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Previous Project Updates

DRBC Commissioners

- * RFQ June 2019
- * RFP March 2020
- * General September 2021
- * Brief update December 2021
- * Screening update March 2022
- * Draft report September 2022



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- * February 17, 2022 (presentation of high-level screening results)
- * June 16, 2022 (brief update no details on projects)

ODRM Principals

* January 6, 2022 (presentation of high-level screening results)

<u>RFAC</u>

December 15, 2021 (presentation of high-level screening results)

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- * Mott MacDonald contract executed on April 9, 2021 (\$649,000, ends June 30, 2022)
- * In early June 2022 DRBC & MM extended the contract to December 31, 2022
- * DRBC webpage for the project:

https://www.nj.gov/drbc/programs/flow/reservoir-storage-study.html

- Initial Screening Workshop July 21, 2021
- Second Screening Workshop November 18, 2021
- First draft of final report transmitted to DRBC August 15, 2022



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<u>Goal</u>: to explore the feasibility of additional freshwater storage to meet future water availability, climate adaptation, drought management and flow management needs in the Delaware River Basin.

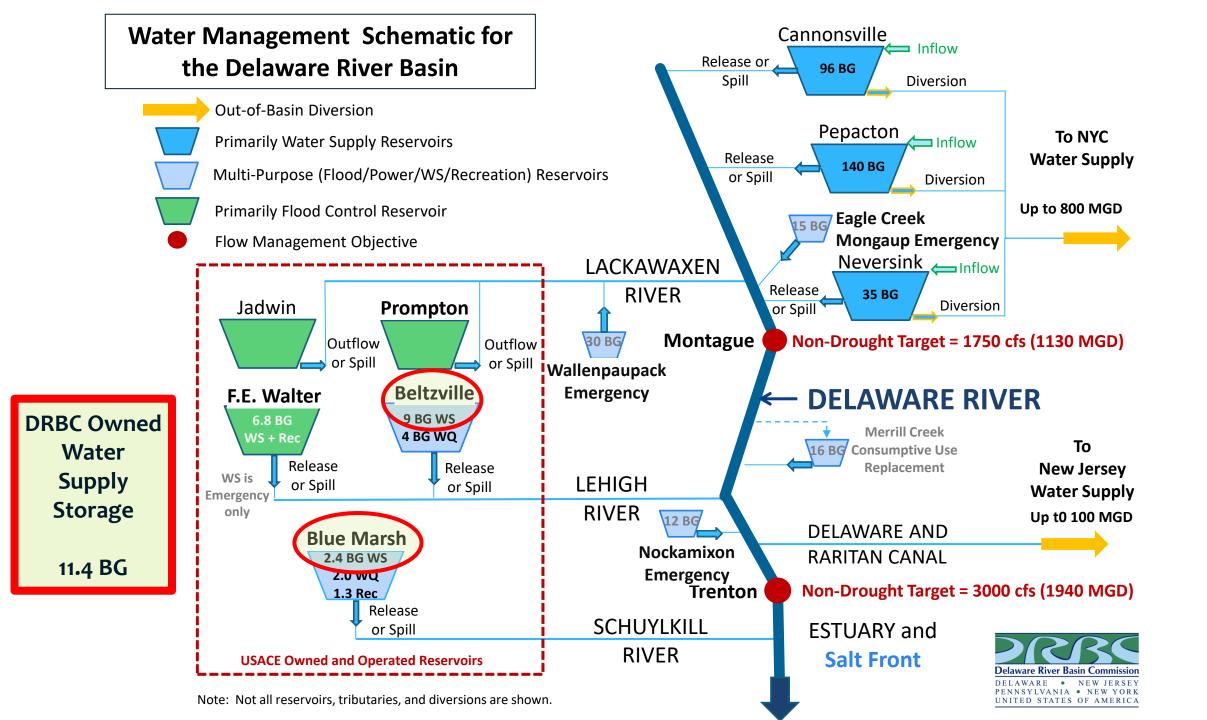
Objectives: Identify, inventory and evaluate the feasibility of options that could provide the following additional usable storage:

- * A minimum of 1 billion gallons (BG),
- * A minimum of 5 BG,
- * A minimum of 10 BG
- * A minimum of 20 BG

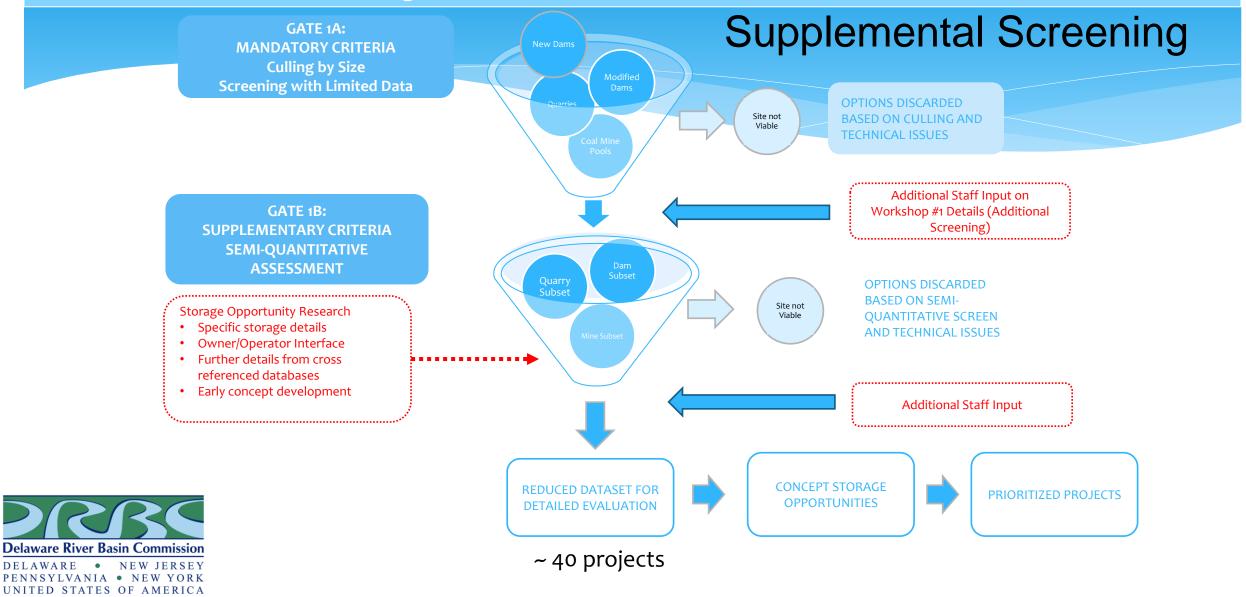


(The storage volumes can be met by a combination of projects/sources.)

The DRBC has not made a determination of the need for additional storage within the basin. The study is a planning level inventory of potential options that would be available if the DRBC determines that additional storage is needed in the future.



