



## Celebrating 2021's River of the Year



In June, paddlers gathered at Riverside Park in Greenville, PA to celebrate the Shenango River as 2021's **River of the Year**. The sojourn was hosted by the nominating organization, the **Shenango River Watchers**.

[Watch](#)

## An Updated Plan for PA's Forests



In August, Pennsylvania released its updated **State Forest Action Plan**. A requirement of the federal Farm Bill, **these plans** are completed by all U.S. states and territories every ten years to assess the condition of their forests and guide future management. This is Pennsylvania's first comprehensive revision to the initial 2010 plan.

Read more [here](#).

## A Key Opportunity for Beaver County

**Riverwise**, along with the **Ohio River Trail Council**, are currently midway through a **campaign** aimed at the preservation of a potential key piece of trail infrastructure in Beaver County known as the Blacks Run Bridge.

**Learn more** about the bridge and trail efforts in Beaver County [here](#).



## More from the PEC Blog\_\_

- [Exploring the WB&E Route](#)
- [Getting Their Feet Wet](#)

## Policy Update

The Pennsylvania House of Representatives may soon vote to block action on what may be Pennsylvania's best shot at addressing climate change. Specifically, the legislature would be considering a resolution that prohibits the state Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) from finalizing a rulemaking to require reductions in emissions of carbon dioxide (CO2) from the electric generation sector.

**We are asking you to contact your state representative to tell them that you want to see the state address climate change, and that you do not want to see the General Assembly block current efforts by DEP to reduce carbon dioxide emissions.**



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## RSVP for the 51st Environmental Partnership Dinner

You Are Invited ...

# 51st

ENVIRONMENTAL PARTNERSHIP DINNER  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

November 3, 2021



Join us on November 3, 2021 for the 51st Environmental Partnership Dinner as we pay tribute to those who have demonstrated a commitment to environmental excellence, leadership, and accomplishment.

*As we head back to in-person events and responses to COVID-19 continue to evolve, PEC will be monitoring guidance from the CDC and others in order to have appropriate safety protocols in place at our events.*

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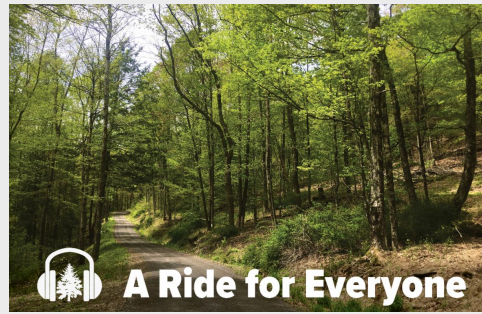
## Pennsylvania Legacies



### The Aftermath

Two weeks after the floodwaters from Hurricane Ida receded, we look at conditions along the Schuylkill River Trail with representatives from the City of Philadelphia and the Schuylkill River Greenways National Heritage Area.

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### A Ride for Everyone

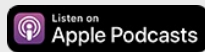
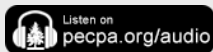
We celebrate Pennsylvania Trails Month with a preview of this year's PEC Public Lands Ride and the 11th annual PEC Environment Ride.

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## Press Releases

**PEC Receives \$50,000 from Appalachian Regional Commission's POWER Initiative**

Part of a nearly \$46.4 million award package, the NE PA trail connectivity assessment will assess the feasibility of reconnecting former coal communities by converting abandoned rail corridors into trails in northeast Pennsylvania. Learn more [here](#).



## Northeast Environmental Partners Announce Award Recipients

The 31st Annual Evening for Northeast Pennsylvania's Environment will be held virtually this year on Wednesday, November 10, 2021. Learn more [here](#).

## PEC in the News

- **What in the world is the Susquehanna River Water Trail?**
- **Great Allegheny Passage Relay returns to the actual trail**
- **Black's Run Bridge acquisition could connect Beaver County to national trail network**
- **Largest U.S. aluminum producer releases net-zero plan**



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