

## HOURGLASS

Unlocking the Potential of Outdoor Recreation in Lancaster County



## Outdoor Economy Development in Pennsylvania

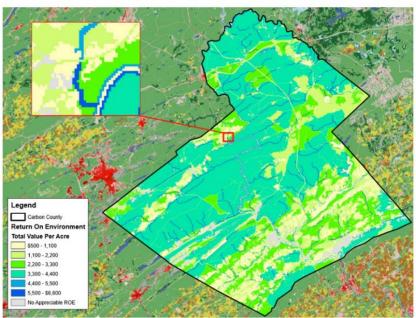
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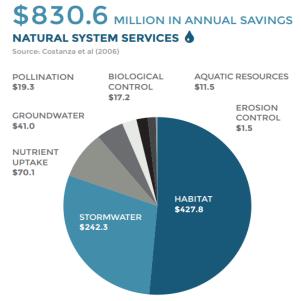
#### FIGURE 06 // CARBON COUNTY ROE MAP



While difficult to see from a map at this scale, the highest ROE is in green corridors along streams and creeks, with the second highest being ridges and slopes. See the map cutout.



The Economic Value of Protected Open Space in Southeastern Pennsylvania



Lehigh Valley Return on Environmen



Lehigh Valley Planning Commission 2014

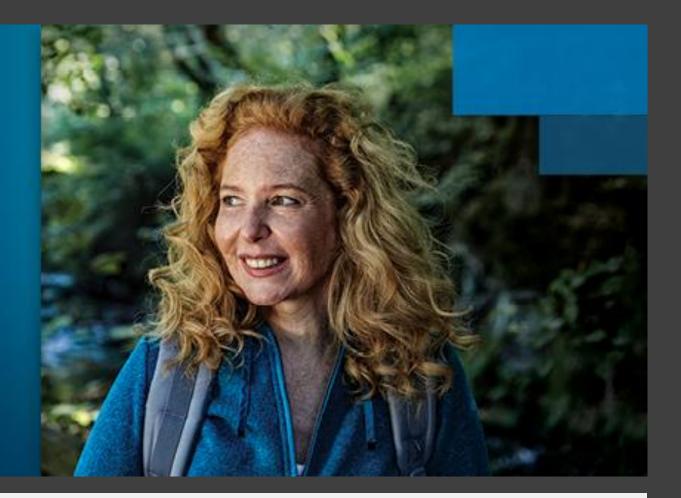
Outdoor Infrastructure is Green Infrastructure

- Stormwater management
- Temperature regulation
- Habitat connectivity
- Air & water purification

#### Return on Environment

- Ecosystem services
- Property values
- Tourism & commercial opportunities
- Health & healthcare

## **More fresh air.** Less hot air.



Capital Blue Cross

Health

**Benefits** 

 Reduced
 Reduced

 Physical + Mental
 X Population = Public Health = healthcare

 costs

## "...parks are the best idea we ever had. Absolutely American, absolutely democratic, they reflect us at our best"

Wallace Stenger

## Macroeconomics



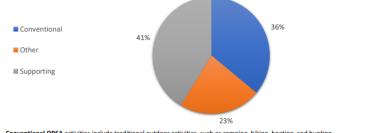
Outdoor Recreation Satellite Account

#### 2022—Pennsylvania

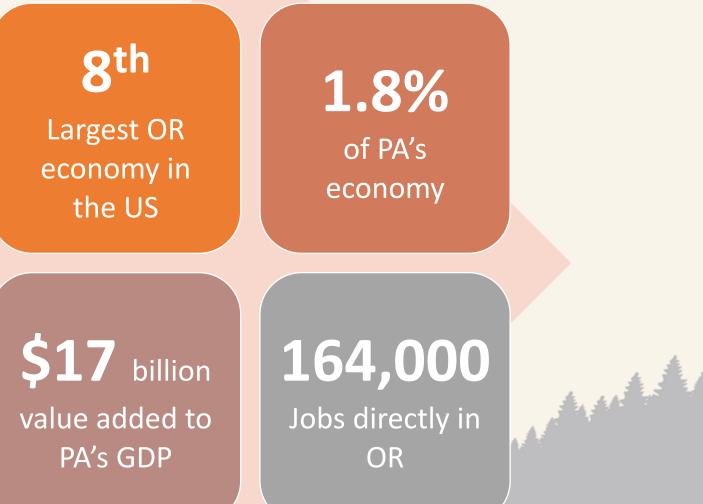
Value added [gross domestic product]		Employment		Compensation	
ORSA total	Share of state	ORSA total	Share of state	ORSA total	Share of state
\$16.9 billion	1.8%	164,344 jobs	2.7%	\$7.7 billion	1.5%

