improve efficiency, expand recruitment, and strengthen community partnerships. Specialized crews, such as the American Sign Language and Cultural Resource teams, reflect the program’s ongoing commitment to inclusivity, community engagement, and heritage preservation.

This year’s 2025 crews include:

- 139 summer youth participants (ages 15–18)
- 63 young adults serving in 10-month crews across 11 locations

New crew locations in 2025 include **Lancaster, Lock Haven, Scranton, and Philadelphia**, further expanding the corps’ reach into underserved areas.

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Pennsylvania Outdoor Corps: A Decade of Impact (continued)

Building the Future of Conservation

The Pennsylvania Outdoor Corps mirrors the spirit of President Roosevelt's Civilian Conservation Corps — bringing meaningful work to young people while investing in the health of our public lands. Today, the corps also serves as a powerful tool to build equity and opportunity through:

- Job training and skill certification (chainsaw use, wildland firefighting, herbicide application, search and rescue)
- Workforce diversity initiatives
- Support for the outdoor recreation economy

Through targeted recruitment and intentional partnerships, the corps is connecting with more young people from diverse backgrounds, rural and urban communities alike — helping all Pennsylvanians see themselves as part of the conservation solution.

Looking Ahead

As the Outdoor Corps begins its second decade, the vision is clear: deepen the program's impact, remove barriers to employment, and build stronger connections between young people and careers in conservation.

We are especially grateful to the DCNR regional staff, crew leaders, SCA professionals, and community partners whose leadership and support make this work possible every day.

Together, we're building future conservation leaders.

Source: The Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR)

EPA Administrator Zeldin, VP Vance Tour Alta Refrigeration, Highlight EPA Action to Lower Costs for American Families

At a tour of Alta Refrigeration in Peachtree City, Georgia, with Vice President J.D. Vance, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator Lee Zeldin highlighted agency action to increase access to safe, available refrigeration inputs.

The Technology Transitions Rule, implemented by the Biden-Harris EPA, would, starting next year, require cold storage warehouses to use products like ammonia or carbon dioxide instead of more available alternatives. The rule also forces companies to use particular technologies for refrigerant systems, using substances like ammonia that are more toxic and flammable. The Technology Transitions Rule raises the cost of food at the grocery store, harms semiconductor manufacturing, and restricts Americans from being able to purchase affordable air conditioning systems for their homes.

EPA has a proposal at the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under interagency review reconsidering the Technology Transitions Rule. When EPA's reconsideration proposal clears interagency review, it will be released for public notice and comment.

"The Trump EPA is heeding the call of Alta Refrigeration, Georgians, and Americans across the country," said EPA Administrator Zeldin. "This proposal will fix the mistakes of the Technology Transitions Rule and deliver for hardworking individuals who are sick and tired of government failing to represent them."

Alta Refrigeration designs and installs industrial refrigeration systems and has been operating for 40 years and all their products are produced right here in the United States.

Background

On March 12, 2025, in the greatest and most consequential day of deregulation in the history of the United States, Administrator Zeldin announced the agency is reconsidering the Technology Transitions Rule.

From the campaign trail to Day One and beyond, President Trump has delivered on his promise to unleash American energy and lower the cost of living for Americans. EPA's regulations are a large part of this equation. In reconsidering the Technology Transitions Rule related to refrigeration systems, EPA is prioritizing protecting the environment with a commonsense approach.

Source: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

EPA, state and local leaders celebrate Brownfields Grant for redevelopment in Brunswick, Darien and Statesboro

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), state and local leaders celebrated a \$1.2 million Brownfields Assessment Coalition Grant to the Coastal Regional Commission of Georgia for redevelopment projects in Brunswick, Darien and Statesboro.

“Georgia’s coastal communities have so much redevelopment potential, and it is a priority of this administration to support communities in cleaning up and redeveloping properties that can be transformed into something special,” **said EPA Region 4 Administrator Kevin McOmber**. “The Brownfields Assessment Coalition Grant is a starting point for projects like the Brunswick Shipyard, a site used during World War II for shipbuilding. This site, once cleanup is complete, will again benefit the community and the economy.”

