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**Purpose.** To remind users of PA Soils Information of the Annual Refresh and Update of PA Soil Survey Databases.

**Effective Date.** This notice is effective upon receipt.

**Explanation of Changes.** As part of the national effort to update soil properties based on MLRA Boundaries and provide consistency of soils data across county boundaries, many soil survey projects impacting PA, have been completed and recently posted to the national server. Based on soils data evaluated and National Calculations, some soil properties and associated interpretations may have change and soil map unit composition adjusted. Some examples of changes are soil texture, depth to bedrock or other restrictive feature, water table information, K factor, T factor, Hydrologic Soils Group, RUSLE Attributes, soil map unit name and soil map unit composition to name a few.

To access and or download the current version of soils information for the county of Interest by visiting Web Soil Survey directly at:

<http://websoilsurvey.nrcs.usda.gov/app/WebSoilSurvey.aspx>

If you have any questions relating to the Annual Refresh of Soils Data or concerns about what version of soils data you are accessing please feel free to contact your Resource Soil Science for your area, the GIS Team in the State Office or Joe Kraft, State Soil Scientist.

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