

## Remedial Priority System

# Human Health Layers Water Body

"Surface Water Quality Standards"

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#### Human Health Layers

#### The Human Health Layers developed by the Department are:

- Water Media
  - Private Wells
  - Community Supply Wells
  - Non-Community Supply Wells
  - Surface Water Intakes
  - Surface Water Body (Surface Water Quality Standards)
  - Agricultural
- Soil Media
  - Soil Exposure: Residential,
  - Soil Exposure: School / Day Care
- Vapor Media
  - Vapor Exposure: Residential
  - Vapor Exposure: School / Day Care





Derived Layer based on Classification (usage) of water body

- (not based on population)
- Mode of Exposure: People being exposed (Dermal / Ingestion) contaminated surface water during recreational activities.
- Background: The Surface Water Quality Standards (SWQS) establish the
  designated uses to be achieved and specify the water quality (criteria)
  necessary to protect the State's waters. Designated uses include potable
  water, propagation of fish and wildlife, recreation, agricultural and industrial
  supplies, and navigation.
- Source Layer:
  - Surface Water Quality Standards
    - Basis for layer: shows location of streams and the stream classification



Cell Values: The Cell Value is based on the type of stream and the distance the

cell is from the surface water body.

Surface Water Intakes	<u>Cell Value</u>
500' buffer on wetland = DR	2
300' buffer on wetland = DR	4
500' buffer on river = DR	7
300' buffer on river = DR	9
500' buffer on wetland = C-2	12
300' buffer on wetland = C-2	15
500' buffer on stream or lake = C-2	17
300' buffer on stream or lake = C-2	20
500' buffer on wetland = C-1	22
300' buffer on wetland = C-1	25
500' buffer on stream or lake = C-1	27
300' buffer on stream or lake = C-1	30
500' buffer on wetland = ON	32
300' buffer on wetland = ON	35
500' buffer on stream or lake = ON	37
300' buffer on stream or lake = ON	40

#### **Explanation**

•ON: Outstanding National Resource Waters

•C-1: A Class One Stream, which is protected from any measurable change in water quality because of ecological, recreational or fisheries.

•C-2: A "default" designation that applies to all surface waters except those designated as ONRW or C1.

•DR: Delaware River





- Calculation Method
  - The maximum cell value that intersects the ground water Extent Area is used



