

performance measures review, industry segment updates by RETAC members, and a roundtable discussion.

The meeting, which is open to the public, will be conducted in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. Chapter 10; Federal Advisory Committee Management regulations, 41 CFR part 102-3; RETAC's charter; and Board procedures. Further communications about this meeting may be announced through the Board's website at www.stb.gov.

Written Comments: Members of the public may submit written comments to RETAC at any time. Comments should be addressed to RETAC, c/o Elizabeth Osburn, Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20423-0001 or elizabeth.osburn@stb.gov. Please submit any comments for review at the October 27, 2026 meeting by October 23, 2026, if possible.

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 1321, 11101, and 11121.

Decided: October 1, 2026.

By the Board, Anika S. Cooper, Chief Counsel, Office of Chief Counsel.

Jeffrey Herzig,
Clearance Clerk.

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SUSQUEHANNA RIVER BASIN COMMISSION

Public Hearing

AGENCY: Susquehanna River Basin Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Susquehanna River Basin Commission will hold a public hearing on October 28, 2026. The Commission will hold this hearing in person and telephonically. At this public hearing, the Commission will hear testimony on the projects and actions listed in the Supplementary Information section of this notice. In addition to the projects listed below, the Commission will also hear testimony on its proposed Access to Records Policy and its Draft Regulatory Program Fee Schedule. Such projects and actions are intended to be scheduled for Commission action at its next business meeting, scheduled for December 10, 2026, which will be noticed separately. The public should note that this public hearing will be the only opportunity to offer oral comments to the Commission for the listed projects and actions. The deadline for the submission of written comments is November 9, 2026.

DATES: The public hearing will convene on October 28, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. The

public hearing will end at 8:00 p.m. or at the conclusion of public testimony, whichever is earlier. The deadline for submitting written comments is Monday, November 9, 2026.

ADDRESSES: This public hearing will be conducted in person and telephonically. You may attend in person at Susquehanna River Basin Commission, 4423 N Front St., Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, or join by telephone at Toll-Free Number 1-877-304-9269 and then enter the guest passcode 2619070 followed by #.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Andrew Zerby, Assistant Counsel, telephone: (717) 238-0423 or azerby@srbc.gov.

Information concerning the project applications is available at the Commission's Water Application and Approval Viewer at <https://www.srbc.gov/waav>. Information regarding the proposed Access to Records Policy and the draft Regulatory Program Fee Schedule can be found at <https://www.srbc.gov/regulatory/public-participation/>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The public hearing will also cover the following projects:

Projects Scheduled for Action

1. *Project Sponsor:* Allegheny Mountain Spring Water, Incorporated. Project Facility: Roaring Spring, Roaring Spring Borough, Blair County, Pa. Application for consumptive use of up to 0.099 mgd (30-day average).

2. *Project Sponsor and Facility:* Ephrata Area Joint Authority, Ephrata Borough, Lancaster County, Pa. Application for groundwater withdrawal of up to 1.210 mgd (30-day average) from Well 1.

3. *Project Sponsor and Facility:* Expand Operating LLC (Susquehanna River), Terry Township, Bradford County, Pa. Application for surface water withdrawal of up to 3.000 mgd (peak day).

4. *Project Sponsor:* Hickory Heights, Inc. Project Facility: Hickory Heights Golf Club, North Codorus Township, York County, Pa. Application for consumptive use of up to 0.099 mgd (30-day average).

5. *Project Sponsor:* Knoebels Three Ponds, Inc. Project Facility: Knoebels Three Ponds Golf Course, Ralpho Township, Northumberland County, Pa. Application for consumptive use of up to 0.249 mgd (30-day average).

6. *Project Sponsor and Facility:* Milton Hershey School, Derry Township, Dauphin County, Pa. Applications for consumptive use of up to 1.125 mgd (peak day) and

groundwater withdrawals (30-day averages) of up to 0.250 mgd from Well 1, 0.720 mgd from Well 3, 0.144 mgd from Well 4, 0.343 mgd from Well 6, 0.150 mgd from Well 7, and 0.103 mgd from Well 8.

7. *Project Sponsor:* Pennsylvania—American Water Company. Project Facility: Frackville District, West Mahanoy Township, Schuylkill County, Pa. Application for groundwater withdrawal of up to 0.192 mgd (30-day average) from Well 5.

8. *Project Sponsor and Facility:* Range End Golf Club, Inc., Carroll Township, York County, Pa. Applications for consumptive use of up to 0.240 mgd (peak day) and groundwater withdrawal 0.113 mgd (30-day average) from Well 1.

