

## Lackawanna County Regional Planning Commission

# Annual Report 2007

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Department of Planning and Economic Development

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#### 2007 Planning Commission Board

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#### 2007 Planning Department Staff

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## Act 247 (Municipalities Planning Code) & Land-Use Planning in Pennsylvania

In Pennsylvania, the power and responsibility to plan for land-use and its regulation lies exclusively with local government, including counties. However, city, borough, and township regulations act as a "repeal protanto" of any county regulations. In other words, a local municipal ordinance negates a county ordinance within the jurisdiction of the municipality.

#### Comprehensive Plans

A comprehensive plan is a general policy guide for the physical development of a county, region, or municipality. Article III of Act 247 mandates that every county develop a comprehensive plan and review and update same every ten years.

#### County Comprehensive Plan

The Lackawanna and Luzerne County Commissioners, in conjunction with both county planning departments, have begun the process of developing and implementing a Bi-County Comprehensive, Long-Range Transportation Plan, and Hazard Mitigation Plan. The project is being funded by state and local monies. McCormick-Taylor of Philadephia has been chosen as the consultant to head the anticipated 22-month project. The consultant team also consists of Borton-Lawson of Wilkes-Barre, Ceco Associates of Scranton, and Vision Planning of Columbia, Maryland. See Page 13 for additional information on the bi-county plans.

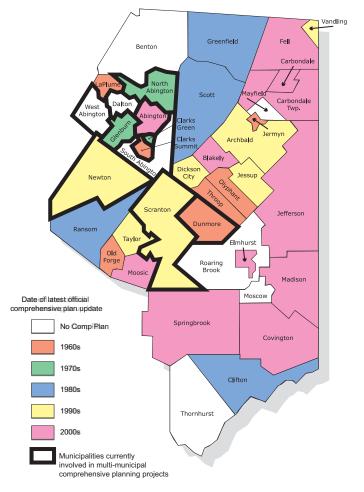
#### Local and Regional Comprehensive Plans

Thirty-two (32) of the county's 40 municipalities have developed comprehensive plans. In addition, eleven (11) municipalities are currently involved in one (1) regional comprehensive planning project

#### Scranton-Abingtons Planning Association

Eleven county municipalities (11) have formed the Scranton-Abingtons Planning Association (SAPA). Together, these municipalities comprise 50% of the county's population and 20% of the land area. The SAPA group has also hired the consulting firm, McCormick-Taylor, and is working closely with the Bi-County Plan. The LCRPC passed a resolution pledging support to SAPA's regional planning efforts.

#### Municipal Comprehensive Plans Adopted



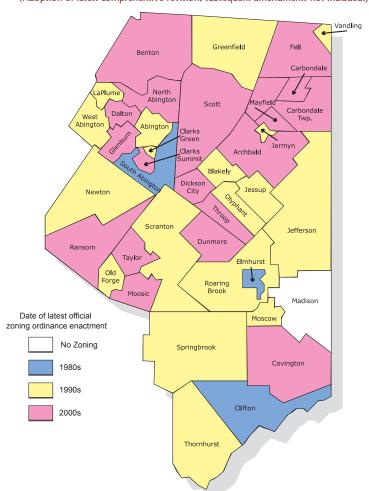
#### Zoning

Zoning is a method to regulate the use of land and structures, designed to protect health, safety, and welfare and to guide growth. Article VI of Act 247 governs the implementation of zoning ordinances in the Commonwealth. There is no county zoning ordinance. Thirty-nine (39) of the county's 40 municipalities have local zoning regulations in effect. The fortieth is currently working on the implementation of a zoning ordinance.

#### Subdivision and Land Development

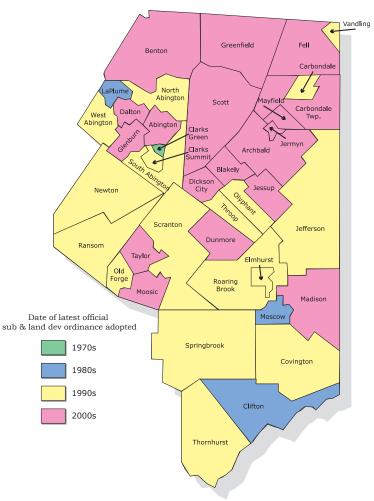
A subdivision and land development ordinance is a law requiring the review and approval of plot and site plans, and specifying criteria on how to develop land. Subdivisions entail the creation, re-location, or removal of property lines and the development of new roads and infrastructure, such as sewer, water, and other utility lines and facilities. Land developments involve the construction of multi-family dwellings; commercial, professional, or industrial facilities; schools; and other public buildings and community facilities, such as hospitals, fire stations, and government buildings. Article V of Act 247 governs the implementation of subdivision and land development ordinances in the Commonwealth. There is no county subdivision and land development ordinance. All forty (40) of the county's municipalities have local subdivision and land development ordinances in effect.

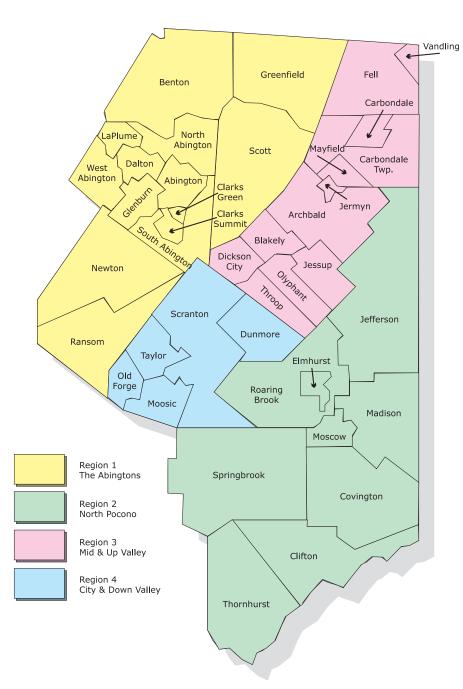
Municipal Zoning Ordinances Adopted (Adoption of latest comprehensive revision; subsequent amendments not included.)



### Municipal Subdivision & Land Development Ordinances Adopted

(Adoption of latest comprehensive revision; subsequent amendments not included.)





The LCRPC has designated four planning regions within the county for the analysis of subdivision and land development activity. These regions are based on socio-economic and physical-landscape similarities.

#### Region 1 (The Abingtons)

Municipalities: 14 School Districts: 2.5

2006 Est. Population: 34,958

Square Miles: 156

#### Region 2 (North Pocono)

Municipalities: 9 School Districts: 1

2006 Est. Population: 17,501

Square Miles: 179.2

#### Region 3 (Mid & Up Valley)

Municipalities: 12 School Districts: 4.5

2006 Est. Population: 49,926

Square Miles: 79.6

#### Region 4 (City & Down Valley)

Municipalities: 5 School Districts: 4

2006 Est. Population: 107,343

Square Miles: 49.4

Total Reviews	213
Lots Subdivided/Developed	1,024
Acres Subdivided/Developed	5,057
New Roads	13.17 mile:
Review Fees	\$31 794

Article V of Act 247 mandates that all proposed subdivisions and land developments be reviewed for comments and concerns by county planning agencies at least 30 days prior to any municipality taking official action thereon.

