

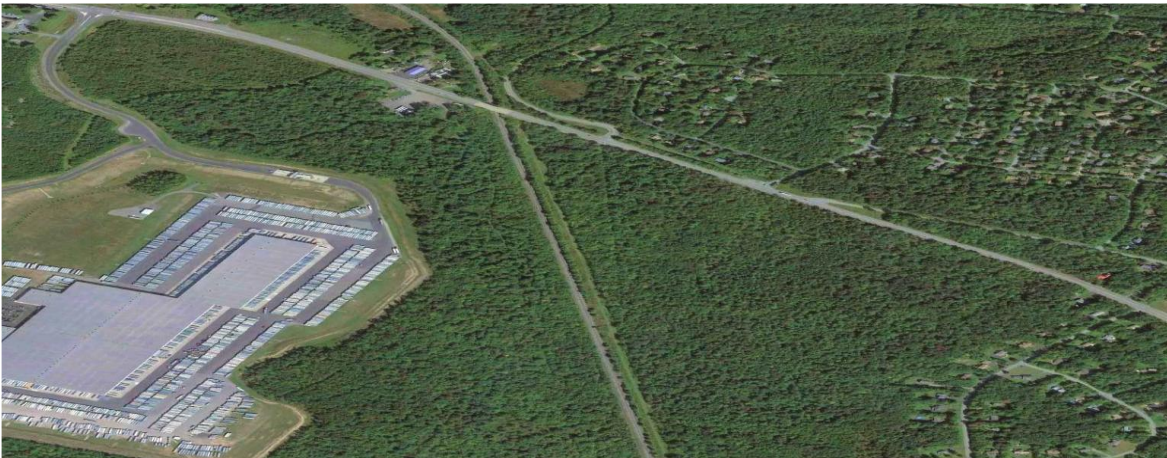
DEP PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The PA Department of Environmental Protection will hold a public hearing to accept additional comments on the documentation and plans associated with the Water Obstruction and Encroachment Joint Permit Application No. E4502224-007 for the following receiving watercourses: Hawkey Run (HQ-CWF, MF) Duck Puddle Run (HQ-CWF, MF) EV wetlands. *The public hearing will be conducted on Tuesday, December 17, 2024 from 6:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m. at the Tobyhanna Elementary Center, 398 Old Rte. 940, Pocono Pines, PA 18350.*

The Department requests that individuals wishing to testify at the hearing submit a written notice of intent to Colleen Connolly, Community Relations Coordinator at: coconnolly@pa.gov. The Department will accept requests up to the day of the hearing. The Department requests that individuals limit their testimony to 5 minutes so that all individuals have the opportunity to testify. Comments need to be on the proposed sanitary sewer route through sensitive wetland and stream areas.

Property Details:

Pocono Mountain Corporate Center North, Lot 1, Developer – Orchard BJK of Reading PA, 309,000SF Distribution Center, land will be purchased from / Pocono Mountain Industries, associated with Pocono Mountains Economic Development Corporation which is State and County funded.



Tobyhanna Walmart Distribution Center (left) / The triangle property is PMCCN (lot 1& lot 2) Lexington Woods (bottom right) / Pocono Farms (top right)

Help protect this incredible wild mature black spruce forest, wetland and stream system. Duck Puddle Run stream and the surrounding wetlands are supposed to receive the highest level of protection from degradation, yet they are now threatened by this proposed construction project.

In addition to jeopardizing the water quality of our EV and HQ waters in Monroe County by dramatically changing the landscape and increasing impervious surface and polluted runoff, over development of Distribution Centers are threatening the health and safety of our communities through increased tractor trailer traffic, air quality concerns, noise and lighting impacts, just to name a few.

Tell DEP that you support the denial of permits that do not protect our waters! Attend the public hearing on Tuesday, December 17, 2024 from 6:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m. at the Tobyhanna Elementary Center, 398 Old Rte. 940, Pocono Pines, PA 18350!