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1. New dams

- 21 Previously Studied Dams + Various Team identified
- 5 high potential new dams
- 2 "New" identified sites

2. Modification to existing dams:

- 24 Candidate Sites
- 16 high potential sites

3. Quarries:

- 1,300 Quarries in 3 states
- 33 potential sites

- 4. Deep Mines:31 Mine Pools in DRB
- 5 high potential sites



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New Dams

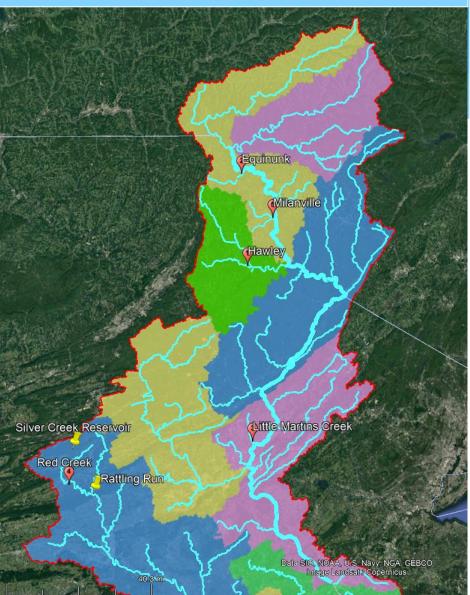
PREVIC	USLY IDENTIFIE	D SITES FOR	NEW DAMS	New		
				Capacity,	Flooded	
Map key	Project Name	County	Subwatershed	BG	Area, ac	
1	Hawley	Wayne	Lackawaxen	?	394	
2a	Equinunk (small)	Wayne	Upper DR	10	485	
2b	Equinunk (large)	Wayne	Upper DR	43	1358	
3	Little Martins Creek	Northampton	Middle DR	29	1122	
4	Red Creek	Schuylkill	Schuylkill	26	1282	
5	Milanville	Wayne	Lackawaxen	43	1979	
NEW SI	ES FOR NEW DAMS					

NEW SITES FOR NEW DAM

- 6 Silver Creek
- 7 Rattling Run

Carried 7 concepts forward.





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Existing Dams

Existing Dams are being evaluated for both "Dam Raising" and "Purchase/Lease" of existing storage.

Image: Normal systemImage: Normal system	NAME	STATE	COUNTY	CURRENT MAX STORAGE, BG	OWNER	OWNER TYPE
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PROMPTONPAWAYNE24USACEFEDERAL	STILL CREEK	PA	SCHUYLKILL	4	TAMAQUA WATER	PUBLIC WATER
	GREEN LANE RES	PA	MONTGOMERY	8	AQUA PA	PRIVATE WATER
BLUE MARSH PA BERKS 42 USACE FEDERAL	PROMPTON	PA	WAYNE	24	USACE	FEDERAL
	BLUE MARSH	PA	BERKS	42	USACE	FEDERAL



Carried ~10 concepts forward.

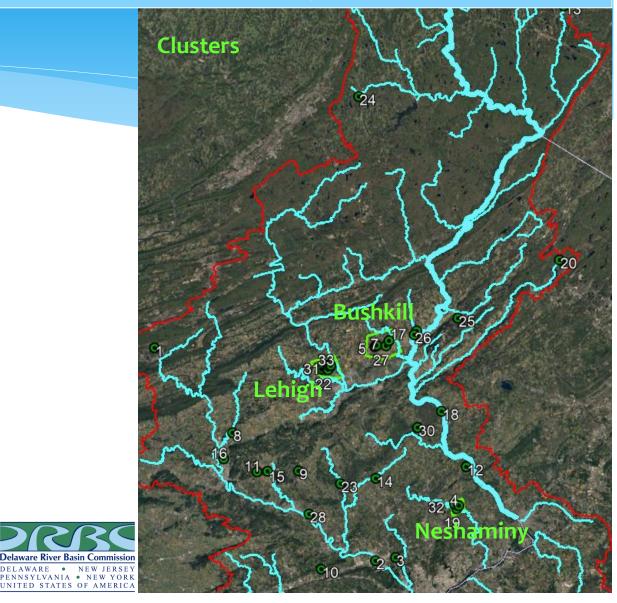
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Quarries

Started with >1,300 sites Screened down to ~ 33 based largely on volume three "clusters" have emerged

Carried ~19 concepts forward.





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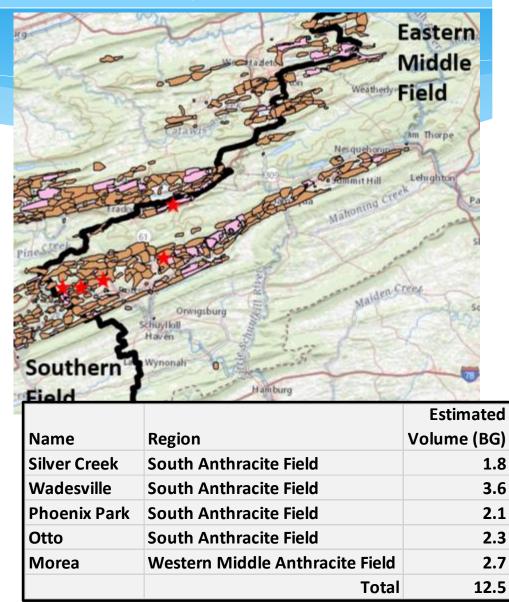
Mines

Reviewed existing information from PADEP, USBM, EPCAMR, Schuylkill Headwaters Association, SRBC

Begin to develop project concepts.

Carried 5 concepts forward.

South A	nthracite Field				Eastern Mid	dle Anthracite Field		
Кеу	Pool	Vol. (gal)			Кеу	Pool	Vol. (gal)	
1	Tamaqua Lands (S)	800,000,000			24	Audenreid	241,844,000	
2	Tamaqua Lands (N)	312,000,000			25	Spring Brook	5,880,000	
3	Mary D	400,000,000			26	Tresckow	17,280,000	
4	Kaska	600,000,000			27	Tresckow #21	84,240,000	
5	Silver Creek	1,774,000,000	Х		29	Coleraine	67,860,000	
6	Eagle Hill	727,000,000			29	Evans	20,160,000	
7	Palmer Vein	400,000,000			31	Silver Brook	683,000,000	
8	Bear Ridge	40,000,000				Total	1,120,264,000	
9	Pine Fores	419,000,000						
10	Wadesville	3,582,000,000	Х					
11	Pottsville East	125,000,000			Western Mi	ddle Anthracite Field		
12	Pine Knot #1	600,000,000			Кеу	Pool	Vol. (gal)	
13	Thomaston	784,000,000			#N	Логеа	2,679,000,000 #	х
14	Richardson	625,000,000			NA	Total	2,679,000,000#	
15	Glendower	403,000,000						
16	Buck Run (old)	477,000,000						
17	Buck Run (dam basin)	53,000,000						-
18	Lytle	795,000,000						
19	Phoenix Park	2,054,000,000	Х					-
20	Otto	2,265,000,000	Х					D
21	Middle Creek	700,000,000						D
	Total	17,935,000,000						P I
No	ote: Volumes taken from US	BM TP #727-1949; # c	leno	tes va	lue from USC	GS SIR 2010-5261.		U



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What does "carried forward" mean?

The 38 projects which made it to the final round of screening are then further developed conceptually. The project concept is captured in a multi-page Storage Project Summary (SPS).