During 2007, the LCRPC reviewed 213 submittals, 12 less than 2006. Lots plotted or proposed for development numbered 1,024; nonresidential buildings created 3,376,852 square feet of new floor area; and 5,057 acres were affected.

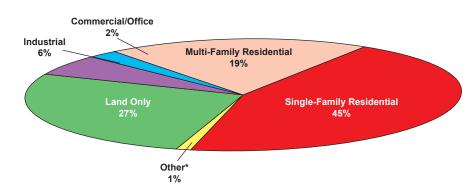
A breakdown by Planning Region showed that Region 2, North Pocono, accounted for 36% of the lots/ units created and 50% of the acreage affected.

Of the 213 submittals, 152 were minor subdivisions (less than 5 lots), 14 major subdivisions, and 47 land developments. The following municipalities had no submissions: Jermyn, LaPlume, Thornhurst, and West Abington.

Single-family residential development accounted for 45% of the total lots/units while land-only subdivisions accounted for 43% of the acreage. On the opposite end, "other-type" development accounted for only 1% of the lots, while multi-family, commercial, and "other-type" development amounted to only a combined 3% of the acreage.

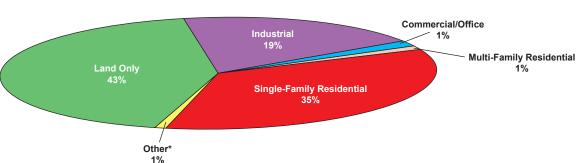
The largest developments in the county proposed in 2007 were Summit Woods, 193 lots in Roaring Brook Twp; Morgan Manor Apartments, 98 units in Scranton; Deer Valley Estates, 52 lots in Clifton Twp; Glenmaura Commons Sections 3 & 4, 40 units in Moosic; and Archbald Subdivision, 40 industrial lots in Archbald.

\*Other development types include institutional, educational, public municipal & non-municipal, religious, and public services & utilities.



#### Development by Lots/Units

	Lots/Units	Percent
Single-Family Residential	456	45%
Multi-Family Residential	199	19%
Commercial/Office	23	2%
Industrial	59	6%
Land Only	278	27%
Other*	9	1%
	1,024	100%



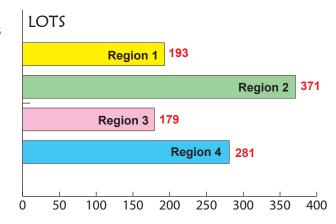
#### Development by Acres

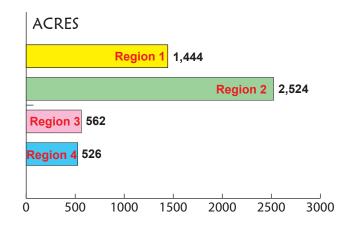
	Acres	Percent
Single-Family Residential	1774	35%
Multi-Family Residential	65	1%
Commercial/Office	73	1%
Industrial	943	19%
Land Only	2166	43%
Other*	35	1%
	5,057	100%

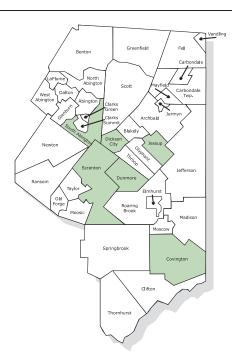
PROPOSED SUBDIVISIONS AND LAND DEVELOPMENTS BY PLANNING REGIONS

#### Regions

- 1 The Abingtons
- 2 North Pocono
- 3 Mid & Up Valley
- 4 City & Down Valley





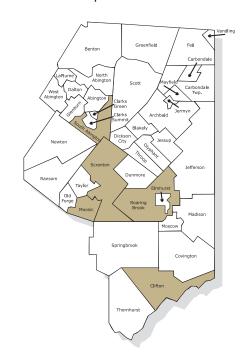


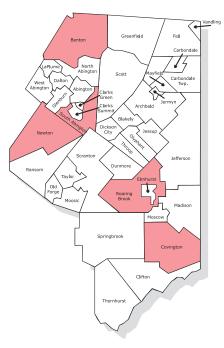
#### Most Submissions

Scranton City	27
Covington Twp	18
Jessup Borough	13
South Abington Twp	12
Dickson City Borough	11
Dunmore Borough	11

## Most Lots/Units Subdivided/Developed

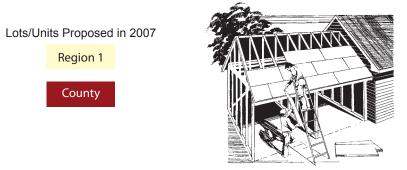
Roaring Brook Twp	195
Scranton City	171
Moosic Borough	57
South Abington Twp	56
Clifton Twp	54



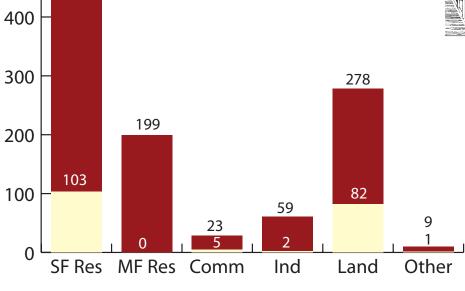


#### Most Acres Subdivided/Developed

Covington Twp	999
Roaring Brook Twp	850
Newton Twp	388
South Abington Twp	341
Benton Twp	274