Value Added by Select ORSA Activity [Thousands of dollars]						
Activity	2020	2021	2022	State rank		
RVing	567,292	808,463	863,745	11		
Motorcycling / ATVing	530,357	546,662	583,164	4		
Boating / fishing	561,817	566,189	575,541	19		
Hunting / shooting / trapping	318,038	341,941	342,859	9		
Equestrian	186,955	193,116	207,826	6		
Snow activities	129,572	158,578	207,804	9		
Climbing / hiking / tent camping	171,067	154,880	178,953	8		
Bicycling	127,867	107,177	114,120	6		
Recreational flying	25,150	34,181	86,406	9		

Value-Added Composition of Outdoor Recreation Activities



Conventional ORSA activities include traditional outdoor activities, such as camping, hiking, boating, and hunting. Other ORSA activities include those that take place outside, such as gardening and outdoor concerts. Supporting ORSA activities are those that contribute to the core activities and include such things as construction, travel and tourism, local trips, and government expenditures.



## **Outdoors** Communities



Outdoor Recreation + Historic Downtown + Cultural Services = High Quality of Life

High Quality of Life = Population Growth + Employment

## Mission

# Unite, grow, and strengthen Pennsylvania's outdoor economy

**Outdoor Industry** 

Community & Economic Development Green Infrastructure & Public Health Cost Savings



## Core Strategy: Build Outdoor Industry Capacity

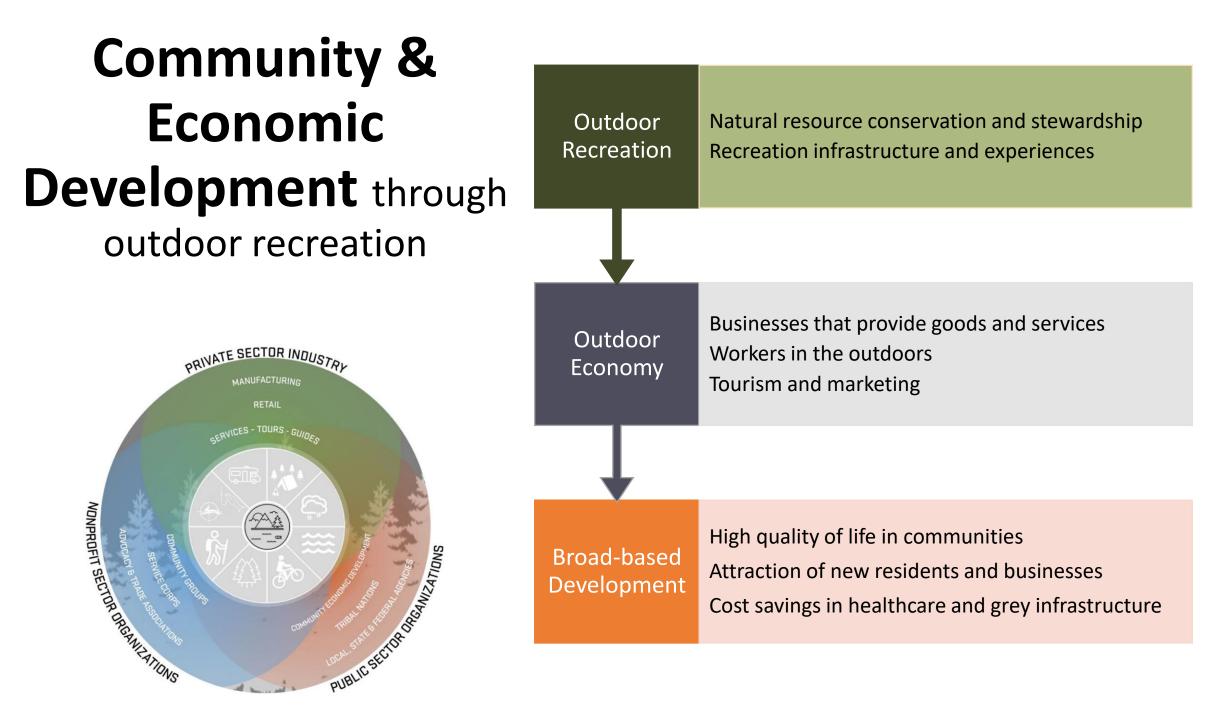


Core Strategy: **Build Capacity** for Community and Economic Development through the **Outdoors** 

