# **CWIP: Milestone Discussion**

Jill Whitcomb, PA DEP, Steering Committee Co-chair

- CWIP Milestone Commitments will be due to EPA by January 15, 2022.
- ► This includes Programmatic and Numeric Milestone Commitments.
- ► Begin discussion of what the Steering Committee would want to include in the 2-year milestone commitments.

- ► Should be actionable and measurable
- Should be able to report progress in an efficient and effective manner
- May include beyond the 2-year period include "ongoing" strategies, not just those that are specific to this time frame
- Documents are publicly accessible and will be used to determine rate of progress toward the goal of 6 million pounds of nitrogen reduction
- Determine if we should have a more "user-friendly" narrative that goes along with the commitments (Communications Workgroup assistance?)

- Questions to be asked and deliberated by the Steering Committee and CWP for Programmatic Milestones:
  - ► What are the high-level priority initiatives? (e.g. Communications/Outreach, Funding and Resources, Reporting and Tracking, etc.)
  - ▶ What specifically can we achieve during this period?
  - ▶ What are the performance targets / metrics?
  - ▶ Who are the responsible parties/partnerships?
  - ► What is the geographic location?
  - ▶ What is the expected timeline?
  - ► What are the potential implementation challenges or recommendations?
  - ▶ What resources are available?
  - ▶ What resources are needed?

- Questions to be asked and deliberated by the Steering Committee and CWP for Numeric Milestones:
  - ► Which BMPs will the numeric milestones focus on? What is the expectation from EPA?
  - ► Identify how we will show the trajectory
  - Link Action Items from the Programmatic Milestones to each BMP identified in Numeric Milestones to show connection.

# Next Steps

- ▶ Begin to identify the main priority initiatives (buckets) throughout the CWIP
- Begin to identify actionable items for the next two-year period based on the CWIP
- ▶ Begin to identify the key parties/partners
- Begin laying out trajectory and annual targets for BMP implementation for numeric progress
- Provide the basic programmatic and numeric milestone documents with some of these areas filled in for Committee deliberation at September 2021 Steering Committee meeting