Total Reviews	53
Lots	193
Acres	1,444
New Roads	1.53 m

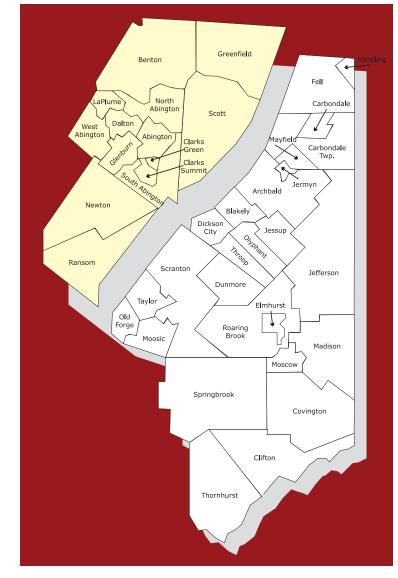


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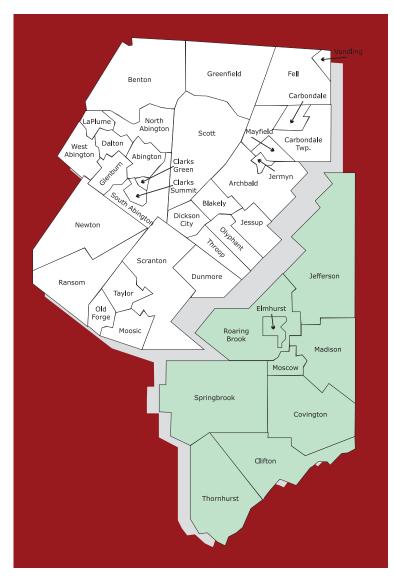
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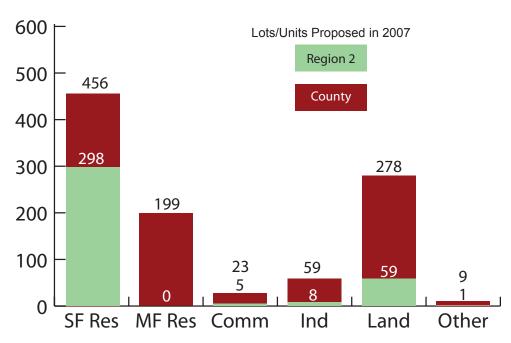
	Subs	Lots	Acres
Abington	2	3	4
Benton	7	45	274
Clarks Green	1	2	4
Clarks Summit	3	6	1
Dalton	3	22	32
Glenburn	2	5	7
Greenfield	3	6	191
LaPlume	0	0	0
Newton	7	26	388
North Abington	2	4	25
Ransom	3	5	148
Scott	8	13	30
South Abington	12	56	341
West Abington	0	0	0
Totals	53	193	1,444



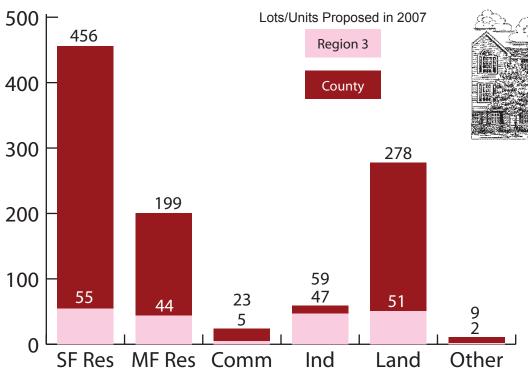
Total Reviews	49
Lots	371
Acres	2,524
New Roads	6.59 mi







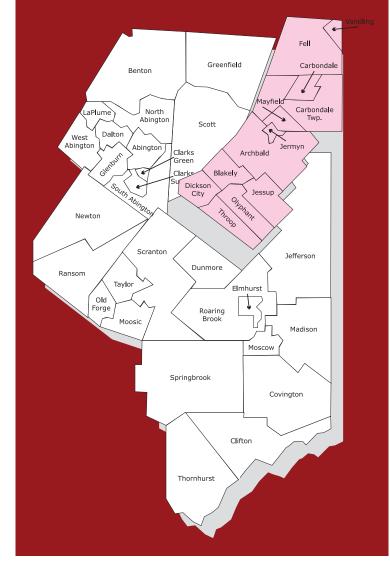
	Subs	Lots	Acres
Clifton	2	54	119
Covington	18	50	999
Elmhurst	1	2	30
Jefferson	10	22	217
Madison	7	19	99
Moscow	1	9	4
Roaring Brook	2	195	850
Spring Brook	8	20	207
Thornhurst	0	0	0
Totals	49	371	2,524



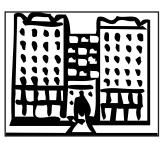
	Subs	Lots	Acres
Archbald	8	51	251
Blakely	3	14	4
Carbondale City	5	7	4
Carbondale Twp	3	6	3
Dickson City	11	19	10
Fell	1	2	3
Jermyn	0	0	0
Jessup	13	31	258
Mayfield	1	2	<1
Olyphant	4	21	18
Throop	3	23	5
Vandling	1	3	7
Totals	53	204	562

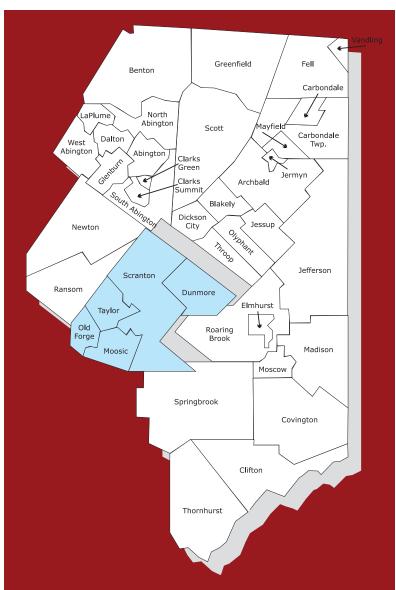


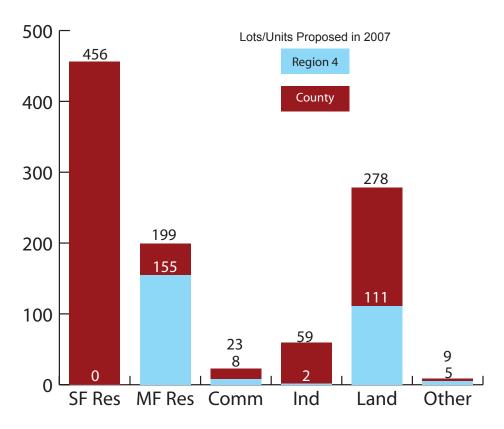
Total Reviews	53
Lots	204
Acres	562
New Roads	4.66 mi



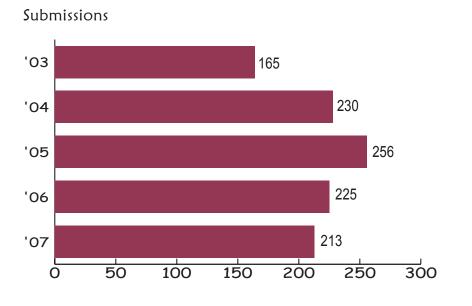
Total Reviews	58
Lots	281
Acres	526
New Roads	0.39 mi

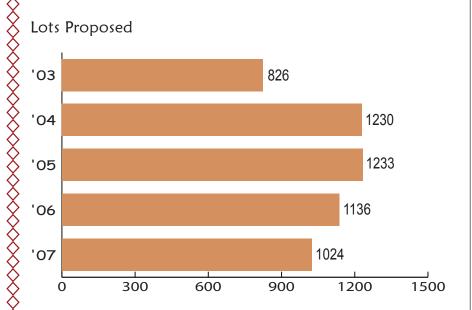


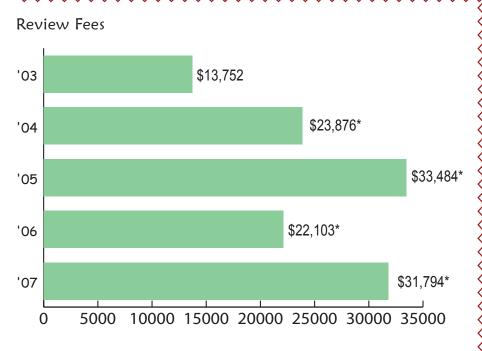


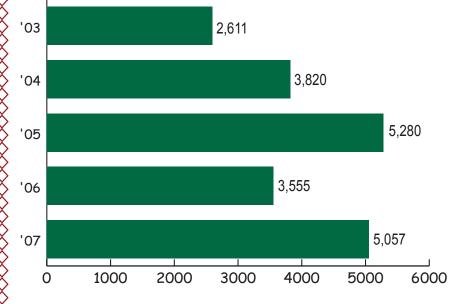


	Subs	Lots	Acres
Dunmore	11	20	73
Moosic	10	57	192
Old Forge	6	22	4
Scranton	27	171	252
Taylor	4	11	5
Totals	58	281	526









Acres Affected

<sup>\*</sup>The LCRPC implemented an increase in review fees on March 9, 2004.

