

SCHUYLKILL RIVER



RESTORATION FUND

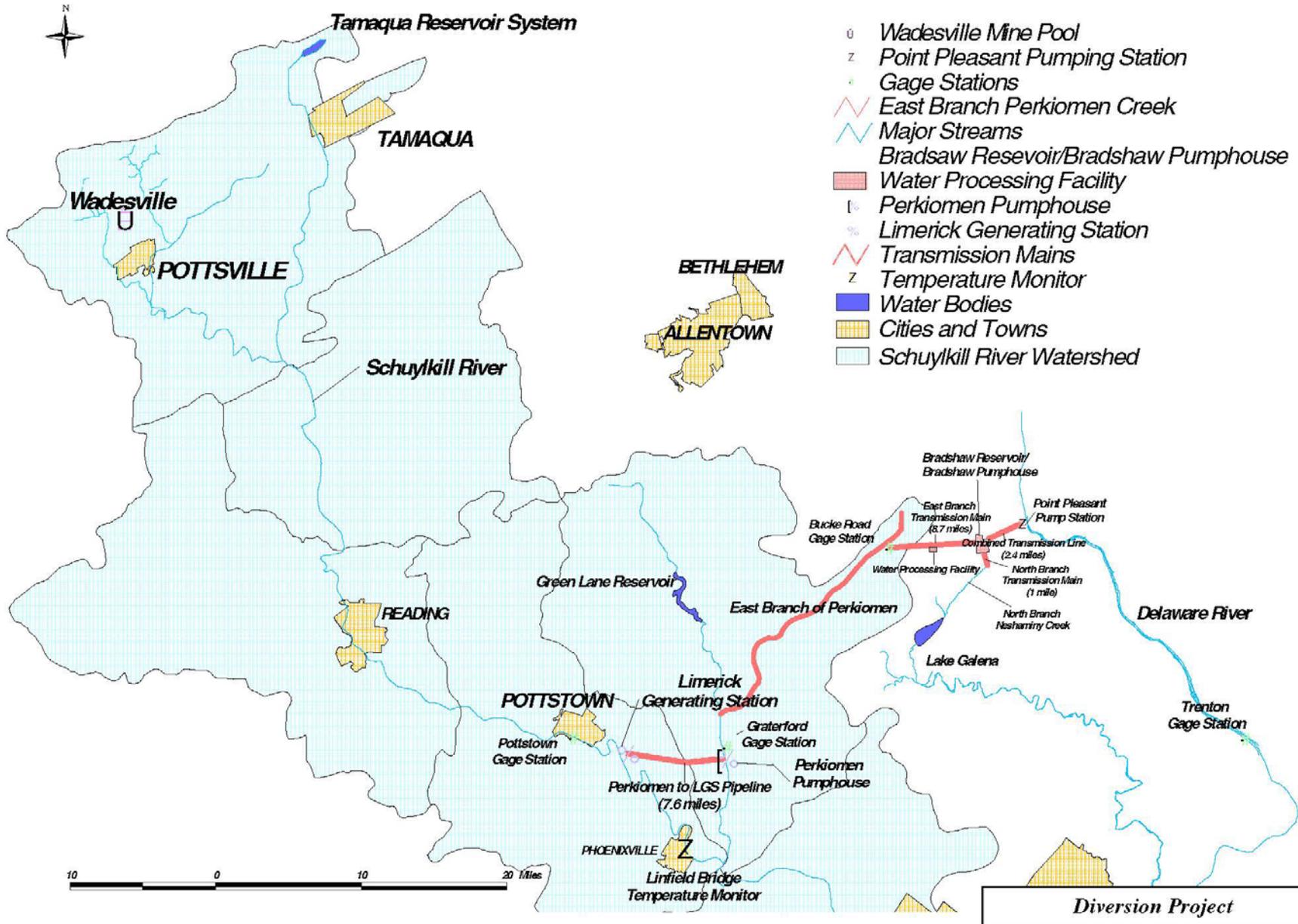
PROGRAM GENESIS

- **Delaware River Basin Commission**
 - Multi state commission (NY, PA, NJ, DE)
 - Oversight of Delaware basin water usage