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38 Storage Project Summaries (SPS)

- 1. Project Overview
- 2. Water Quantity & Quality
- 3. Infrastructure Design, Construction & Operation
- 4. Environmental Impacts
- 5. Social & Economic Impacts
- 6. Project Cost & Schedule
- 7. Potential Ancillary Benefits

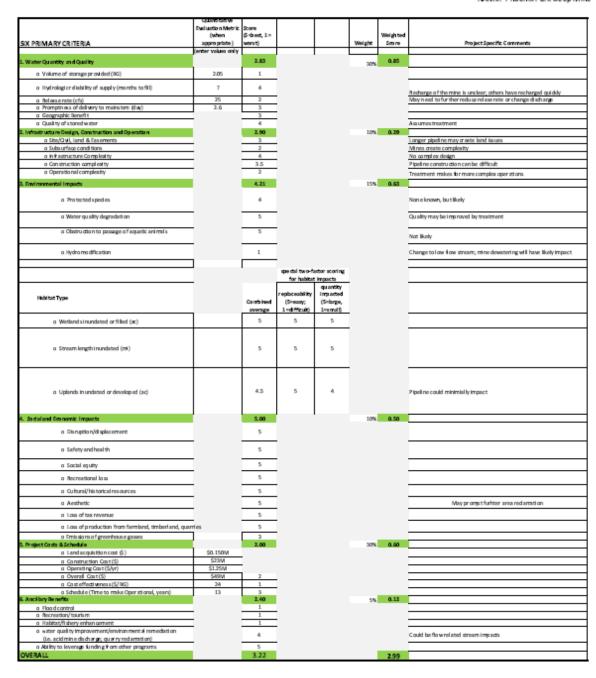
8. Storage Project Score -

This enables comparisons of projects.



STORAGE PROJECT SCORING

STORAGE PROJECT: M19 NAME: Phoenix Park Deep Mine



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Storage Project Scoring Sheets

Primary Criteria	Weigh	t
Water Quantity & Quality	30%	
Infrastructure Design, Construction and Operation	10%	
Environmental Impacts	15%	
Social & Economic Impacts	10%	
Project Costs & Schedule	30%	
Ancillary Benefits	5%	



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ID	Project Name	Location	Project	Vol.	Total	Cost effective-	Pump in or	OVERALL	1. Water	Infra. design,	Environ.	4. Social &	Project Costs	Ancil.
			type	(BG)	Cost (M\$)	ness (M\$/BG)	Gravity	WEIGHTED SCORE	quantity & quality	const. & Ops.	impacts	Economic Impacts	& Schedule	Benefits
T2	Rio	Sullivan, NY	Transfer	2.0	27	14	NA	4.16	4.17	4.60	5.00	5.00	3.83	1.00
Q19	Eureka Rush Valley	Bucks	Quarry	1.7	24	14		4.07	3.75	3.60	4.79	4.88	4.00	3.60
Q02	Dyer Glasgow	Montgomery	Quarry	6.2	30	5		4.06	3.50	3.10	4.61	4.75	4.50	3.60
E4	Prompton	Wayne	Dam mod	2.0	2	1	G	4.04	4.17	3.80	3.25	4.78	4.50	1.80
Q04	Hanson Penns Peak	Bucks	Quarry	3.3	31	10		4.04	3.58	3.60	4.57	4.88	4.17	3.60
Q12	Solebury	Bucks	Quarry	2.3	38	16		4.03	3.75	3.20	4.57	5.00	4.00	4.00
Q25	Tilcon Oxford	Warren, NJ	Quarry	1.2	28	23		4.02	4.00	3.60	4.57	4.88	3.83	2.80
T4	Lake Ontelaunee	Berks	Transfer	1.0	27	27	NA	4.01	3.33	4.60	5.00	5.00	4.17	1.00
Q07	Glasgow (Delaware)	Northampton	Quarry	4.6	26	6		4.01	4.08	3.70	4.93	4.25	3.67	3.00
E2	Cannonsville	Delaware, NY	Dam mod	13.0	77	6	G	3.99	4.67	3.60	3.21	4.89	4.00	1.20
Q22	NESL Whitehall	Lehigh	Quarry	1.2	34	28		3.96	3.83	3.00	4.86	4.69	3.67	4.20
Q21	NESL Ormrod	Lehigh	Quarry	1.3	45	35		3.92	3.83	3.10	4.93	4.63	3.50	4.20
T1	Merrill Creek	Warren, NJ	Transfer	2.0	110	55	NA	3.91	4.50	4.60	5.00	5.00	2.67	1.00
Q23	Lehigh Perkiomenville	Montgomery	Quarry	1.0	26	26		3.91	3.58	3.80	4.79	4.88	3.67	3.00
Q01	Pottsville	Schuylkill	Quarry	6.9	39	5		3.91	3.42	3.40	4.21	4.63	4.17	4.00
Q08	Holcim Evansville	Berks	Quarry	3.1	44	14		3.91	3.75	3.20	4.79	4.00	3.83	3.90
T3	Penn Forest/Wild Creek	Carbon/ Monroe	Transfer	3.0	162	54	NA	3.87	3.83	4.60	5.00	5.00	3.17	1.20
027	NESL Nazareth	Northampton	Quarry	1.0	25	25		3.86	3.67	3.40	4.21	5.00	3.83	2.80
Q03	Plymouth Meeting	Montgomery	Quarry	3.5	39	11		3.76	3.50	3.10	3.89	4.75	3.83	3.80
M32	Morea Basin	Schuylkill	Mine Pool	2.7	65	24	Р	3.58	3.08	3.20	4.43	5.00	3.50	2.40
M20	Otto	Schuylkill	Mine Pool	2.3	65	28	Р	3.53	3.17	3.00	4.43	5.00	3.33	2.40
Q14	M&M Telford	Bucks	Quarry	1.0	25	25		3.50	3.17	2.90	4.07	4.75	3.67	1.40
Q07	Glasgow (Bushkill)	Northampton	Quarry	4.6	26	6		3.47	3.42	2.50	3.43	4.50	3.67	2.60
Q16	Berks Temple	Berks	Quarry	1.0	30	30		3.42	3.25	2.20	4.64	3.25	3.67	2.00
Q05	Glasgow Nazareth	Northampton	Quarry	4.2	48	12		3.37	3.25	2.30	3.00	4.38	3.83	2.60
Q06	Lehigh Imperial	Northampton	Quarry	3.8	51	13		3.34	3.25	2.30	3.14	4.38	3.67	2.60
E1	Wild Creek	Carbon/ Monroe	Dam mod	1.0	135	135	G	3.29	4.00	2.80	3.50	4.89	2.50	1.00
E3	Blue Marsh	Berks	Dam mod	5.0	65	13	G	3.19	3.83	2.20	3.43	4.11	2.67	1.80
M5	Silver Creek	Schuylkill	Mine Pool	1.7	65	38	Р	3.12	3.00	3.20	4.50	5.00	2.00	2.40
N4	Rattling Run	Berks	New dam	1.3	293	225	G	3.05	3.83	3.40	3.36	4.22	1.83	1.60
N5	Equinunk	Wayne	New dam	42.0	1150	27	G	3.03	4.50	2.60	2.00	3.00	2.33	2.40
M19	Phoenix Park	Schuylkill	Mine Pool	2.1	65	31	P	2.99	2.83	2.90	4.21	5.00	2.00	2.40
N2	Milanville	Wayne	New dam	42.0	950	23	G	2.95	4.17	2.60	2.16	3.00	2.33	2.40
N1	Red Creek	Schuylkill	New dam	13.3	366	28	P	2.90	3.67	2.20	2.93	3.22	2.33	2.40
N6	Hawley	Wayne	New dam	1.3	182	140	G	2.87	4.17	2.80	2.18	3.33	2.00	1.60
N3	Little Martins Creek	Northampton	New dam	7.1	353	50	Р	2.87	4.17	2.20	1.96	3.44	2.17	2.20
N7	Silver/Big Creek	Schuylkill	New dam	11.3	921	81	P	2.77	3.50	1.80	2.68	4.33	1.83	3.00
M10	Wadesville	Schuvlkill	Mine Pool	3.6	65	18	P	0.00	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Top 38 Projects

