

## **PHASE 7 Land Use: CONSTRUCTION**

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## **Proposed Rollup of High-Res Land Use Classes for Phase 7**

#### 1. Impervious, Roads

20 Roads

#### 2. Impervious, Non-Roads

- 21 Structures
- 22 Other Impervious (Parking lots, driveways)
- 31 Extractive Impervious

#### 3. Tree Canopy Over Impervious

23 TC over Roads

24 TC over Structures

25 TC over Other Impervious

#### 4. Turf Grass

27 Turf Grass

#### 5. Tree Canopy over Turf Grass

26 Tree Canopy over Turf Grass

#### 6. Solar Infrastructure

32 Solar Field Panel Arrays

#### 7. Solar Pervious

34 Solar Field Herbaceous 35 Solar Field Shrubland

#### Blue = mapped 56-class schema White = Phase 7 schema

#### 8. Compacted Pervious

- 30 Extractive Barren
- 36 Suspended Succession Barren
- 37 Suspended Succession Herbaceous
- 38 Suspended Succession Shrubland
- 43 Natural Succession Herbaceous (urban areas)

#### 9. Construction

- 28 Bare Developed
- 33 Solar Field Barren
- 42 Natural Succession Barren (Urban areas

Reported Data from States

#### 9. Forest

- 40 Forest
- 41 Tree Canopy, Other
- 43 Natural Succession Herbaceous (rural areas)
- 44 Natural Succession Shrubland
- 53 Riverine Wetlands Tree Canopy
- 54 Riverine Wetlands Forest
- 63 Terrene Wetlands Tree Canopy
- 64 Terrene Wetlands Forest

#### 15. Harvested Forest (2)

- 45 Harvested Forest Barren
- 46 Harvested Forest Herbaceous
- 42 Natural Succession Barren (Rural areas)

Reported Data from States

#### 10. Wetlands, Riverine Non-forested

- 50 Riverine Wetlands Barren
- 51 Riverine Wetlands Herbaceous
- 52 Riverine Wetlands Shrubland
- 55 Riverine Wetlands Harvested Forest

#### 11. Wetlands, Terrene Non-forested

- 60 Terrene Wetlands Barren
- 61 Terrene Wetlands Herbaceous
- 62 Terrene Wetlands Shrubland
- 65 Terrene Wetlands Harvested Forest

#### 12. Cropland

- 80 Cropland Barren
- 81 Cropland Herbaceous
- 82 Orchards and Vineyards Barren
- 83 Orchards and Vineyards Herbaceous
- 84 Orchards and Vineyards Shrubland

#### 13. Pasture and Hay

- 85 Pasture and Hay Barren
- 86 Pasture and Hay Herbaceous

#### 14. Water

- 11 Lakes & Reservoirs
- 12 Riverine Ponds
- 13 Terrene Ponds
- 14 Streams and Rivers (visible water)
- 15 Bare Shore- adjacent to lakes







# Natural Succession Barren

Only ~28,500 acres in the watershed, 0.07% of total land area.

## **Phase 6 Construction**

## **Option 1: Reported by states**

- Permitted (E&S) disturbed area per year per county;
- Allocated from county to land-river segments in proportion to mapped developed area;
- Subtracted from mapped developed area in each land-river segment

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## **Option 2: Mapped by CBPO**

- 1.29 \* (estimated annual change in impervious surfaces in each land-river segment) in non-mapped years;
- Mapped bare construction + natural succession-barren acres for mapping years;
- Subtracted from mapped developed area in each land-river segment.

## **Phase 7 Construction - considerations**

## Why map construction?

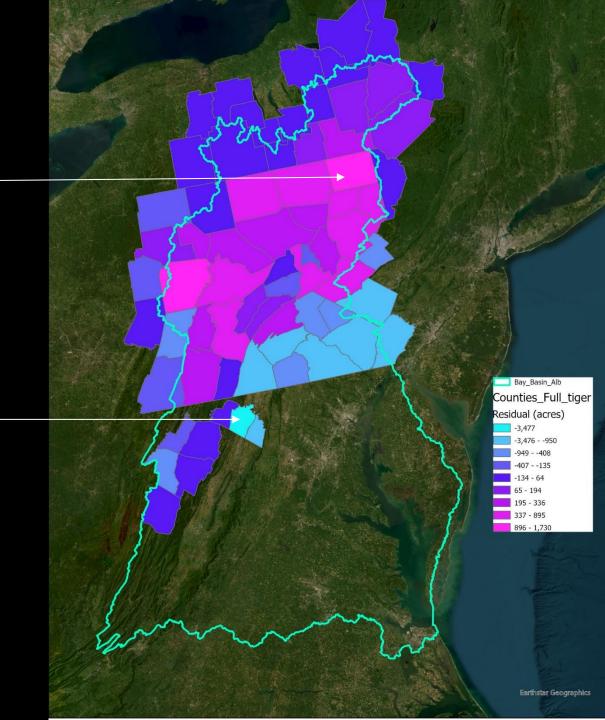
- Exposed and disturbed soil is prone to erosion and contributes nutrients and sediment to streams even when permitted with Erosion and Sediment Control BMPs.
- Average noBMP loading rates (lbs./acre/yr.): 21.7 TN, 3.5 TP, and 8025 SED
- Average WIP loading rates (lbs./acre/yr.): 19.4 TN, 3.5 TP, and 2337 SED

## Difference between reported and mapped construction

- Reported construction represents permitted disturbed areas, potentially averaged over multiple years and may not reflect actual disturbed areas.
- Mapped construction represents bare ground areas that are presumed to be associated with the land development process but include all non-ag unvegetated areas.

Mapped land use overestimates reported construction

Mapped land use underestimates reported construction





## Questions to consider

Should the CBP transition to relying on remotely-sensed construction post-2012 in place of reported construction?

How should the estimation of construction from remotely-sensed data be refined for Phase 7?

How should the <u>reporting</u> of construction be refined for Phase 7? (e.g., submit polygons)