“EPA’s grant funding will allow the Coastal Regional Commission and its coalition members to better position brownfield properties towards reuse and redevelopment,” **said Georgia Environmental Protection Division Director Jeff Cown**. “This will revitalize the local economies and ultimately improve the lives of those in the most rural areas of Georgia.”

“We recognize the innovation and industrial ingenuity of yester-years,” **said Coastal Regional Commission of Georgia Executive Director Dionne Lovett**. “However, as older commercial and industrial sites outlive their useful purpose, they are often left abandoned for fear of lingering contamination. Abandoned sites can be dangerous or become eyesores in our communities. This Brownfields Coalition Assessment Grant allows us to reassess when feasible, remediate where possible and provide opportunities for reuse or redevelopment of abandoned sites into useful spaces in our communities.”

“This grant will help revitalize the City of Brunswick by funding environmental assessments of contaminated properties, potentially leading to new jobs, economic development, and improved public health,” **said Brunswick Mayor Cosby H. Johnson**.

The Coastal Regional Commission of Georgia will lead the Brownfields Assessment Coalition Grant to conduct 20 Phase I and 15 Phase II environmental site assessments. Funds also will be used to support reuse assessment, planning and community engagement activities. Priority sites include Brunswick Shipyard, an abandoned shipyard with historical significance, a 152-acre former chemical plant that closed in 2023, a former shopping center that closed in 2018 and a former dry cleaner that closed in the 1970s.

BACKGROUND:

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, Tribal Nations, communities and other stakeholders to work together to assess, safely clean up and sustainably reuse brownfield sites. A brownfield site is a property that cannot be redeveloped to its full potential because of the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant or contaminant.

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EPA, state and local leaders celebrate Brownfields Grant for redevelopment in Brunswick, Darien and Statesboro (continued)

The Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act of 2002, as amended by the Brownfields Utilization, Investment and Local Development Act of 2018, helps states and communities around the country clean up and revitalize brownfield sites. Under this law, EPA provides financial assistance through five competitive grant programs: Multipurpose Grants, Assessment Grants, Revolving Loan Fund Grants, Cleanup Grants and Job Training Grants.

Source: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA),

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ICYMI: Shapiro Administration Investments Advance Trail Connections in South Bethlehem and Rothrock State Forest, Strengthening Pennsylvania's Outdoor Recreation Economy

The Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) has a goal of a trail within 10 minutes of every Pennsylvanian to connect people to the physical and mental health benefits of the outdoors.

Investing in trails is a part of DCNR's strategic efforts to help grow the outdoor economy.

"It really makes you feel connected within the community. And so there is a magic to trails that that is really transformative for communities."

July 30, 2025

The **Shapiro Administration** continues to deliver on its commitment to grow Pennsylvania's outdoor recreation economy, improve access to public lands, and close critical trail gaps across the Commonwealth.

As part of a statewide goal to ensure every Pennsylvanian lives within 10 minutes of a trail, the **Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR)** is investing in strategic projects that expand trail access, connect communities, and drive economic growth.

Last week, **DCNR Deputy Secretary Claire Jantz** joined officials in Bethlehem to celebrate full funding for the final phase of the **South Bethlehem Greenway** — a project that will create **14 miles of contiguous trail**, improve connectivity across the Lehigh Valley, and close one of Pennsylvania's Top 10 Trail Gaps. The Greenway expansion is supported by **\$1.8 million in DCNR investments**, including a **\$500,000 C2P2 grant** **Governor Josh Shapiro** announced in 2023 to assist with land acquisition linking the Greenway to the Saucon Rail Trail. This project reflects DCNR's commitment to building vibrant, connected communities through outdoor infrastructure.

Earlier this month, **DCNR Secretary Cindy Adams Dunn** joined trail volunteers and local leaders to open the first **7.5-mile stretch of the new Musser Gap Trail in Rothrock State Forest** — a major step toward creating a 50-mile network of sustainable trails across Centre and Huntingdon counties. DCNR has invested **\$2.4 million** in land acquisition, trail development, and the trail extension.