- Storage Projects
 Summaries (SPS)
 developed for each
 - * 7 New Dams
 - * 4 Dam Modifications
 - * 4 Transfers
 - * 18 Quarries
 - * 5 Mine Pools
- 2 groupings of projects



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Table 7.3-1 Most Feasible Projects, Sorted by Overall Score

Site Name	Site ID	County/ State	Overall Weighted Score	Volume, BG	Cost, M\$	Cost Effectiveness, M\$/BG
Eureka Rush Valley	Q19	Bucks, PA	4.07	1.7	24	14.1
Dyer	Q02	Montgomery, PA	4.06	6.2	30	4.9
Prompton	E4	Wayne, PA	4.04	2.0	2	1.0
Penns Peak	Q04	Bucks, PA	4.04	3.3	31	9.5
Solebury Twp	Q12	Bucks, PA	4.03	2.3	38	16.3
Tilcon Oxford	Q25	Warren, NJ	4.02	1.2	28	23.3
Glasgow (Del River)	Q07	Northampton, PA	4.01	4.6	26	5.7
Cannonsville	E2	Delaware , NY	3.99	13.0	77	5.9
Whitehall	Q22	Lehigh, PA	3.96	1.2	34	28.0
Ormrod	Q21	Lehigh, PA	3.92	1.3	45	34.6
Wadesville	Q01	Schuylkill, PA	3.91	6.9	39	4.8
Holcim Evansville	Q08	Berks, PA	3.91	3.1	44	14.3
Perkiomenville	Q23	Montgomery, PA	3.91	1.0	26	26.0
NESL Nazareth	Q27	Northampton, PA	3.86	1.0	25	25.0

Most Feasible Projects

- * Doesn't include transfers
- Shouldn't be thought of a ranking, but rather a grouping
- * 14 projects; 12 quarries, 2 expansions at existing reservoirs
- * Most are in PA
- * No new dams
- No mine pools
- Quarries are constrained by fill & discharge rates (pump sizes, pipelines, etc.)



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Transferrable Storage – "excess existing storage"

- * Project team was unable to get a good sense of costs and volume available without additional detailed, serious discussions with owners.
- * However, feel confident that water is available.
- * Transfers were not included in the most feasible for this reason.
- * Captured in Appendix B of the report.



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Special Notes on Quarries

- 1. Most owners probably do not know anything about DRBC.
- 2. Most owners do not know that they are included in this study.
- 3. DRBC/MM has not yet contacted / interacted with most owners.
- 4. Information to develop project concept came from public sources.



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August 15: Draft report to DRBC

September 9: Comments back to MM

Next Steps

- * Revised draft report from MM
- * Draft report to signatory member reviewers
- * Final Report



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Preview of Most Feasible Projects

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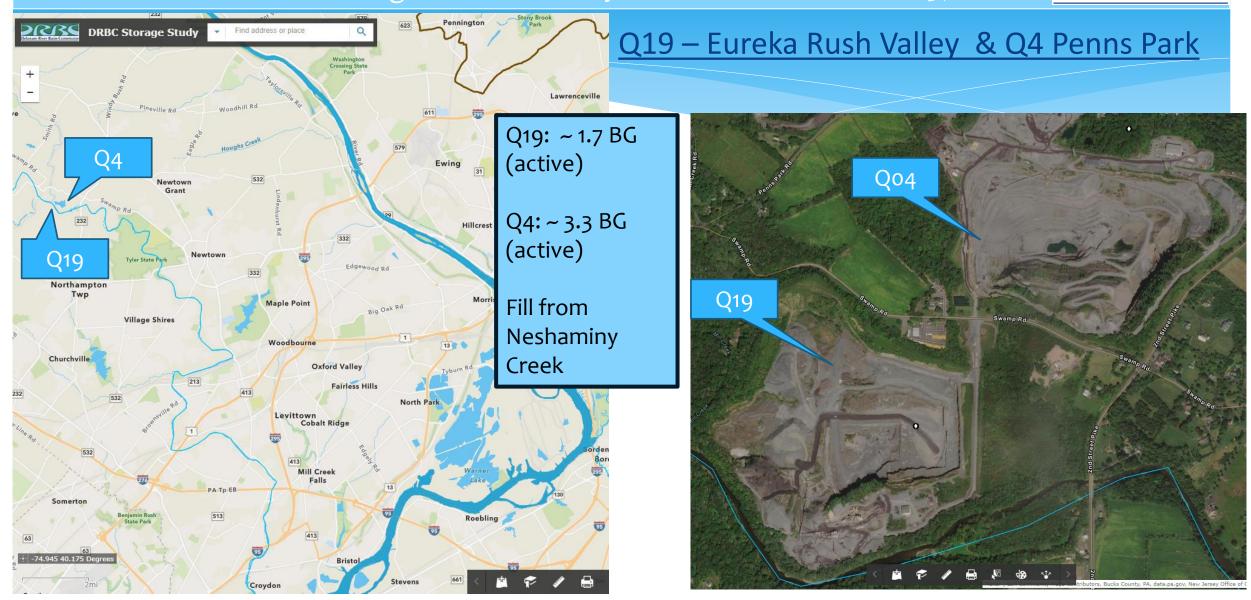