The Municipalities Planning Code (Act 247) mandates that municipalities submit any proposed comprehensive plan or land-use ordinance, including any amendments, to the county planning agency prior to the municipality holding a public hearing thereon.

The county planning agency has 45 days to review and comment on initial ordinances or comprehensive replacements, 30 days to review and comment on amendments.

Within 30 days of enactment of any comprehensive plan or land-use ordinance, including amendments, the municipality must forward a certified copy of said plan, ordinance, or amendment to the county planning agency for public record.

The MPC also mandates that county planning agencies offer mediation options to any municipality that believes its citizens will experience harm as a result of an ordinance or development plan in a contiguous municipality, if the contiguous municipality agrees.

#### **ZONING ORDINANCES**

Covington: amendment (Jan)
Clarks Summit: amendment (Jan)
South Abington: amendment (Feb)
North Abington: amendment (Feb)
Dickson City: amendment (Feb)

**Jessup:** amendment (Mar) **Taylor:** amendment (Apr)

Roaring Brook: amendment (Apr)
Spring Brook: amendment (Apr)

Scranton: amendment (May)

**Dickson City:** amendment (May)

Scranton: amendment (Jun)
Clifton: amendment (Jun)
Jefferson: amendment (Jul)

Clarks Summit: amendment (Jul)

Blakely: amendment (Jul)
Greenfield: amendment (Aug)

Clarks Summit: amendment (Aug)

Mayfield: amendment (Sep)
Throop: amendment (Nov)
Taylor: amendment (Nov)

Blakely: amendment (Nov)
Blakely: amendment (Dec)
Mayfield: amendment (Dec)

#### SUBDIVISION/LD ORDINANCES

Moosic: amendment (Feb)

Jessup: amendment (Mar)

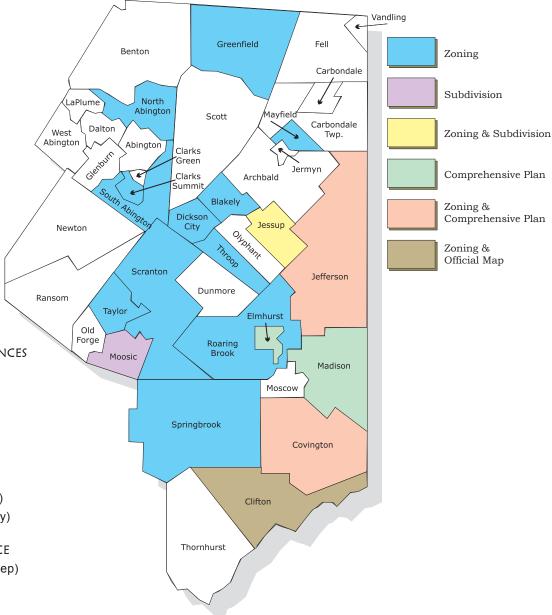
Moosic: amendment (Apr)

#### COMPREHENSIVE PLANS

Elmhurst: update (Mar)
Madison: initial plan (Mar)
Jefferson: initial plan (Mar)
Covington: initial plan (May)

OFFICIAL MAP ORDINANCE

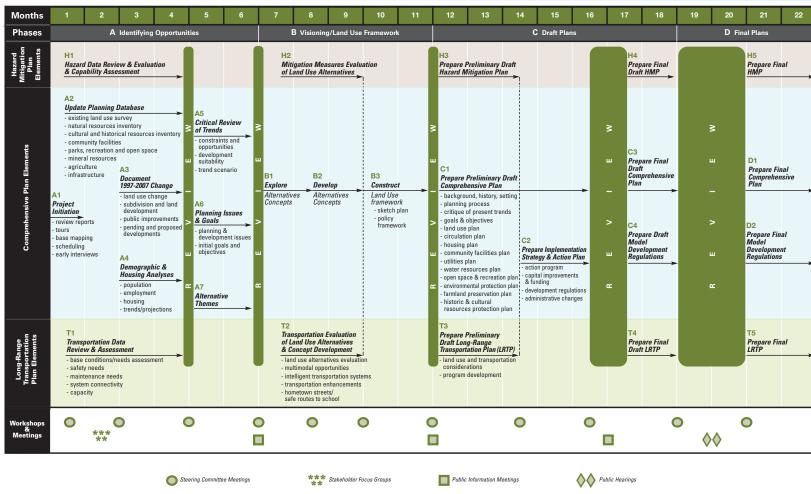
Clifton: initial ordinance (Sep)





#### **Work Program Schedule**

Lackawanna-Luzerne Joint County Comprehensive Plan, Long-Range Transportation Plan, and Hazard Mitigation Plan



Comprehensive Plan - The Comprehensive Plan will serve as an overall planning guide for Lackawanna and Luzerne counties and their municipalities. It will establish a framework for future growth, conservation and preservation that strengthens our existing communities and responsibly stewards our natural, agricultural and cultural resources. As part of this overall plan, the counties will also develop independent plans for future transportation needs and hazard mitigation matters.

Long Range Transportation Plan – The purpose of this

plan is to develop, maintain, and manage an adequate, safe, accessible, and environmentally-sound transportation system. This transportation system will support the communities and provide for the reasonably efficient movement of people and goods within and through Lackawanna and Luzerne Counties.

Hazard Mitigation Plan – This plan will evaluate the potential for natural or technological hazards that could affect Lackawanna and Luzerne Counties and determine an approach to manage those hazards.

Funding for these Plans is from Lackawanna County, Luzerne County, the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED), the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR), the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) and the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency (PEMA).

#### **HIGHWAYS**

Unified Planning Work Program - The LCRPC has an on-going contract with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation to conduct a planning program for highway, bridge and transit related projects in Lackawanna County. There are a number of different emphasis areas that the Department of Transportation requires to be studied each year, including Highway and Transit System Monitoring, Congestion Management Planning, and intermodal planning. In state



fiscal year 2006/2007 the LCRPC received funding in the amount of \$171,625 from the Federal Highway Administration, \$26,266 from the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation and \$54,803 from the Federal Transit Administration to complete these tasks. In 2007/2008 these amounts are \$176,773, \$28,168 and \$48,571 respectively.

**Transportation Improvement Program** - Pennsylvania Transportation Planning is outlined in a Twelve Year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) which is reviewed and updated every two years. The list is prepared by the Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO) and Rural Planning Organizations (RPO) in the state and combined into a statewide funding document. Lackawanna County, along with Luzerne County, forms the Lackawanna/Luzerne Transportation Study (LLTS) MPO. The current TIP first four years includes numerous bridge rehabilitation/reconstruction projects, signal system upgrades and roadway improvements.

