

\$7.8 Million in Grants Directed Toward Abandoned Mine Restoration Projects

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In May 2023, Governor Shapiro awarded \$7.8 million resulting from the federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, Pub. L. No. 117-58, 135 Stat. 429 (2021), to fund projects for the reclamation of abandoned mine land, abatement of acid mine drainage through reclamation, or treatment of acid mine drainage through the construction, operation, or maintenance of an acid mine drainage treatment facility. See Press Release, Pa. Dep't of Env't Prot. (PADEP), "The Shapiro Administration Awards \$7.8 Million Dollars in Grants for Environmental Restoration Projects" (May 26, 2023). As a result of the award, PADEP's Bureau of Abandoned Mine Reclamation announced 16 projects across 12 Pennsylvania counties that PADEP will soon initiate. See *id.*; see also Guidance, PADEP, "2023 Abandoned Mine Land and Acid Mine Drainage Grant Program,"

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