

In light of the flooding events that have occurred in Pennsylvania in recent weeks and months, we wanted to make you aware of several funding opportunities related to restoration and recovery that have come to our attention.

Streambank Restoration and Recovery – Deadline October 15

Last week, CCAP learned that Gov. Wolf has announced the availability of \$6.25 million for streambank restoration and recovery efforts for local communities in those areas that have been hit particularly hard. The federal NRCS will provide 75 percent of restoration funding, with DEP has been directed to use the \$6.25 million to provide the required 25 percent cost-share for the projects, so that they will be available at no cost to local governments. Applications will be accepted by the NRCS until **October 15, 2018**, and is available for **Berks, Bradford, Chester, Columbia, Dauphin, Lackawanna, Lancaster, Lebanon, Luzerne, Lycoming, Montour, Northampton, Schuylkill, Sullivan, Susquehanna, Wayne, and Wyoming counties** for the flooding events that occurred in summer 2018.

Additional details are available in the Governor's [press release](#), and interested local governments can reach out to their local NRCS office or can contact Bill Kcenich in DEP's Bureau of Waterways Engineering and Wetlands at 717-783-0369 for assistance in navigating the process.

Section 504 Home Repair Program - Ongoing

Second, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, reached out to us with a reminder that the Section 504 Home Repair program is available to provide loans to very low income homeowners to repair, improve or modernize their homes, or grants to elderly very low income homeowners to remove health and safety hazards. While this is not a disaster relief program specifically, this is regularly available funding that can be especially beneficial at times like these for those counties that have experienced extensive damage from recent weather events. Additional information can be found at <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/single-family-housing-repair-loans-grants>.