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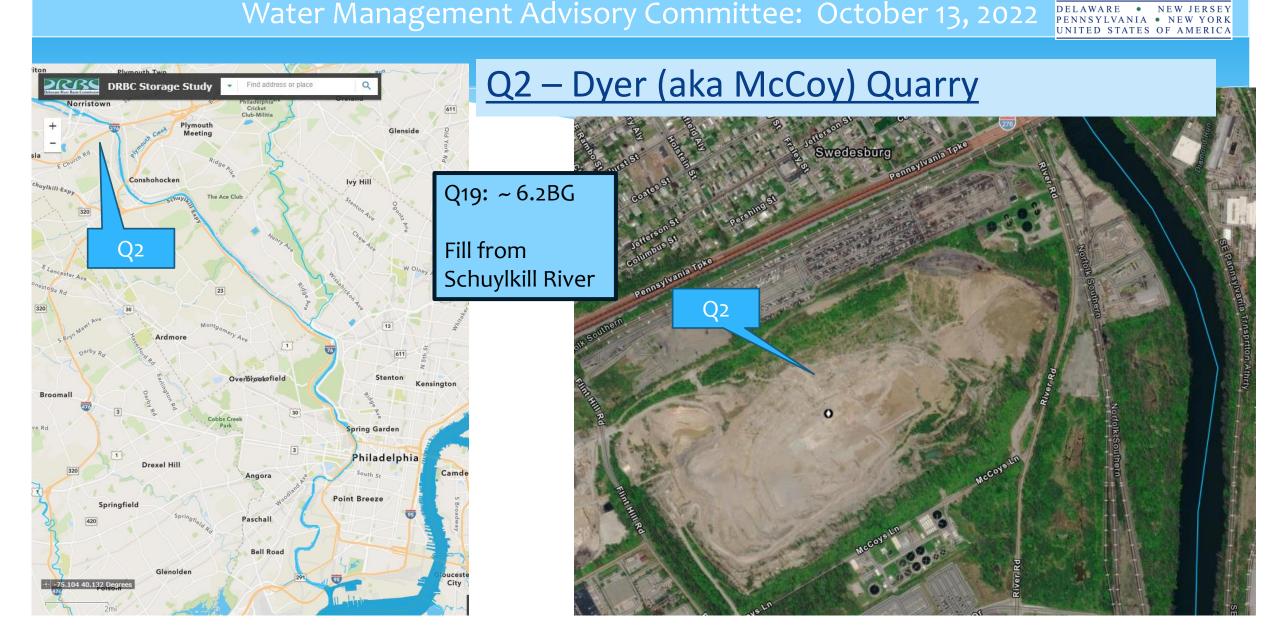
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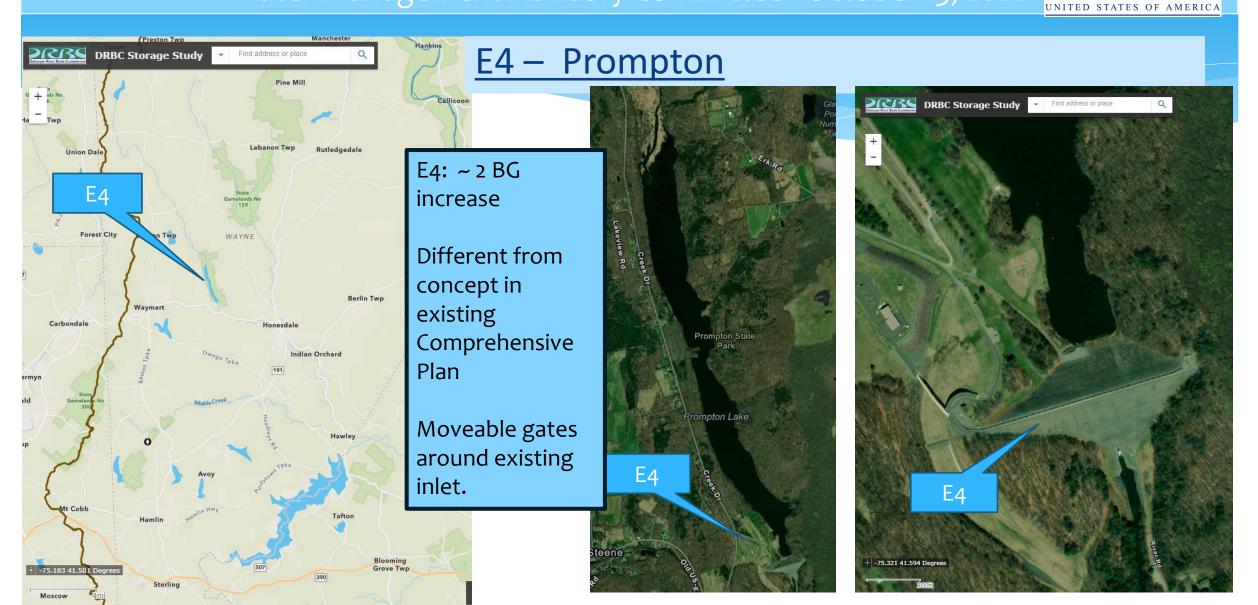




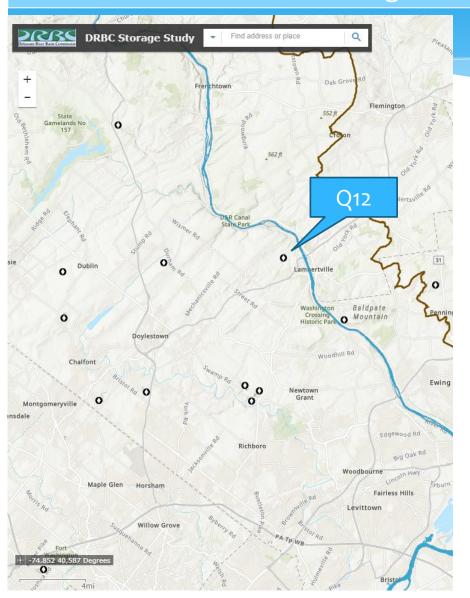
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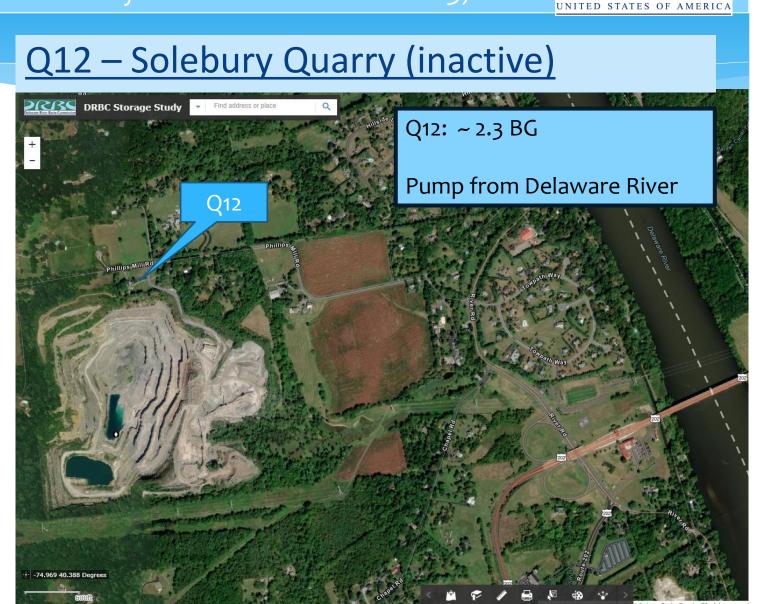
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Q12 – Solebury Quarry (inactive)