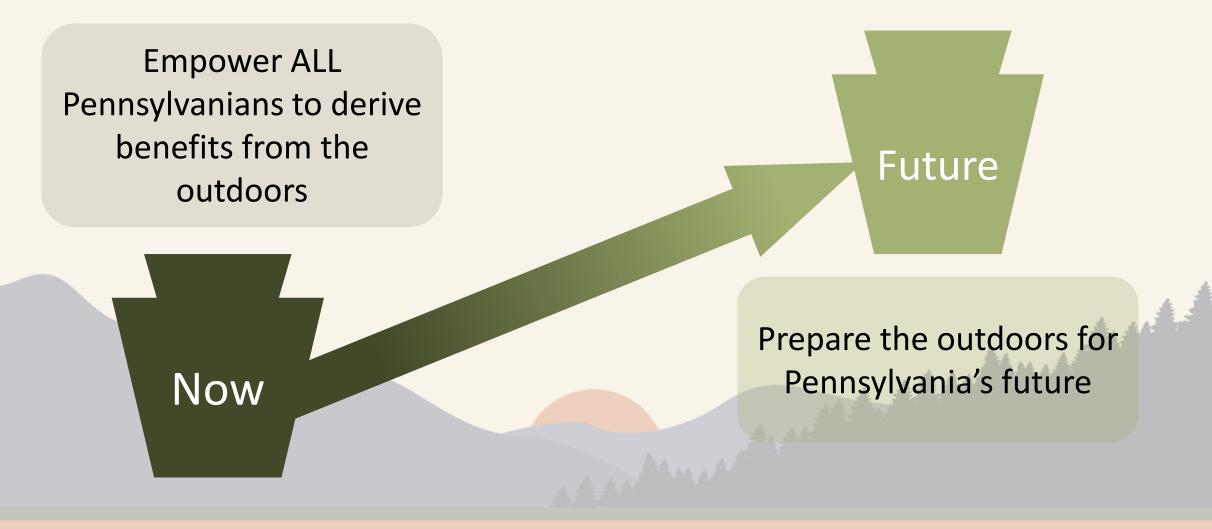
Steer policy and funding for Pennsylvania's benefit

Expand capacity to capitalize on policy and funding

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# *Core Strategy:* Build Capacity for Inclusive and Equitable Wellbeing through the Outdoors





#### Producers of outdoor gear

- design
- manufacture
- distribution
- retail
- repair

of outdoor clothing, equipment, and vehicles

#### Providers of outdoor experiences

- guides and trip planners
- outfitters and rental shops
- ski area, hut and fish lodges
- adventure centers
- event organizers
- hospitality outdoor recreationists

Pennsylvania's Outdoor Industry \$17 billion

164,000 jobs

#### Professionals supporting outdoor recreation

- planners and designers
- map and guidebook makers
- data providers and researchers
- educators and trainers
- photographers, videographers, journalists, artists
- accountants, attorneys, consultants
- public-sector employees and leaders

## Outdoor Economy Advocacy

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Business

Policy

Outdoor Industry Association Outdoor Recreation Roundtable

State Outdoor Business Alliance Network

Confluence of States

State Outdoor Business Alliances State Offices of Outdoor Recreation Lots of Collaboration

