



# 2018 Forest Buffer Progress

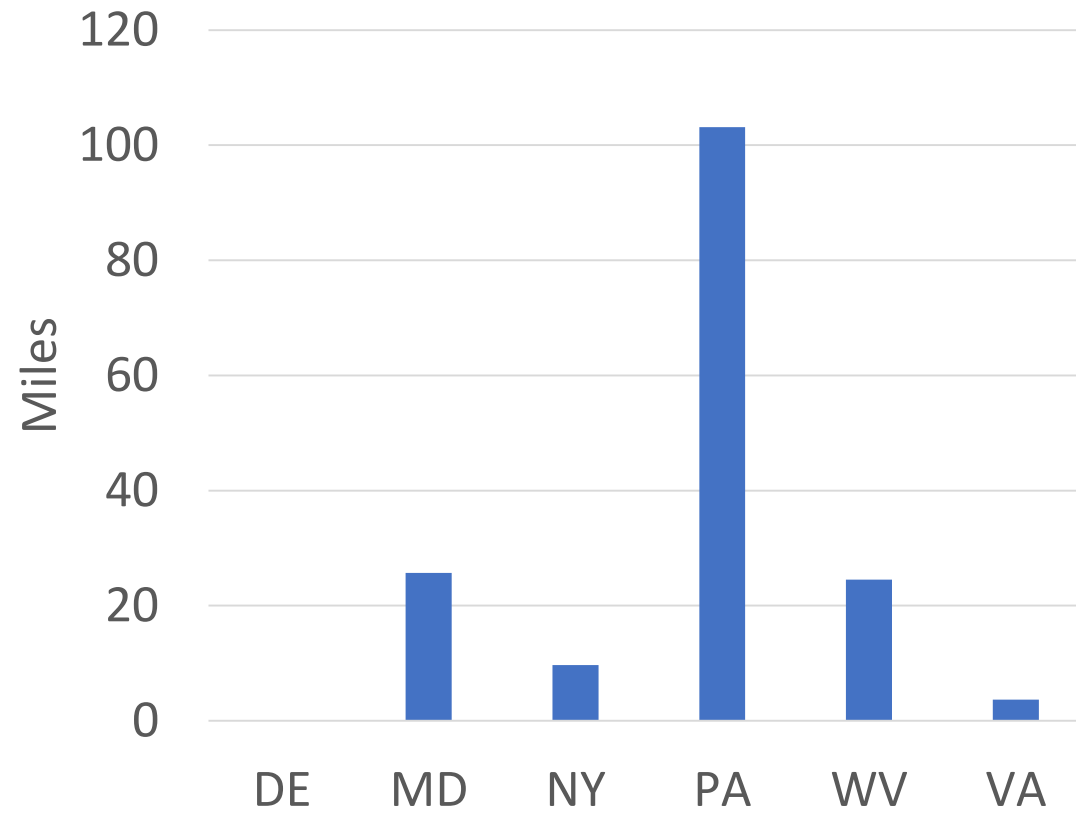
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# Approach for calculating buffer progress

- Official progress runs in CAST eliminate all of the buffers that expired
  - These show negative progress!
- It is possible to filter out expired buffers in NEIEN data, but:
  - NEIEN data is always changing
  - State-level reporting
- CBP can create custom, “no expiration” CAST scenarios based on current NEIEN data
  - BMPs included: Ag forest buffers, Ag forest buffers on fenced pasture corridors, Urban forest buffers
  - Pulled credited acres from both 2017 and 2018 and calculated the difference
  - Used the difference (# of acres added) and average historic buffer width by state to calculate miles added

## 2018 New Buffer Miles added



# Miles of Riparian Forest Buffers Planted in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed, 1996-2018