Q12: ~ 2.3 BG

Pump from Delaware River



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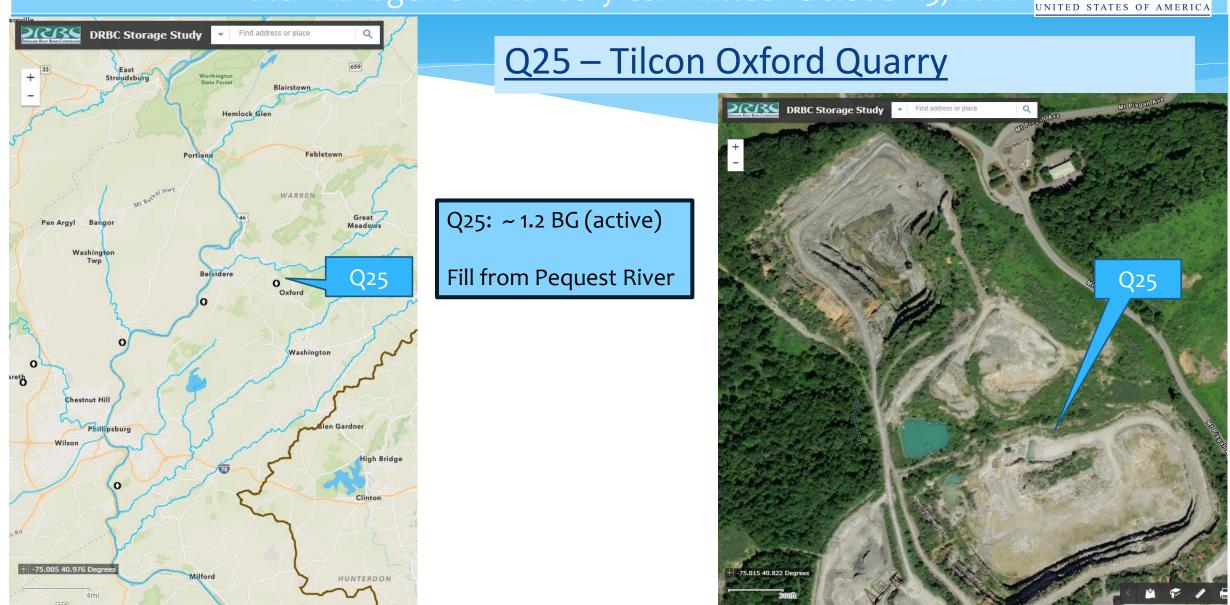
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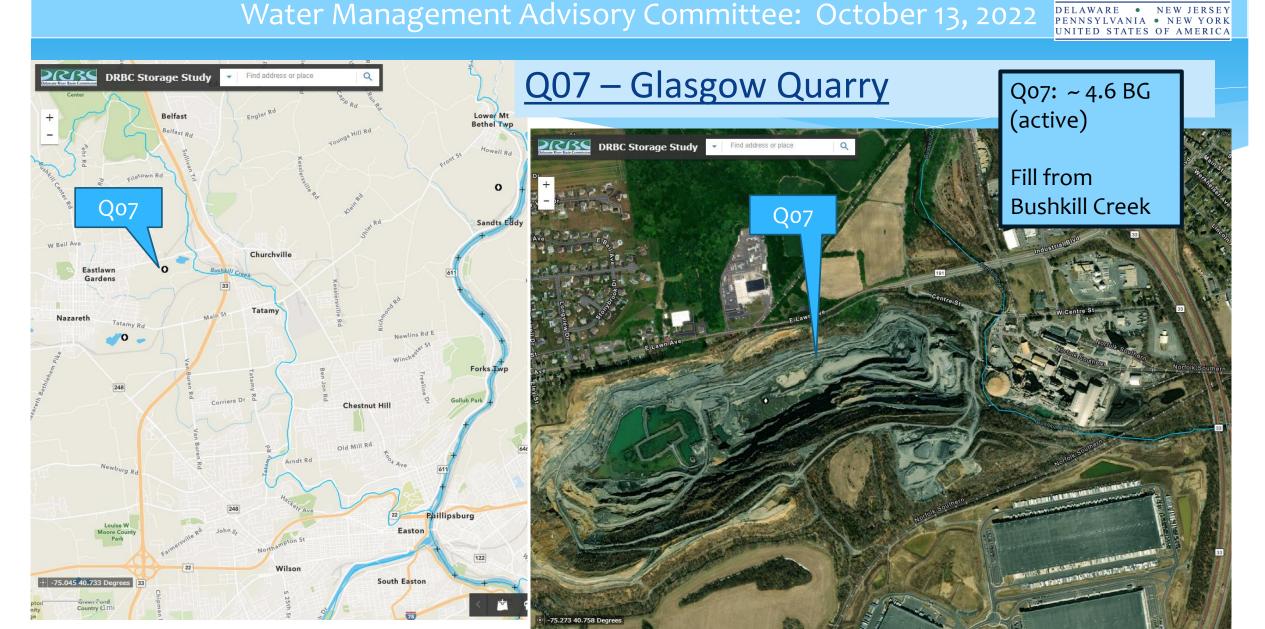
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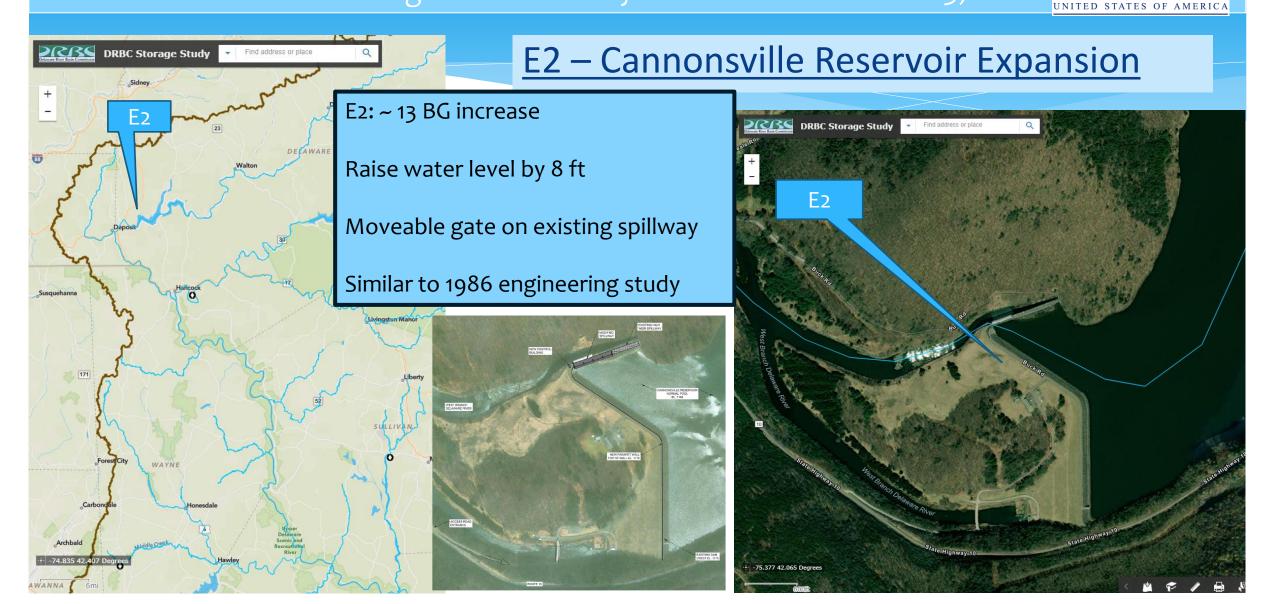