### State Outdoor Business Alliances (2023; according to SOBAN)

#### ALASKA

Alaska Outdoor Alliance

#### ARIZONA Get Outdoor Arizona

#### **BRITISH COLUMBIA**

Kootenay Outdoor Recreation Enterprise (KORE) Initiative

#### CALIFORNIA

California Outdoor Recreation Partnership

#### COLORADO

Colorado Outdoor Business Alliance

Pikes Peak Outdoor Recreation Alliance

#### CONNECTICUT

Connecticut Outdoor Recreation Alliance

#### IDAHO

Idaho Business for the Outdoors

#### MAINE

Maine Outdoor Brands

MICHIGAN Land of Outsiders

#### MONTANA

**Business for Montana's Outdoors** 

#### NEVADA

Nevada Outdoor Business Coalition

#### NEW HAMPSHIRE

Granite Outdoor Alliance

#### **NEW YORK**

New York Outdoor Recreation Coalition

#### **NEW MEXICO**

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#### NORTH CAROLINA

MADE X MTNS Partnership

North Carolina Outdoor Recreation Coalition

**Outdoor Business Alliance of WNC** 

#### OREGON

Oregon Outdoor Alliance

#### UTAH

Utah Outdoor Association

#### VERMONT

Vermont Outdoor Business Alliance

#### WASHINGTON

Big Tent Outdoor Recreation Coalition

## Advocacy Roles

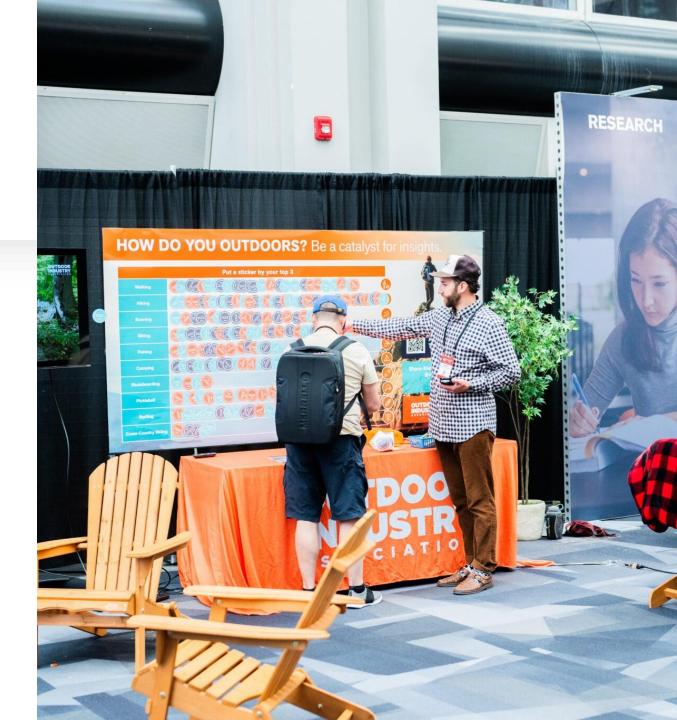
Trade & Regulatory Issues

Community & Economic Development

Outdoor Clientele Expansion

Community & Economic Development

Conservation & Infrastructure







#### **ABOUT ROCK LITITZ**

Rock Lititz is a one of a kind production community that supports innovative creativity within the live event industry. With resources ranging from design, engineering and manufacturing through rehearsals, and beyond, Rock Lititz is a one-stop-shop to collaborate on any live experience.



About Us Capabilities







## **INNOVATING SOLUTIONS**

Our factory is more than a production site. With alliances like Juki, Autodesk and Advanced Robotics for Manufacturing, we're testing and implementing emerging technologies, bringing the next generation of innovation, automation and technology to the forefront to address real problems facing our industry. And we're doing it with people, ensuring they are part of the process as we pilot technology solutions to help prepare them for industry 4.0.



## SHOPHOUSE PARK

## OUTDOOR RECREATION INNOVATION HUB

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Marquette, Michigan Target Opening 2024

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#### Outdoor Opportunity Funds

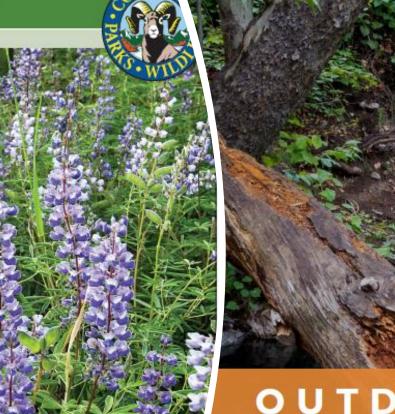
#### Purpose

To enhance participation in and access to the outdoor industry and outdoor economy by and for historically underrepresented communities.

#### COLORADO PARKS & WILDL

#### Colorado Outdoor Equity Grant

23 GUIDELINES

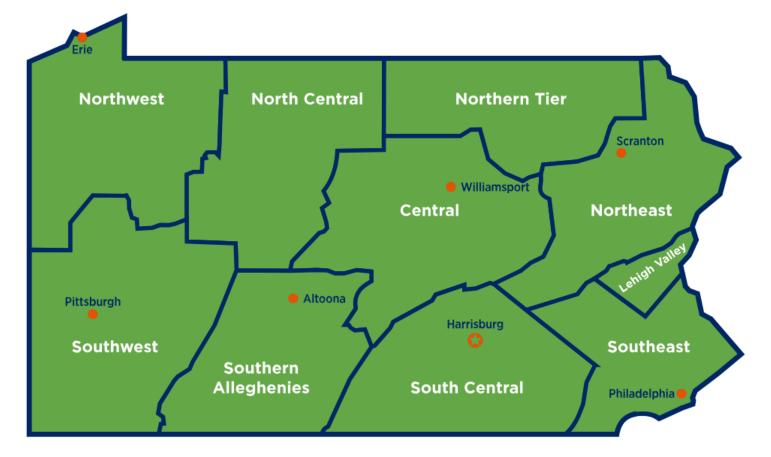


OUTDOOR EQUITY FUND 2023 PROGRAM GUIDE

NEW MEXICO OUTDOOR RECREATION DIVISION

## Building Local & Regional Capacity

- Local Development Districts
- Economic Development Orgs.
- Chambers of Commerce
- Trail & Recreation Authorities
- Planning Commissions
- Conservation Districts
- Main Streets & Downtowns
- Arts & Cultural Trusts



## Thank you very much

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### Thank you very much We are looking forward to walking this path with you...

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Lancaster Conservancy

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