Cindy Adams Dunn, Secretary, Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources



Cindy Adams Dunn has served as secretary of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) for the past seven years; upon her appointment by Governor Wolf, she returned to the agency where she worked under three governors in multiple positions over the last two decades. Cindy has helped position Pennsylvania as a leader in land conservation, outdoor recreation, green practices and public land management. During her tenure, the department created the Pennsylvania Outdoor Corps to connect youth and young adults with job opportunities relating to the outdoors and the environment; advanced water quality initiatives within the Chesapeake Bay and across the Commonwealth through investments in conservation, buffer plantings, and restoration; advanced mitigation and adaptation best practices related to climate change; managed the highest visitations at state parks and forests; and received historical levels of funding to address the growing conservation and recreation needs of the Commonwealth.