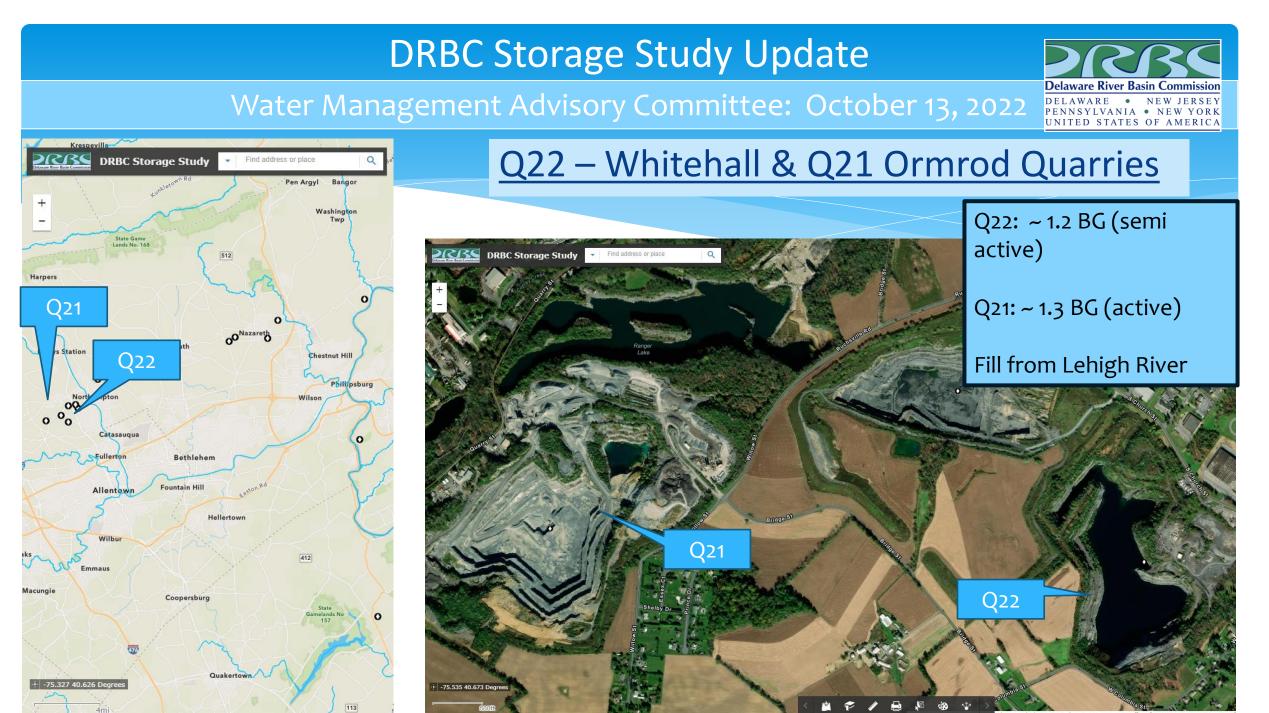
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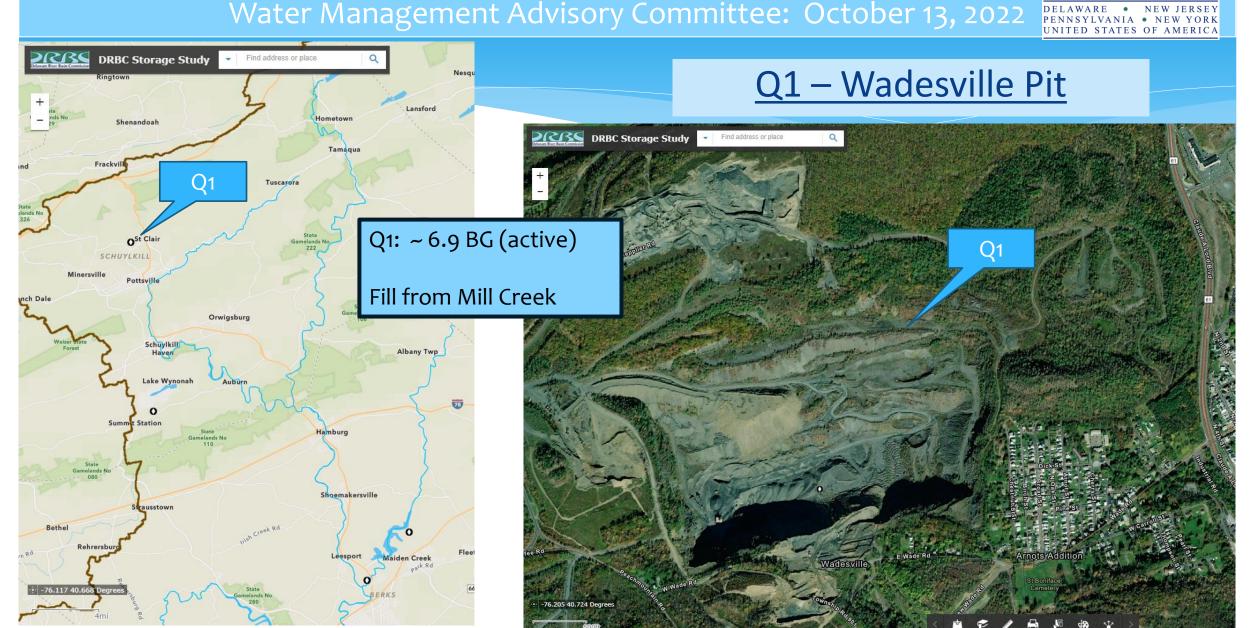
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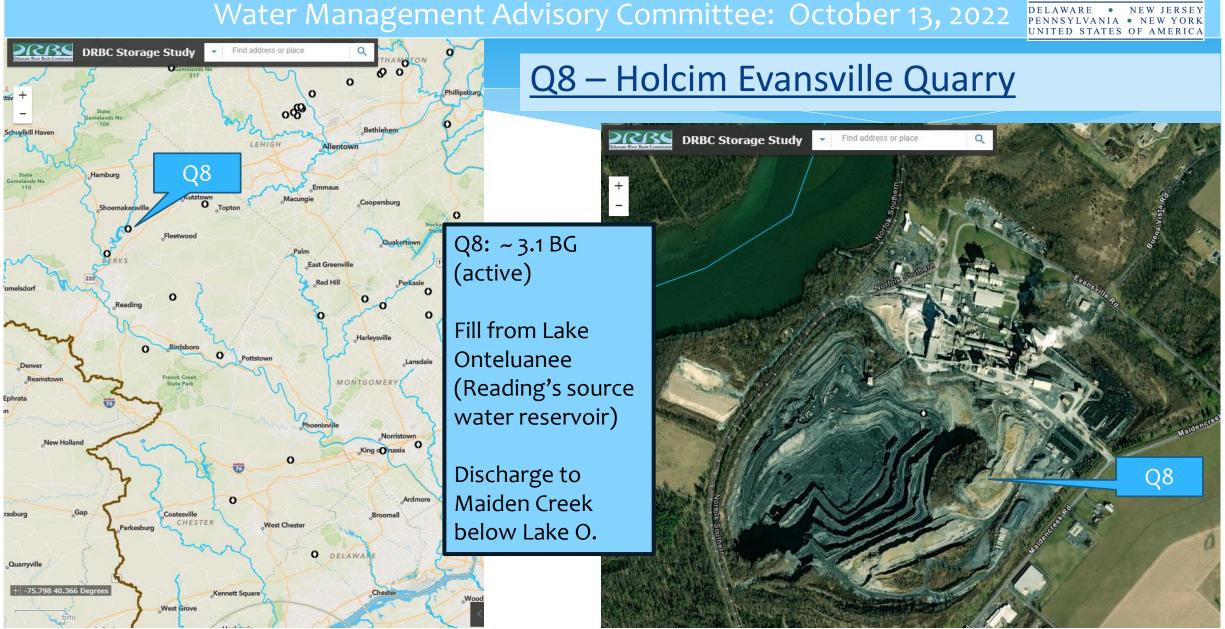
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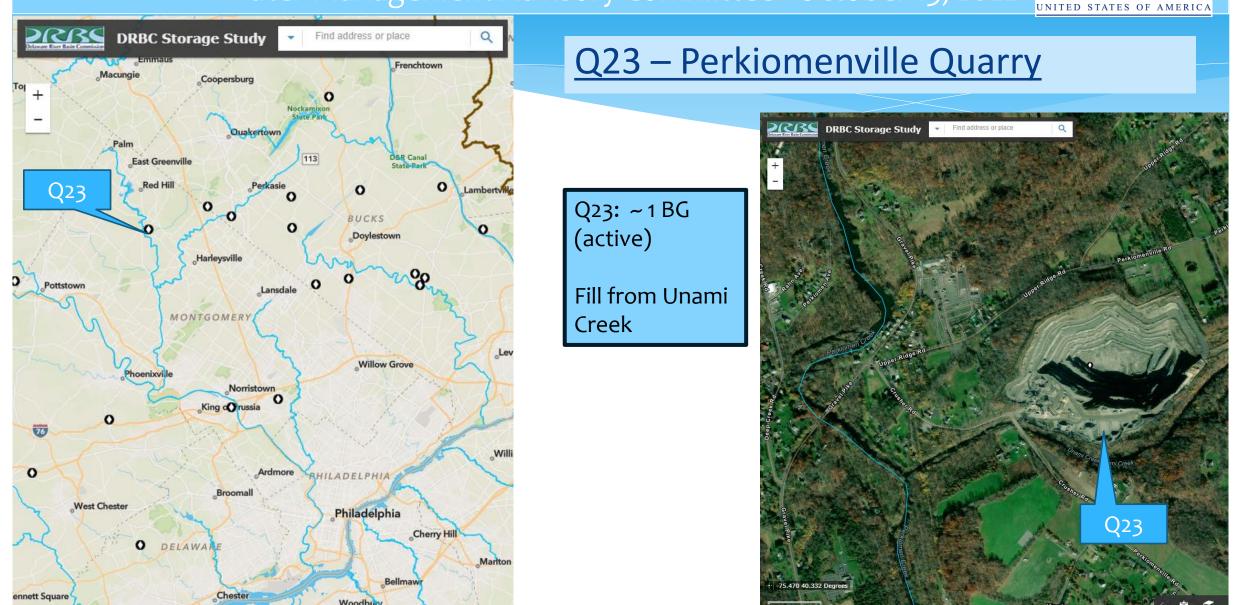
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Q23

