

The people have a right to clean air,
pure water, and to the
preservation of natural, scenic,
historic, and aesthetic values
of the environment.

Pennsylvania's public natural resources
are the common property
of all the people including
generations yet to come.

As trustee of these resources,
the Commonwealth shall conserve
and maintain them
for the benefit of all the people.

*~ Article I, Section 27
Pennsylvania Constitution*

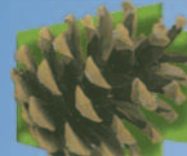


Indian Head at Perkiomen Creek



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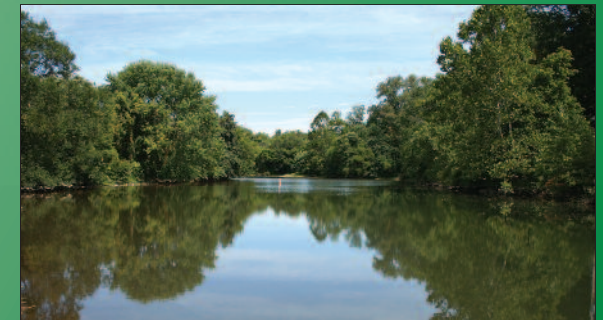
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**LITIGATING FOR OUR
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DEFENSE FOUNDATION**
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The Pennsylvania Environmental Defense Foundation (PEDF) helps Pennsylvanians exercise their right to a clean environment.

What we do...

- Litigate to protect the environment, thus protecting public health and safety.
- Assist citizens in taking legal action to protect their environment.
- Support organizations in their efforts to protect and enhance the environment.
- Take legal action when other organizations are reluctant to do so.
- Donate all settlement money to local organizations committed to improving the environment. \$2 Million has been donated as of 2011.
- Educate citizens about their rights under environmental laws.
- Spend less than 3% of revenue on administrative costs.



Garges Road Bridge over the East Branch of Perkiomen Creek

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

PEDF has set precedents in environmental law and initiated over 125 legal actions with a 96% success rate.

- **Perkiomen Creek Bucks & Montgomery Counties**
PEDF required permit violators to comply with regulations and to pay for stream improvement projects coordinated by a local watershed group, resulting in significantly improved water quality. The group has also established a successful public environmental education program.
- **Clarks Creek Dauphin County**
PEDF took the first legal action in the state on regulating water withdrawals from a stream, thereby setting statewide precedent.
- **Spring Creek Centre County**
PEDF initiated numerous actions against state agencies and sewage authorities that significantly improved water quality. Settlement proceeds donated to local Trout Unlimited chapter for habitat improvement.
- **Pine Creek Tioga & Lycoming Counties**
PEDF set up a trust fund with damages from a coal operation. The fund has committed over \$750,000 to mitigate mine acid discharges in the watershed.
- **Chartiers Creek Washington & Allegheny Counties**
PEDF took actions against numerous polluters. Settlement funded work on a marsh to mitigate acid mine drainage and to sustain an ongoing internship focused on water quality improvement.

For more examples visit www.pedf.org

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The PEDF ribbon cutting ceremony celebrating Babb Creek's removal from EPA's list of impaired waterways in early 2010. Fourteen miles of Babb Creek are no longer impacted by acid mine drainage



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- Individual \$35
- Family \$50
- Non-Profit Organization \$100
- For-Profit Organization \$200
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PA Fish & Boat Commission conducting a stream survey of Babb Creek