

2010 Chesapeake Watershed Forum
National Conservation Training Center
Shepherdstown, WV



Saturday, November 13, 2010
7:30 – 8:30 pm



Keynote Speaker
John Quigley, Secretary
Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR)

Secretary Quigley will be presenting on the issues surrounding the Marcellus Shale gas extraction in the Commonwealth and share insights into how to best plan for and react to water quality issues associated with this process. More details forthcoming.

Biography:

John Quigley was named secretary of DCNR on April 14, 2010, after serving as acting secretary for a year. Prior to his appointment, Quigley worked for the agency in several capacities, including overseeing strategic initiatives and operations, and as DCNR's chief of staff.

As secretary, Quigley has helped to position Pennsylvania as a leader in land conservation, outdoor recreation, alternative energy and public land management. He has tirelessly fought to protect the integrity of the state park and forest systems in tough economic times. During his tenure as secretary, Pennsylvania State Parks were named the Best in the Nation. He also has directed agency efforts to help communities capitalize on their natural resources to improve economic development and quality of life. Under Quigley's leadership, Pennsylvania continues efforts to address the impacts of climate change, including studying the use of biomass as an alternative fuel and storing carbon dioxide in underground geologic formations.

Quigley has had a diverse career in the not-for-profit, public, and private sectors, including eight years as the mayor of the City of Hazleton, government relations manager with Citizens for Pennsylvania's Future, and management positions with industry-leading companies.