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DNREC Coronavirus Updates

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The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) takes a proactive and preventive approach to keep communities and employees safe during the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak. Department staff continue their mission to serve the people of Delaware, but with some changes based on guidance from State and Federal health agencies.

The goal is to provide core services at the highest level of competency while protecting the health of staff and customers. That means using social distancing to limit group contact and reduce the spread of the virus.

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DNREC is operating, but with most staff working remotely. We remain available by email and phone as resources to the public, contractors, and consultants.

During the outbreak, some office staff may be reassigned to field inspections and site visits, as needed, in low-risk areas where individual contact can be limited.

Meetings and Events

DNREC is **canceling in-person meetings and events** of 10 or more people. Cancellations are posted on the [DNREC events calendar](#). Cancellations are posted generally two weeks in advance of planned meetings.

All [DNREC public hearings](#) will be **virtual hearings** until further notice. DNREC hearings will continue to be as transparent and accessible to the public as possible, given public health concerns. The new approach will ensure that the public continues to hear all details about the subjects of all DNREC hearings.

There will continue to be verbatim transcripts prepared by a court reporter. DNREC will continue to post all exhibits entered into the hearing record on hearing-specific web pages. The public will be able to submit comments about the subject of each hearing via email, online form, or regular mail.

Each hearing record will remain open for at least 15 days following each hearing date. This will ensure that everyone wanting to offer comment for inclusion into the hearing record will be able to do so. For details about an upcoming public hearing, please visit the webpage dedicated to that hearing.

Find What You Are Looking For

Septic Permits (Kent & New Castle)	Scott Eichholz	302.739.9947
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Sediment and Stormwater Program	Jamie Rutherford	302.608.5463
Beach Preservation Program	Jennifer Pongratz	302.242.9939
Hunting & Fishing Licenses	Danielle Davis	302.739.9918
Underground Storage Tank Registrations		302.395.2500

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302.739.9402

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Moving Business Online

DNREC offers [online options](#) for many of its permitting and licensing applications such as [licenses, permits, registrations, stamps and conservation access passes](#) from the Division of Fish & Wildlife.

All submittals (permit applications, monitoring reports etc.) should be made online or via email. Payments should be made online, where possible, or by check via mail. Check the web page for individual permitting and licensing programs for more information.

Submittals and payments can be dropped off at the DNREC Visitor Center in Dover or at most satellite offices. Note that we will hold your dropped-off materials for a minimum of 24-hours of “no-contact” before sorting and processing.

Any **walk-in customers should call ahead** and schedule an appointment before coming to a DNREC Office. [Contact information](#) is available on the main website and on [Division-specific web pages](#).

The Great Outdoors is Open, Park Buildings, Campsites and Beaches are Closed

Delaware’s [state parks](#) and [wildlife areas](#) have plenty of space for you to get outside and get some needed fresh air and exercise while maintaining that socially-acceptable distance of six feet or so. And there are **no entrance fees** until April 30.

All state park buildings, such as park offices and nature centers, and all state park campsites, cabins, cottages, yurts and playgrounds are closed. Campground reservations have been cancelled through May 15. Full refunds will be issued for reservations scheduled during that time. Refunds and reservation cancellations will be processed by the Delaware State Parks reservation vendor. For more information, call 877-98 PARKS (877-987-2757).

All Delaware beaches are closed until May 15 or until the public health threat of COVID-19 has been eliminated. Beach access from within Cape Henlopen, Delaware Seashore and Fenwick Island state parks is prohibited. Parking and fishing at the Indian River Inlet within Delaware Seashore State Park is permitted.

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