**Highway Planning** - The LCRPC takes traffic volume and traffic classification counts at a number of locations in Lackawanna County as part of numerous transportation planning activities. Most counts are done on a three-year cycle with some being taken annually on higher volume roadways. This information is available through the LCRPC offices.

Intelligent Transportation System / Regional Operations Plan

- The LCRPC is part of the Lackawanna-Luzerne Transportation Study ROP steering committee that is charged with developing the operations plan for creation of the Transportation Management Center (TCM) for District 4-0. The ITS steering committee previously prepared the LLTS ITS Architecture for the northeastern portion of Pennsylvania. The architecture defined the relationships between various transportation providers and consumers and developed a

framework to incorporate the efficient and instantaneous sharing of data to improve the transportation network in the area through technology. The Regional Operations Plan is the document that lays out the process for implementing the architecture. This includes the location and operations of the TMC, locations for devices (cameras, variable message signs, overhead message boards, etc.) and public information dissemination. These items are now being programmed into the 2009-2012 Transportation Improvement Program document.

#### RAIL

Scranton to New York City Passenger Rail - Lackawanna County, in conjunction with Monroe County in Pennsylvania and Morris, Sussex and Warren Counties in New Jersey has over the past twenty

years worked toward the resumption of rail passenger service to New York City. The firm of Edwards and Kelcey completed the planning process by holding a series of workshops in the spring of 2007 and soliciting comments on the draft plan. The Consultants, on behalf of the committee, submitted the documentation in order to receive a ranking from the Federal Transit Administration in May of 2007. We are waiting for the FTA to take action. The line will run from the Intermodal Transportation Terminal in downtown Scranton to Hoboken. The maintenance yard for the four train sets stationed in Pennsylvania will be near Bridge 60 in West Scranton.



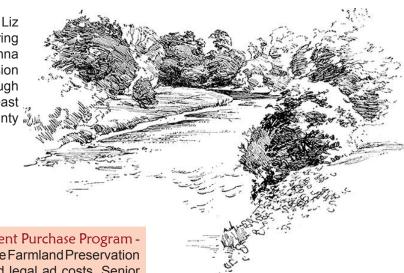
#### LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

The 2003-2025 Long Range Transportation Plan for the Lackawanna-Luzerne Transportation Study is in the process of being updated as



part of the Lackawanna and Luzerne County' Comprehensive Land Use and Hazard Mitigation Planning efforts. This is the first bi-county, three planning emphasis area plan ever undertaken in the Commonwealth and could become a model for the remainder of the state. The plan will cover all transportation modes including vehicular, pedestrian, air and rail transportation in both counties.

Northeastern Pennsylvania Conservation Alliance - Senior Planner, Mary Liz Donato, is a member of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Conservation Alliance Steering Committee. The organization was formed under the guidance of the Lackawanna Environmental Institute and the Lackawanna Heritage Valley Authority. Its mission statement is "to facilitate communication and the sharing of resources through networking in order to coordinate and advance conservation efforts in Northeast Pennsylvania." The Alliance has approximately sixty members from a seven-county area. The Steering Committee meets monthly; general members meet quarterly.



Benton

Greenfield

Fell

Carbondale

North Abington

North Abington

Scott

Mayfield

Carbondale

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Dickson

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Taylor

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Dickson

Ransom

Taylor

Clifton

Townships with

Ag Security Areas

Covington

Farmland Preservation & Easement Purchase Program - The LCRPC continued to support the Farmland Preservation Program in 2007 with printing and legal ad costs. Senior Planner, Mary Liz Donato, serves as Chairman of the five-member Farmland Preservation Board.

No. of Farms with Ag Easements in Effect: 37 Total Acres Protected by Easements: 3,447 Average Size of Protected Farm: 93 acres Average Cost/Acre for Easement Purchase: \$1,729

Total Purchase Price for Ag Easements

in Lackawanna County as of December 2007: \$6,007,731

Lackawanna-Luzerne Counties Open Space, Greenways, & Outdoor Recreation Master Plan - The LCRPC continued to support the implementation of the bi-county open space plan and to use the plan as a valuable planning tool. In 2007, the LCRPC recommended the denial of two re-zoning requests based on the plan's designation of greenway and high-priority conservation land. Both re-zoning requests were subsequently turned down by the local governing bodies. (South Abington Twp: S-1 to R-3 within area of Leggetts Creek greenway; Roaring Brook Twp: S-1 to R-1 within land designated as Moosic Mountain Highlands)



#### Geographic Information Systems

The QA/QC for the county's parcel data continued in 2007 by GIS technicians in both the planning and assessor's offices. Kimball & Associates of Ebensburg provided this data in quadrangle sections. The GIS committee, headed by the Strategic Planning office, continues to meet quarterly. Departments involved in the program include strategic planning, planning, assessor's, emergency services, and information services. In addition to the parcel data, layer information include the following:

- State Senatorial and House District boundaries
- •US Congressional District boundaries
- School District boundaries
- Flood plain areas
- Hydrology (water bodies and water courses)
- Soils boundaries
- Building footprints
- Street data (names and centerlines)

The LCRPC also maintains various land-use and zoning data for 19 county municipalities. This data, created in MapInfo and ArcView 3, is currently being updating for compatibility with the current GIS software.

PA Mapping will conduct an overflight of the county in 2008 to update aerial images.

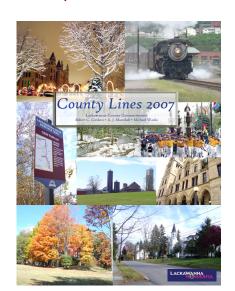
GIS Coordinator, Steve Solon, developed and processed several GIS mapping CDs for various firms and individuals. 2007 revenues generated from these requests totaled \$3,515.



Aerial image: Cinram Manufacturing and adjacent area of the Mid-Valley Industrial Park in Olyphant Borough.

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#### **County Lines**



The 18th annual edition of *County Lines* was published in 2007.

The 2007 edition provided 136 pages of information and statistics on the county, its 40 municipalities and 12 school districts. It also contained five full-color county maps. Three hundred fifty copies were professionally printed and distributed to various county agencies, local municipalities, school districts, libraries, and non-profit agencies. The cost of the book to the general public was \$25.00.

#### Pennsylvania Planning Association Annual Conference Wyndham Hotel, Gettysburg



Senior Planners, Steve Pitoniak and Mary Liz Donato, attended the annual PPA conference on October 28-30. The Central Section of PPA hosted the 2007 event, which drew 400+ planners from across the state to Adams County. The 2008 conference will be held in Pittsburgh.

#### Wind Energy and Community Planning Workshop Ramada Conference Center, State College

Senior Planners, Steve Pitoniak and Mary Liz Donato, attended a workshop on March 28 on the costs and benefits of wind generators and to provide planning tools to regulate wind farms. 110 planners from across the state attended the one-day workshop.

