# YORK COUNTY WIP 3

A COUNTYWIDE ACTION PLAN FOR CLEAN WATER

### York County Snapshot

- 72 municipalities (47 are MS4s)
- 446,078 residents (2017)
- 2,171 farms (2012)
- Multitude of non-agriculture land uses

Goal: Reduce 4m pounds of Nitrogen by 2025

## WIP Development Process

<u>Leadership Role:</u> York County Planning Commission & York County Conservation District Staff

Planning Team: York County Coalition for Clean Waters (Muni's, ag community, watershed assoc., utilities, environmental orgs, interested residents, and others)

- ✓ Developed a prior WIP for York County in 2013
- ✓ Included actions/strategies/solutions to clean up local waters
- ✓ Laid the groundwork for preparing the WIP 3

#### **Planning Meetings:**

- ✓ Kick-off Meeting June 29, 2018
- ✓ Met bi-weekly through November
- ✓ Followed process outlined in the WIP Community Clean Water Tool Box
- ✓ Invited new stakeholders to participate
- ✓ Much discussion and input from Coalition



- Implementation of the recommended State/County programmatic changes
- Ample funding
- Willing landowners
- Buy in from the public

## **Outcome of Plan**

#### **Four-Prong Strategy:**

- 1. State level Programmatic Changes to enable the success of County WIPs
- 2. Policy and funding actions for the County and/or municipalities
- 3. Implementation of a mix of Urban and Ag Water Quality BMPs
- 4. Water quality actions achievable through funding programs administered by the Conservation District

Opportunity to share local concerns, initiatives, and needs with DEP and EPA