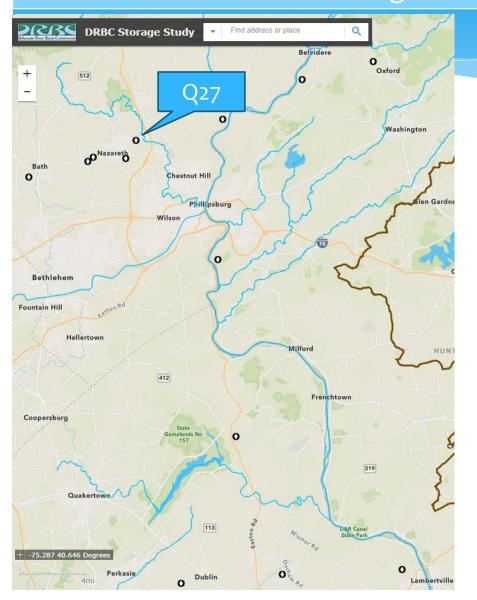
Q23 – Perkiomenville Quarry

Q23: ~1 BG (active)

Fill from Unami Creek

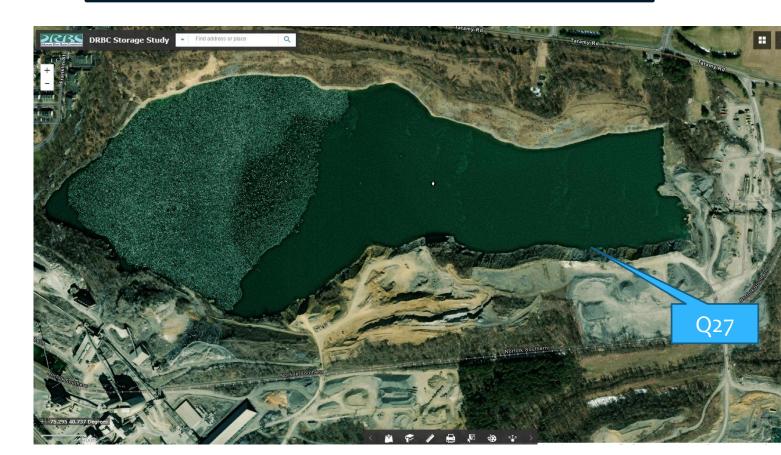


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Q27 – NESL Nazareth Quarry

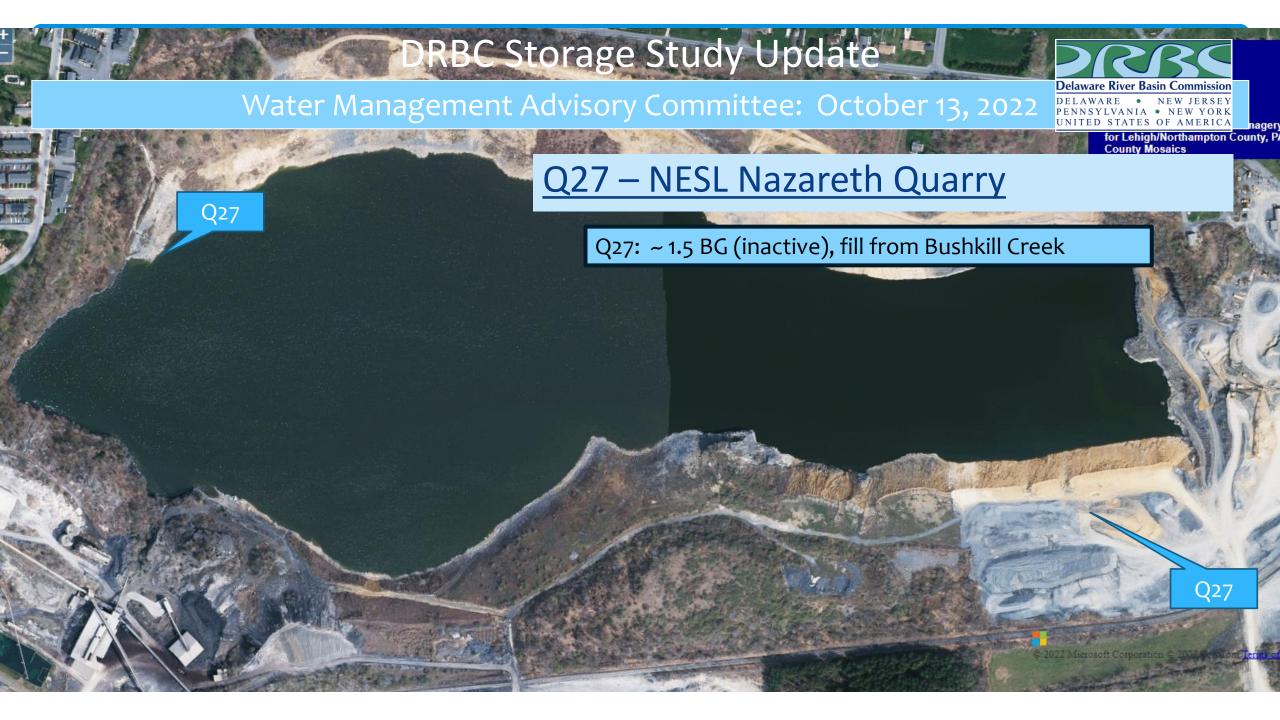
Q27: ~ 1.5 BG (inactive), fill from Bushkill Creek



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Next Steps

 Commissioner review
 Finalize comments and publish