## Storm Water Management Best Practices Workshops College Misericordia/Lackawanna College

Senior Planners, Steve Pitoniak and Mary Liz Donato, attended separate workshops in May on storm water management issues. Topics covered included tree canopy impacts, applied soil science, DEP Best Management Practices for storm water runoff, and regional "green" initiatives.

#### Advancing Sound Land-Use Workshop Berks County Agriculture Center, Leesport

Senior Planners, Steve Pitoniak and Mary Liz Donato, attended a workshop on February 24 on new tools and opportunities for landuse planning. Topics included Recent Court Decisions, Planning & Zoning Issues on Age-Restricted Developments, and Fiscal Impacts of Resident Development.

#### Planning for Agriculture Workshop Hotel Bethlehem, Bethlehem

Senior Planner, Mary Liz Donato, attended a workshop on March 15 on agricultural issues in the state. Topics included the Right to Farm Act, Act 38 "ACRE," Ag Security Law and Farmland Preservation, Ag Zoning, Clean and Green, and CAFOs.

#### Transferable Development Rights Workshop Monroe Co. Conservation Dist., Bartonsville

Senior Planner, Mary Liz Donato, attended a workshop on June 5 on TDRs. The short course focused on how TDRs work, how to set up a TDR ordinance, and keys to TDR success. Several townhips in southeast PA with TDR programs were sited as examples.

#### American Planning Association 2007 National Conference Pennsylvania Convention Center, Philadelphia



Senior Planners, Steve Pitoniak and Mary Liz Donato, attended the national conference of the American Planning Association on April 16-18. The Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware chapters of APA hosted the 2007 event, which drew 5000+ planners from all fifty states and several countries, including Canada, China, and Great Britain.

#### Letters of Support

The LCRPC issued the following letters of support during 2007:

- Moosic Borough, EPA Combination Sewer Overflow Project.
- •Archbald Borough, EPA Update sewer infrastructure.
- •<u>Benton Township</u>, additions to Agricultural Security Area.
- •Wildlands Conservancy, DCNR grant for acquisition of 62 acres in Clifton Township.
- •<u>USDA, Tunkhannock</u>, for a low interest loan to the City of Carbondale for a street re-surfacing project.
- •<u>USDA, Tunkhannock</u>, for a low interest loan to the Archbald Ambulance Association for an addition to its existing facility.
- •<u>Mayfield Borough</u>, concept support of the development of an ethanol facility in the borough.
- •Lackawanna County Department of Strategic Planning, DCNR grant for the development of Phase II of the North Pocono Trail and Greenway.
- •Olyphant Borough, DCNR grant for the development of a Little League baseball field at Condella Park.
- •Lackawanna River Basin Sewer Authority, Act 537 revision for the treatment of effluent nitrogen and phosphorus and increase capacity at the Throop treatment plant.
- •<u>Scott Township</u>, DCNR grant for improvements to the Joe Terry Civic Center.
- •<u>Madison Township</u>, additions to Agricultural Security Area.

#### Planning Law Audio Conference Heritage Valley Center, Mayfield

Senior Planners, Mary Liz Donato and Steve Pitoniak, attended an audio conference on June 27, sponsored by the American Planning Association and PPA-Northest Section. A panel of planning professionals from across the country discussed topics related to US Supreme Court decisions on eniment domain, land-use and zoning issues.

## State Planning Board Breakfast/Northeast Update Monroe Co. Conservation Dist., Bartonsville

Senior Planners, Mary Liz Donato and Steve Pitoniak, attended a breakfast and planning forum on October 25, sponsored by PPA-Northeast Section. State Planning Board directors Ellen Ferretti and Dr. Robert Dillman, Northeastern PA representatives, highlighted the initiatives and areas of concern currently being addressed by the State Board.

#### PennDOT Planning Partners Meeting Radisson Penn Convention Center, Camp Hill

Senior Planner, Steve Pitoniak, attended a session required of the Lackawanna-Luzerne Transportation Study Metropolitan Planning Organization on June 19. Topics discussed included guidance for the 2009 Transportation Improvement Program and SAFETEA-LU requirements.

## PennDOT Planning Partners Annual Meeting Blair County Convention Center, Altoona

Senior Planner, Steve Pitoniak, attended the annual Planning Partners Meeting for the Lackawanna-Luzerne Transportation Study Metropolitan Planning Organization from October 1-3. Topics discussed included Act 44 Work Zone Safety, 2009 Transportation Enhancements Program, mulit-model transportation, and smart transportation.

Municipality	Sub/Dev Name	Development Type	Lots/Units	Acreage	New Roads (If)
Abington					
Lands o	f Mennig	Land Only	2	0.07	
Lands o	f Parker Hill Church	Other*	1	3.8	
Municipality T	otals:		3	3.87	
Archbald					
Archbalo	d Subdivision	Industrial	40	17.7	155
Damage	e Control- Revised	Commercial/Office	1	0.43	
Daron N	lortheast	Industrial	1	61.69	
Lands o	f William Smith	Land Only	2	0.39	
Lands o	f Zelno	Land Only	2	0.29	
Lockhee	ed Martin (revised)	Land Only	2	2.18	
Mausole	eum Chapel at St. Francis	Other*	1	0.77	
PEI Indu	ustrial Park Lot 9	Land Only	2	167.41	
Municipality T	otals:		51	250.86	15
Benton					
Curra Lo	ot Improvement	Land Only	3	0.47	
Duda Sı	ubdivision II	Single-Family Residential	2	22.64	
Harrisor	Land Development	Single-Family Residential	2	66.92	
Lands o	f Hajos	Single-Family Residential	2	2.01	
Lands o	f Schneider	Single-Family Residential	2	4.72	
Skyline	Est R/W Conveyance	Land Only	2	0.61	
Skyline	Estates - Final	Single-Family Residential	32	176.41	390
Municipality T	otals:		45	273.78	39
Blakely					
Lands o	f Feduchack	Land Only	3	0.73	
Lands o	f Minichello	Land Only	2	0.35	
Racobal	do/Rudalavage Subdivision	Single-Family Residential	9	2.83	
Municipality T	otals:		14	3.91	
Carbondale					
Carbono	dale Chiropractor Ctr	Commercial/Office	1	0.55	
Carbono	dale YMCA - Land Dev	Other*	1	1.19	
Carbono	dale YMCA - Lot Cons	Land Only	1	1.19	
Lands o	f D&L Realty/Weckel	Single-Family Residential	2	0.57	
	f McDonnell	Land Only	2	0.06	
Municipality T	otals:		7	3.56	
Carbondale T	ownship				
	ealty Lot 4	Single-Family Residential	2	1.12	