Source: The Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR)

Shapiro Administration Awards Over \$7 Million to 35 Well Plugging Projects Focused on Reducing Methane Emissions, Creating Jobs, and Supporting Small Businesses Across Pennsylvania

The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) has awarded **\$7,240,000** to **35** Marginal Conventional Well (MCW) plugging projects — covering **329 wells** — across the Commonwealth through the [Methane Emissions Reduction Program \(MERP\)](#).

“Methane is an extremely prevalent greenhouse gas, driving climate change and threatening the public health of our communities,” said **DEP Secretary Jessica Shirley**. “By reducing methane emissions from unproductive wells, we are both lowering the state’s contribution to the gases causing devastating climate impacts globally and preventing potentially dangerous gas leakages and backflow pollution of watersheds and groundwaters in and around communities across the Commonwealth. The Shapiro Administration has made historic progress, plugging more orphan and abandoned wells than were plugged in the past decade combined — and this new investment will build on that strong track record.”

The federal Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) provided new opportunities and funding to reduce methane emissions from the petroleum and natural gas sector and DEP created the MERP Grant to provide funding to applicants to plug an eligible MCWs.

MCWs are defined as conventional oil and/or gas wells that produce less than 15 barrels of oil equivalent (BOE, i.e. 15bbl/day oil or 90,000 cubic feet (90 mcf) of gas/day or combination thereof).

Through MERP:

- DEP provides funding up to \$420,000 for any single applicant within each application period;
- \$20,000 for each eligible well plugged that is a marginal conventional well of a depth of 3,000 feet or less or the actual cost of the qualified well plugger to plug the well, whichever is less;
- \$35,000 for each eligible well plugged that is a marginal conventional well of a depth greater than 3,000 feet or the actual cost of the qualified well plugger to plug the well, whichever is less;
- Or to an eligible applicant who plugs all eligible wells approved to plug as part of the application submitted to the Department, may plug additional eligible wells with prior Department approval up to the maximum grant approved as part of the application.

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Shapiro Administration Awards Over \$7 Million to 35 Well Plugging Projects Focused on Reducing Methane Emissions, Creating Jobs, and Supporting Small Businesses Across Pennsylvania (continued)

In order to be eligible, applying operators had to be in compliance with statutory and regulatory requirements, including those related to the submission of well production, waste, and mechanical integrity assessment reports to DEP, and provide identification of whether methane emissions were detected at each eligible well. If screenings indicated that methane was detected, grant recipients are required to measure pre-plugging and post-plugging emissions.

Wells that are not leaking a detectable level of methane are also included in the program since a well that is not currently leaking methane will eventually leak as materials break down over time. Non-leaking marginal conventional wells that are plugged today represent future methane emissions prevented.

Projects receiving funding include:

Armstrong County

- \$20,000 to one project to plug 1 well

Beaver County

- \$40,000 to one project to plug 2 wells

Clarion County

- \$55,000 to one project to plug 2 wells

Clearfield County

- \$105,000 to two projects to plug 3 wells

Erie County

- \$805,000 to three projects to plug 26 wells

Forest County

- \$380,000 to one project to plug 19 wells

Indiana County

- \$280,000 to one project to plug 14 wells

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Shapiro Administration Awards Over \$7 Million to 35 Well Plugging Projects Focused on Reducing Methane Emissions, Creating Jobs, and Supporting Small Businesses Across Pennsylvania (continued)

McKean County

- \$1,240,000 to six projects to plug 62 wells

Potter County

- \$780,000 to three projects to plug 39 wells

Tioga County

- \$20,000 to one project to plug 1 well

Venango County

- \$1,340,000 to five projects to plug 67 wells

Warren County

- \$1,100,000 to five projects to plug 52 wells

Westmoreland County

- \$125,000 to one project to plug 4 wells

Multi-County Awards

- \$340,000 to plug 17 wells (Armstrong, Clarion, Clearfield, Elk, Jefferson)
- \$135,000 to plug 6 wells (Clarion, Erie)
- \$140,000 to plug 4 wells (Clarion, Indiana)
- \$335,000 to plug 10 wells (Westmoreland, Armstrong, Clearfield, Indiana Erie)

Source: The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)

Skywalk at Kinzua Bridge State Park in the Pennsylvania Wilds to Reopen for Fall Foliage Viewing

For fall leaf viewing season, the Skywalk and trail are scheduled to open from August 8 through October 31, 2025.