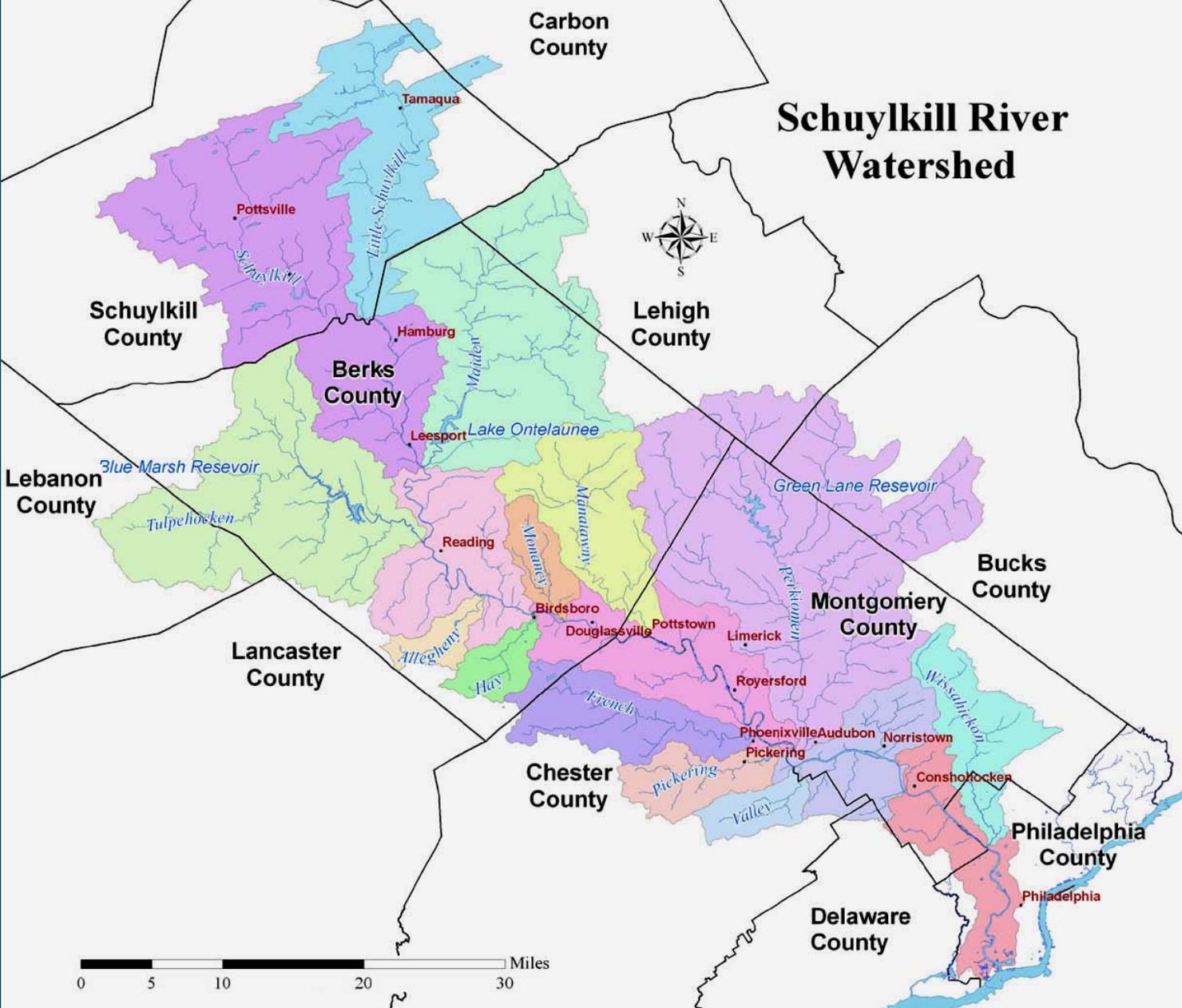
- **Exelon – Limerick Generating Station**
 - Two reactors commission in 1986 & 1990
 - Provides electricity for 2 million households
 - What do nuclear