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Lands of	Catanzaro	Single-Family Residential	2	1.67	
Lands of	D&L Realty/Earyes	Land Only	2	0.42	ı
Municipality To	otals:		6	3.21	
Clarks Green					
Lands of	Brutico	Land Only	2	4.33	
Municipality To	otals:		2	4.33	
Clarks Summi	t				
Decker L	ot Line Adjustment	Land Only	2	0.26	
Lands of	Banks et al	Land Only	2	0.05	
Lands of	Young and Tobi, Inc.	Land Only	2	0.83	
Municipality To	otals:		6	1.14	
Clifton					
Deer Val	ley Estates	Single-Family Residential	52	110	657
Reich-Th	omas Realty LLA	Land Only	2	8.51	
Municipality To	otals:		54	118.51	657
Covington					
1M Spec	Building	Industrial	1	76.24	
Bill's Ret	ail Building	Commercial/Office	1	0.58	
Covingto	n Ind Park L6 & E2	Industrial	3	338.7	
Covingto	n Lakes Phase 4	Single-Family Residential	1	1.53	
Covingto	n Twp Sewer Auth	Other*	1	5.18	
Lands of	Atsus	Single-Family Residential	2	2.08	
Lands of	Black - Rev	Land Only	4	19.3	
Lands of	Eroh	Land Only	2	1	
Lands of	Hartpence/Knoll	Single-Family Residential	3	20	
Lands of	Henkelman	Land Only	2	27.13	
Lands of	Jones Estate	Single-Family Residential	4	9.38	
Lands of	Sanko	Single-Family Residential	4	16.11	
O & F C	entenial Associates	Single-Family Residential	8	90.24	392
O & F C	entenial Parcel 3 - Rev	Single-Family Residential	5	51	
Project K	Cenny Dist. Ctr.	Industrial	1	262.46	
-	enny Subdivision	Industrial	3	70.31	
	One Markets LD	Commercial/Office	2	4.01	
Square C	One Mrkts Lot Con-Rev	Land Only	3	4.01	
Municipality To	otals:		50	999.26	392
Dalton					
	Lot 12 Elimination	Land Only	2	5.06	

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Cherma	k Lot Line Adjustment	Land Only	4	0.94	(
Cherma	k Sub - 2nd Rev	Single-Family Residential	16	25.81	1400
Municipality 7	otals:		22	31.81	140
Dickson City					
Adult W	orld	Commercial/Office	1	3.6	(
Bus 6/C	ommerce- Central Union Realty G	Land Only	2	0.02	
Bus 6/C	ommerce- Daniel Siniawa & Assoc	Land Only	2	0.04	
Bus 6/C	ommerce- Dickson City	Land Only	2	0.04	
Bus 6/C	ommerce- Friendly's	Land Only	2	0.07	1
Bus 6/C	ommerce- Jack Plotkin Trust	Land Only	2	0.03	
Bus 6/C	ommerce- Keystone	Land Only	2	0.05	
Ernest 0	Calpin Subdivision	Single-Family Residential	2	0.62	
Lands o	f Minelli/Office Max	Land Only	2	0.09	
Larry Ro	owker Land Development	Industrial	1	1.93	
Noto Pa	rtnership Veterinary Clinic	Commercial/Office	1	3.22	
Municipality T	otals:		19	9.71	
Dunmore					
Dempse	ey Fashionable Laundry LLC	Commercial/Office	1	0.5	
Key Mar	ket Distribution Center	Land Only	3	21.11	
Lame G	roup, Inc.	Land Only	2	0.36	
Lands o	f Barone	Land Only	2	1.02	
Lands o	f Genello	Land Only	1	1.51	
Lands o	f Gillette	Land Only	2	0.82	
Lands o	f Insite Dunmore Oneill LLC	Land Only	2	2.47	
Lands o	f Pinkus	Land Only	2	4.79	
Lands o	f Sardo & Lacertoso	Land Only	2	0.34	
Lands o	f Siconolfi	Land Only	2	0.42	
Penn St	ate University	Commercial/Office	1	40.07	
Municipality T	otals:		20	73.41	
Elmhurst					
Poor Sis	sters of Jesus	Land Only	2	29.88	
Municipality T	otals:		2	29.88	
Fell					
	f D&L Realty	Single-Family Residential	2	3.05	
Municipality 7	otals:		2	3.05	
Glenburn					
Lands o	f Merle Lewis	Land Only	2	6.2	(

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Lands of \	Vrobel	Land Only	3	0.43	
Municipality To	als:		5	6.63	
Greenfield					
Dorson Ad	ld-on Lot	Land Only	2	0.51	
Lands of (	Cobb Estate	Land Only	2	189.41	
Lands of 0	Gallagher/Haran	Land Only	2	0.94	
Municipality To	als:		6	190.86	
Jefferson					
Lands of (	Case/Cox	Land Only	3	26.2	
Lands of [	Davies	Land Only	2	3.37	
Lands of F	Fink	Land Only	4	41.76	
Lands of N	Moosic Lakes, Inc.	Land Only	2	126.75	
Lands of N	∕lusko	Land Only	2	3.38	
Lands of N	/lustafic	Land Only	2	1.9	
Lands of (	Overby	Land Only	2	1.55	
Lands of F	Reahm	Land Only	2	9.5	
Lands of S	Shire Partners, LP	Land Only	2	1.31	
Mt. Cobb	Road Car Wash	Commercial/Office	1	1.33	
Municipality To	tals:		22	217.05	
Jessup					
801 Hill St	reet	Land Only	2	2.39	
Gregory N	ieto Building Proposal 2007	Industrial	1	1.61	
Hale Traile	er	Commercial/Office	1	4.61	
Jessup SE	3C Lot 10 Development	Industrial	1	8.41	
Jessup SE	BC Lot 10 Subdivision	Land Only	2	20.93	
Jessup Se	enior Housing	Multi-Family Residential	25	0.88	
JoMike Co	orporation	Land Only	5	0.32	
Lands of E	Bartlett	Single-Family Residential	2	0.25	
Lands of F	Rotell	Land Only	2	0.36	
Magdalen	Iskra Subdivision	Single-Family Residential	2	0.18	
	ood Distribution Center	Industrial	1	59.07	2100
Valley Vie	w BP- Lot 17/18	Land Only	2	151.46	27
Winton Vil	lage Phase IV	Single-Family Residential	10	7.81	42
Municipality To	tals:		56	258.28	216
Madison					
Bear Broo	k & Becks Crossing Subdivision	Single-Family Residential	4	7.09	
Bortree Es	state Subdivision	Single-Family Residential	4	48.4	