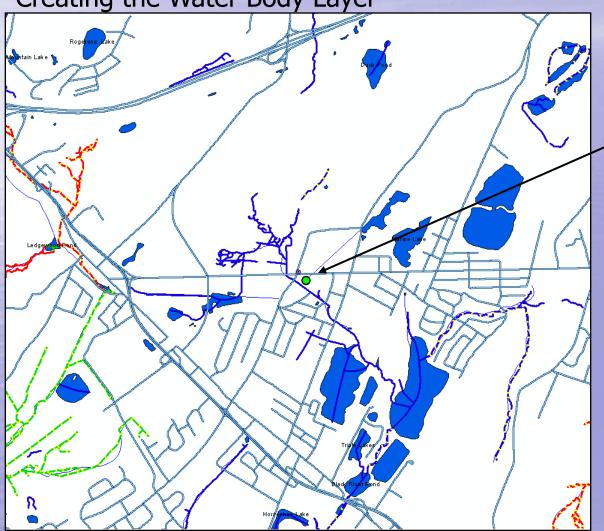


 The following is the method used to create the Water Body GIS layer





Creating the Water Body Layer

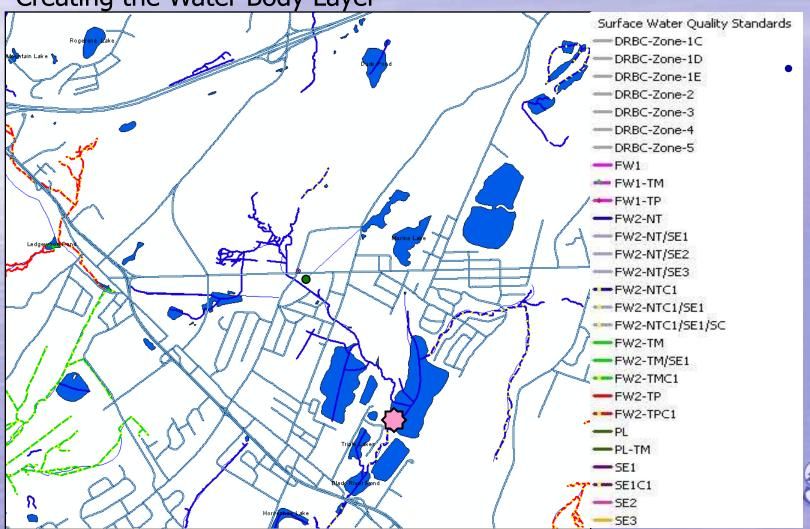


**Site Location** 





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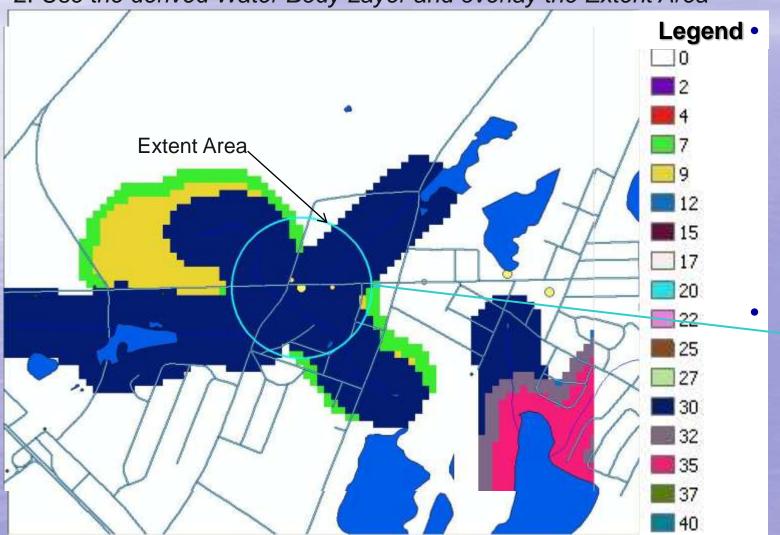
Start with GWQS Layer





#### **Surface Water Body Layer**

2. Use the derived Water Body Layer and overlay the Extent Area



Vectors are converted into a Raster file (100 by 100 grid) and assign the appropriate values to each cell

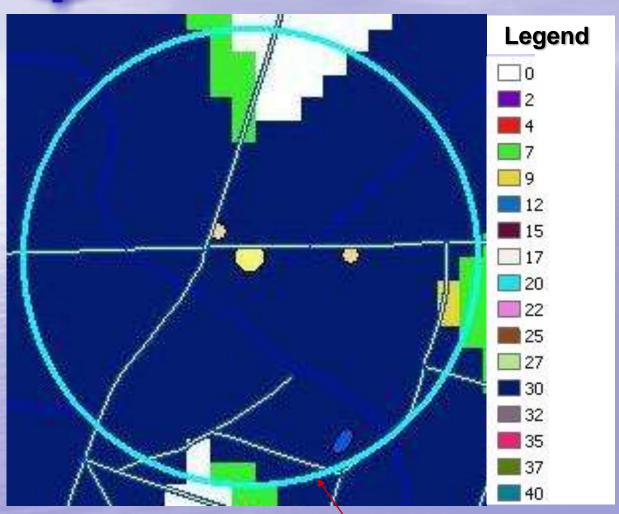
Overlay the Ground Water Extent Area





#### **Surface Water Body Layer**

Calculation Method: Maximum cell value within the Extent Area



To calculate the Score:

- Zoom in to the Extent Area
- Maximum cell value within the Extent Area
- Maximum cell values = 30
  - Final Score = 30



**Ground Water Extent Area** 

Water Body Receptor Score = 30



- A Surface Water Body Layer is created for the entire state
- The following is the layer used to calculate the Surface Water Body Receptor Layer Score