The **Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR)** announced that one of Pennsylvania's iconic fall destinations in the Pennsylvania Wilds — the [Skywalk at Kinzua Bridge State Park](#) — will temporarily reopen beginning August 8, giving visitors a chance to experience breathtaking views of the Kinzua Valley at peak leaf-peeping season.

The park's world-class, interactive visitor center and PA Wilds Conservation Gift Shop remain open year-round, while the Skywalk and Kinzua Creek Trail have been closed for ongoing viaduct rehabilitation.

For fall leaf viewing season, the Skywalk and trail are scheduled to open from August 8 through October 31, 2025. After that, both areas will close again so contractors can resume work on the structure. A second temporary reopening is already planned for Fall 2026.

"Fall in the Pennsylvania Wilds is simply magical, and we're thrilled to welcome visitors back to one of the most unforgettable viewpoints in the state," said **State Parks Director John Hallas**. "We also want to remind those looking to visit the region that nearby [Bendigo State Park](#), [Elk State Park](#), and [Elk State Forest](#) lands are great places to experience the natural beauty of the Pennsylvania Wilds and can be combined with a visit to the Kinzua Bridge visitor center as work to rehabilitate the Skywalk continues. We thank the public for its cooperation during the scheduled work."

Kinzua Bridge State Park offers visitors a unique opportunity to walk out and peer down for stunning views of the Kinzua Valley on a viaduct that was reimagined as a skywalk after being partially toppled by a tornado.

Fall is the park's busiest season, and parking fills quickly — especially on weekends. Visitors are encouraged to come midweek and arrive early. Once parking capacity is reached, no additional vehicles will be allowed in, and roadside parking is prohibited unless posted otherwise for safety.

"The Skywalk is a star attraction in the Pennsylvania Wilds, and it attracts tens of thousands of visitors a year to this rural place," said **Ta Enos, CEO of the nonprofit PA Wilds Center for Entrepreneurship**. "Fall leaf peeping season is an especially busy time, and local small businesses count on that tourism revenue from travelers who come to see the spectacular view. DCNR understands how much communities and small businesses rely on the park's foot traffic, and we appreciate them temporarily halting the maintenance during the vital fall foliage season."

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Skywalk at Kinzua Bridge State Park in the Pennsylvania Wilds to Reopen for Fall Foliage Viewing (continued)

“Kinzua Bridge State Park is also the home of our flagship PA Wilds Conservation Shop, a mission-driven gift shop that helps improve market access for rural entrepreneurs by sourcing 90 percent of its inventory from rural small businesses in the 13-county PA Wilds region, while also accomplishing other mission points. These shops allow visitors to ‘take home a piece of the wilds’ while ensuring that shoppers can find unique, handcrafted items and that local entrepreneurs reach a larger customer base.”

Through the [Pennsylvania: The Great American Getaway](#) campaign and [DCNR’s “Still Open. Still Awesome.”](#) initiative, Pennsylvania is welcoming residents and visitors alike to explore its 124 state parks, 2.2 million acres of forestland, and more than 7,000 campsites — offering affordable, accessible, and unforgettable outdoor experiences for everyone. As DCNR marks its 30th anniversary in 2025, the Shapiro Administration remains focused on delivering safe, welcoming, and well-maintained public lands for all.

Since day one, **Governor Josh Shapiro** has made [strategic investments](#) to elevate outdoor recreation, transforming it into a cornerstone of Pennsylvania's economy and communities. These efforts are driving economic growth, fostering entrepreneurial opportunities, and creating jobs across the Commonwealth.

In 2023, Pennsylvania's outdoor recreation industry contributed **\$19 billion** to the state’s economy — a **10 percent increase** over the previous year — and now represents 2 percent of the Commonwealth’s gross domestic product. According to the [U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis](#), the industry now supports more than 168,000 jobs that provide \$9 billion in wages and salaries to Pennsylvanians.

Visit [DCNR’s website](#) for more information about Pennsylvania’s 124 state parks, and check out DCNR’s [Calendar of Events](#) for events on public lands.

Source: The **Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR)**