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Lands o	f Biesecker	Single-Family Residential	2	1.78	(
Lands o	of Howe	Single-Family Residential	3	8.45	(
Lands o	of Rogato	Land Only	2	2.61	(
Lescins	ky Subdivision	Land Only	2	20.46	(
Municipality 1	Totals:		19	98.79	
Mayfield					
Lands o	f LHVA	Land Only	2	0.32	(
Municipality 1	Totals:		2	0.32	
Moosic					
Glenma	ura Commons SIII-IV	Multi-Family Residential	40	9.1	1300
Glenma	ura Parcel 3B	Land Only	2	14.13	(
Glenma	ura Parcels 12 & 13	Land Only	3	102.56	
Glenma	ura Parcels 16 & 17B	Land Only	2	49.73	
Jack Wi	Iliams Warehouse Add.	Industrial	1	14.18	(
Lands o	of Hudzinski	Land Only	2	0.23	1
Lands o	of Kane	Land Only	2	0.92	1
Lands o	of Karsko Estate	Land Only	2	0.07	(
Lands o	of Saranchuk	Land Only	2	0.52	
Original	Jitty Joe's - Rev	Commercial/Office	1	0.55	
Municipality 1	Totals:		57	191.99	130
Moscow					
Pin Oak	Place	Single-Family Residential	9	4.26	60
Municipality 1	Totals:		9	4.26	60
Newton					
Grace F	lill at Ford's Lake	Single-Family Residential	7	119.92	
Lands o	of Cummings Estate	Land Only	2	20.03	
Lands o	f Eckel	Land Only	3	61.05	(
Lands o	of Eckel Port Royal Road	Land Only	5	78.28	
Lands o	of Keller Bros.	Land Only	3	8.99	
Lands o	of Keller Family Farm	Land Only	4	95.08	
Lands o	f Kochmer	Land Only	2	4.34	
Municipality 1	Totals:		26	387.69	
North Abingto	on				
Lands o	of Trento/Fellows	Land Only	2	1.31	
Lands o	of Withers	Land Only	2	23.48	(
Municipality 1	Totals:		4	24.79	
Old Forge					

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Lands of	f Monacelli	Land Only	4	1.07	1
Lands of	Petillo	Land Only	2	0.39	1
Lands of	f Schuback	Land Only	2	0.28	
Lands of	f Sharr	Land Only	2	0.38	
Lands of	f Valenta	Land Only	2	0.36	
The Orc	hards	Multi-Family Residential	10	1.1	
Municipality T	otals:		22	3.58	
Olyphant					
Lands of	f Whitford	Single-Family Residential	2	0.2	
Lands of	<sup>f</sup> Zinskie	Single-Family Residential	2	0.32	
Salrich,	Inc. Minor Subdivision	Industrial	2	10.2	
The Con	nmons at Sanko Drive Phase II	Single-Family Residential	15	6.84	80
Municipality T	otals:		21	17.56	8
Ransom					
Lands of	f Ayers/Freeman	Land Only	2	3.34	
Lands of	f Bisset	Land Only	1	4.18	
Lands of	f Lehman	Land Only	2	139.96	
Municipality T	otals:		5	147.48	
Roaring Brook	K				
Lands of	Summit Woods	Single-Family Residential	193	844.66	2370
Lands of	f Whymeyer	Land Only	2	4.91	
Municipality T	otals:		195	849.57	237
Scott					
Lands of	f Jordan	Land Only	1	2.59	
Lands of	f Kornutiak and Jaffer	Land Only	1	0.32	
Lands of	f Narconis/Ball	Land Only	2	0.8	
Lands of	Powell	Commercial/Office	1	1.2	
Lands of	f Rebar	Land Only	2	0.19	
Lands of	f Sayer	Land Only	2	21.09	
Lands of	<sup>f</sup> Vail	Land Only	2	3.62	
Lands of	f Wormuth	Land Only	2	0.3	
Municipality T	otals:		13	30.11	
Scranton				<u> </u>	
Allied Se	ervices	Land Only	3	96.14	
Dunkin [	Donuts, Davis Street	Commercial/Office	1	0	
		0	1	1.13	
Fidelity E	Bank - Blog.	Commercial/Office		1.13	

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Jay's Commor	าร	Commercial/Office	1	0.96	
John F. Kenne	edy Elementary	Other*	1	1.48	
John Whittier	Elementary	Other*	1	0.89	
Kane Propertie	es Inc.	Land Only	3	70.55	
Lands of Aquil	lina	Land Only	2	0.19	
Lands of Deck	er/Shaw	Land Only	2	0.3	
Lands of Geno	ovese	Land Only	1	8.0	
Lands of Giffo	rd	Land Only	2	0.11	
Lands of Jame	es Gerard Realty, Inc.	Land Only	2	1.47	
Lands of Jimo	osky	Land Only	2	0.13	
Lands of Vent	ri	Land Only	2	0.18	
Lands of Wals	h	Land Only	2	0.26	
Lands of White	man	Land Only	2	0.05	
Lands of Yank	cowski	Land Only	4	1.01	
Morgan Mano	r Apts.	Multi-Family Residential	98	49.6	
Mountain Side	Commons	Multi-Family Residential	7	0.7	
Scranton Park	ing Auth (Gar)	Commercial/Office	1	0.53	
Scranton Park	ing Auth (Sub)	Land Only	1	0.53	
Scranton/Chin	chilla Transfer Improvement	Other*	1	0.76	
University of S	Scranton (Dorm)	Other*	1	1.66	
University of S	Scranton (Land)	Land Only	1	1.66	
West Element	ary	Other*	1	19.13	74
Widmer Sign (	Co.	Industrial	1	0.51	
Municipality Totals:			146	251.86	7
South Abington					
French Manor	Estates	Single-Family Residential	11	8.44	49
Grigas Constr	uction Co.	Land Only	2	4.09	
Inn at Nichols	Village	Commercial/Office	1	1.99	
JEB Company	1	Commercial/Office	1	0.93	
Lands of Jack	Jr. (Revised Dev)	Industrial	2	20.1	
Lands of Jack	Jr., Inc (Rev)	Land Only	2	20.1	
Lands of Mach	Namera/Gearhart	Land Only	2	198.89	
Lands of Pedr	nar	Commercial/Office	1	1.25	
Lands of Thon	npson/Radiewicz	Land Only	2	0.72	
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Preserve at G	ravel Pond-P1	Single-Family Residential	29	79.38	230
Raker Country	Store	Commercial/Office	1	4.8	
Municipality Totals:			56	341.41	27
Springbrook					

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Lands of	Brown	Land Only	2	4.83	0
Lands of	Hapersberger & Rinish	Land Only	2	13.31	0
Lands of	J.S.B. Enterprises	Land Only	5	19.86	0
Lands of	Kakareka	Land Only	2	57.28	0
Lands of	Macialek	Land Only	4	84.55	0
Lands of	Morgan	Land Only	2	15.96	0
Springbr	ook Kennels	Commercial/Office	1	0.1	0
Theta La	and 108 - Rev	Single-Family Residential	2	10.83	0
Municipality To	otals:		20	206.72	(
Taylor					
Taylor C	Commons (Land)	Land Only	3	3.02	0
Citizens	Savings Bank	Commercial/Office	1	0.66	0
Kavulich	Construction, Inc.	Land Only	5	0.52	0
Winner's	Circle Restaurant	Land Only	2	1.14	0
Municipality To	otals:		11	5.34	
Throop					
Bradsha	w/Rafalko Subdivision	Land Only	2	0.16	0
Lands of	Paul Digrazio	Land Only	2	1.46	0
Townhou	use Development at School Side	Multi-Family Residential	19	3.5	575
Municipality To	otals:		23	5.12	57
Vandling					
Lands of	Whittington	Single-Family Residential	3	6.85	0
Municipality To	otals:		3	6.85	
Annual Tota	ls:		1024	5056.5	5 69547