



HAVE YOU SEEN THE NEW CURRICULUM?

"SUSTAINING PENN'S WOODS - A SOUND USE OF THE LAND"

In the fall of 2000, Pennsylvania schools received "Sustaining Penn's Woods - A Sound Use of the Land." This curriculum is designed to help you and your students in grades five through 10 to meet Pennsylvania's new Academic Standards for Environment & Ecology.

Check with your school to be sure it received a copy of **Sustaining Penn's Woods** from the intermediate unit. Review and use the **Sustaining Penn's Woods** curriculum materials. They are what teachers have been asking for – information specific to Pennsylvania forest issues.

The curriculum material discusses Pennsylvania's 17 million acres of forestland, which covers 59% of the state. It talks about jobs – one in every 10 or nearly 100,000 of the state's manufacturing jobs are in the wood products industry, one of our state's largest.

Modeled after the Project Learning Tree (PLT) program, **Sustaining Penn's Woods** includes information on these and other topics:

- Historical perspectives
- Pennsylvania forest types & influences
- Technology & economic issues
- Forest management & harvesting
- Forest benefits & biodiversity
- Ecosystem management
- Land stewardship
- Government regulation
- Landowner issues
- Industry careers & products

The **Sustaining Penn's Woods** box includes an interactive CD-ROM, a poster, two video tapes (one on forestry issues and one on deer issues) and five folders of material with background, hands-on interdisciplinary activities, student pages, references and a glossary.

This unique project is the result of underwriting and collaboration led by the PA Department of Education in partnership with the Hardwood Lumber Manufacturers Association of PA, the Hardwoods Development Council at the PA Department of Agriculture and other interested individuals and organizations.

If you cannot locate a copy of **Sustaining Penn's Woods**, tear off and return the form below. Send to:

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Please print clearly or type mailing information

Please send me "Sustaining Penn's Woods - A Sound Use of the Land."

Name: _____

Grade: _____ Phone: (_____)_____

School: _____

Mailing Address: _____ (street or P.O. box)

_____ (city/town & zip code)