PROGRAM GENESIS

- DRBC water withdrawal regulations on LGS
- Delaware River diversion water supply
- Wadesville Mine



Schuylkill River Watershed



PROGRAM CREATION

- 2006 - Pilot Program was created
 - “To undertake implementation projects that will improve the quality and quantity of water in the Schuylkill River and its tributaries.”*
- Advisory Team formed
- Program Guidelines and funding criteria
 - Implementation projects focusing on abandoned mine drainage, agricultural remediation's and stormwater projects*
- First grant awards made

PROGRAM

GROWTH & SUCCESS

- Additional funders
- Expanded Funding Criteria to include high priority land conservation
- Project stats
 - 114 projects funded in 14 years
 - Over 30 agricultural farm projects completed
 - Over 12,000' of streambank restored
 - 6 Philadelphia school projects
 - Almost 2,000 acres of open space preserved
- Unique public/private partnership

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Application process

- Letter or Intent & Full Application
- Grant cycle begins in January with full applications due in May
- Grant awards made in June
- Projects have 3 years to be completed

Criteria

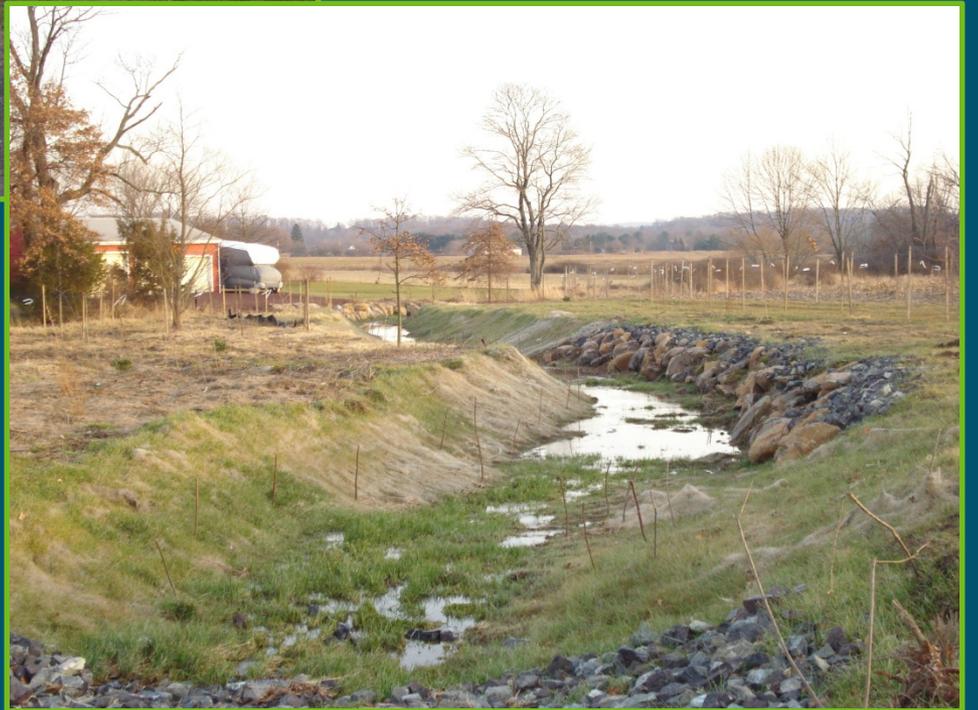
- To improve the quality and/or quantity of water
- Exhibits high standards of planning and design
- Relationship to previous watershed restoration efforts
- Consistent with local, state, federal, or other plans
- Positioned for implementation with project design substantially complete and needing little or no additional planning
- Exhibits innovative, green and sustainable approaches and design
- Grant funds may not be used for projects being undertaken exclusively to meet state, federal or local regulations and requirements
- Leverage the resources of two or more partners
- Will utilize volunteers

STORMWATER PROJECTS

- 40 stormwater projects totaling \$1,149,340 funded since 2006



- Basin Retrofits
- Streambank Stabilization
- Riparian Buffers
- Headwater Restoration
- Native Plantings
- Schoolyard & Park improvements







Log vane deflector



Root wads



Mudsill





WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT?



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QUESTIONS?

