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The Pennsylvania SBDC Environmental Management Assistance Program ([EMAP](#)) is pleased to provide this free newsletter to small businesses in Pennsylvania.

News



Pik Rite Wins National Award

The [National Small Business Environmental Assistance Programs](#) (SBEAP) have recognized [Pik Rite, Inc.](#) as the 2017 winner of its Small Business Environmental Stewardship Award. The company, based in Lewisburg, Pennsylvania was chosen by the SBEAP's National Steering Committee. The award was presented on May 17 at the SBEAP/Small Business Ombudsman Annual Conference held in Denver, Colorado.

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SAVE THE DATE!

SBIR WORKSHOP

July 27, 2017

EPA, USDA & DOE

Location: Villanova Innovation, Creativity, and Entrepreneurship Institute

Time: 8:45am - 2:00pm

Sponsored by the Widener SBDC

Registration information will be available soon.

DEP Small Business Advantage Grant

DEP expects the Small Business Advantage Grant to reopen in late July or early August. DEP recommends that you have your projects ready to go in the event the program opens. Last year, the program awarded the entire \$1M grant in just over 3 months, locking out many late applicants.

For more information, [CLICK HERE](#).

[Read More](#)



New Small Business Ombudsman Joins DEP

Ed Boito is the new Small Business Ombudsman for DEP. Ed started in early April, and will oversee the Small business Advantage Grant, as well as the Pollution Prevention Assistance Account low-interest loan program. The Small Business Ombudsman provides free confidential environmental assistance to businesses with 100 or fewer full-time employees. By law, the Ombudsman cannot reveal the identity of any small business who contacts the Office without their permission. All contacts are kept strictly confidential.

Prior to DEP, Mr. Boito co-owned a solar installation and energy efficiency consulting company in Harrisburg, held numerous positions in the private sector, and has worked for two large conservation organizations in Harrisburg, namely Citizens for Pennsylvania's Future and the Pennsylvania Land Trust Association.

You can contact Ed at (717) 783-0909.

Regulatory Updates

Federal Regulatory Reform

Recycling Report

The Pennsylvania Recycling Markets Center and IHS Markit recently released a report entitled "the Economic Contributions of Recycling to the Pennsylvania Economy". The report shows that in 2015 the recycling marketplace directly employed over 66,000 people while stimulating almost 110,000 indirect and induced jobs. Click [here](#) to download a copy of the report.



Sustaining Your Business Webinar Series

Review our resource information and recorded webinars:

[Craft Breweries](#)

[Food Production](#)

EPA recently took public comments in accordance with Executive Order 13777, "Enforcing the Regulatory Reform Agenda", to request input on environmental regulations that may be appropriate for repeal, replacement, or modification. Click [here](#) for a summary of EPA's outreach for regulatory reform. In addition, the Association of Air Pollution Control Agencies (AAPCA) has compiled a list of state and local agency comments that can be found [here](#).

Hazardous Waste Management

Did you know that [EPA's Hazardous Waste Generator Improvements Rule](#) is now in effect as of May 30, 2017? If not, contact one of our EMAP environmental consultants or visit EPA's [fact sheet](#) to see how hazardous waste can now be managed to provide greater flexibility for today's business operations.

Other Updates

Public Comment on Volkswagen Mitigation Plan

In anticipation of becoming certified as a Beneficiary, DEP has developed a [draft Beneficiary Mitigation Plan](#) that provides Pennsylvania's high-level vision for the use of the mitigation fund money and information about specific project types eligible for funding. DEP is now accepting public comments on the [draft Beneficiary Mitigation Plan](#) through July 5, 2017.

[CLICK HERE](#) to learn more about the Volkswagen litigation.

EMAP's New YouTube Channel

Did you miss our Sustaining Your Business webinar on home and personal care products? If so, you can view it here along with others on EMAP's new YouTube channel:



Sustaining Your Business: Home and Personal Care Products

Need Assistance?

EMAP Can Help!

The Environmental Consultants at EMAP provide strictly confidential, no-cost assistance with:



- [Environmental Compliance](#)
- [Air Quality Regulations](#)
- [Greening your Business](#)
- [Preparing Permit Applications and Plans](#)

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