9. *Project Sponsor:* Saddleview Properties LLC. Project Facility: Stone Hedge Country Club, Tunkhannock Township, Wyoming County, Pa. Applications for surface water withdrawal of up to 0.249 mgd (peak day) from Osterhout Creek and consumptive use of up to 0.249 mgd (30-day average).

10. *Project Sponsor and Facility:* Sterman Masser, Inc. (Deep Creek), Hegins Township, Schuylkill County, Pa. Application for surface water withdrawal of up to 0.274 mgd (peak day).

11. *Project Sponsor:* Willow Valley Associates, Inc. Project Facility: Willow Valley Golf Course, West Lampeter Township, Lancaster County, Pa. Application for consumptive use of up to 0.099 mgd (30-day average).

The proposed Access to Records Policy is an update to the Commission's existing 2009 policy. The Commission is clarifying its procedures concerning confidential information requests by project sponsors and recognizing the Access to Records regulation at 18 CFR 801.14 adopted in 2018.

The draft Regulatory Program Fee Schedule adds the Consumer Price Index adjustment for the Mid-Atlantic Region to most fees, which is 3.9% for the preceding 12 months. The proposed fee schedule also adds pre-application and technical assistance to project sponsors as an activity to be funded under the current annual fee. The fee is proposed to be renamed the Annual Monitoring, Compliance and Assistance to Projects (AMCAP) Fee. This fee will begin to support the Commission's Public Water Supply Assistance Program as well as its efforts to provide technical assistance to small projects and pre-application assistance to all project sponsors. The proposed fee schedule also adjusts some terminology involving well grouping/well field determinations by the Commission, as

well as adds the fee for the recently enacted General Permit GP-04. The proposal also includes language clarifying the Commission's ability to assess a late fee for materially late payments due to the Commission consistent with 18 CFR 806.33.

Opportunity To Appear and Comment

Interested parties may appear or call into the hearing to offer comments to the Commission on any business listed above required to be the subject of a public hearing. Given the nature of the meeting, the Commission strongly encourages those members of the public wishing to provide oral comments to pre-register with the Commission by emailing Andrew Zerby at azerby@srbc.gov before the hearing date. The presiding officer reserves the right to limit oral statements in the interest of time and to control the course of the hearing otherwise. Access to the hearing via telephone will begin at 4:45 p.m. Guidelines for the public hearing are posted on the Commission's website, www.srbc.gov, before the hearing for review. The presiding officer reserves the right to modify or supplement such guidelines at the hearing. Written comments on any business listed above required to be the subject of a public hearing may also be mailed to Mr. Andrew Zerby, Assistant Counsel to the Commission, Susquehanna River Basin Commission, 4423 North Front Street, Harrisburg, Pa. 17110-1788, or submitted electronically through <https://www.srbc.gov/meeting-comment/default.aspx?type=2&cat=7>. Comments mailed or electronically submitted must be received by the Commission on or before Monday, November 9, 2026.

Authority: Pub. L. 91-575, 84 Stat. 1509 *et seq.*, 18 CFR parts 806, 807, and 808.

Dated: October 1, 2026.

Jason E. Oyler,

General Counsel and Secretary to the Commission.

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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

[Docket Nos. USTR-2026-0595 and USTR-2026-0596]

Request for Public Comments and Notice of Public Hearing Relating to the Operation of the Agreement Between the United States of America, the United Mexican States, and Canada

AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR).

ACTION: Request for comments and notice of public hearing.

SUMMARY: USTR is commencing a public consultation process in advance of the 2027 annual joint review meeting of the Agreement between the United States of America, the United Mexican States, and Canada (USMCA or Agreement). As directed by Congress, USTR is seeking public comments on the operation of the Agreement and providing notice of a public hearing.

DATES:

January 12, 2027, at 11:59 p.m. EST: Deadline for submitting written comments and requests to appear at the hearing. The request to appear must include a summary of testimony.

2027 Public Hearing: Details regarding the date and location of the public hearing will be published to USTR's website (www.ustr.gov). Please visit USTR's website for any updates to the hearing schedule.

Seven calendar days after the last day of the public hearing, at 11:59 p.m. EST: Deadline for submission of post-hearing rebuttal comments.

ADDRESSES: Submit documents in response to this notice, including written comments, hearing appearance requests, and summaries of testimony through the online USTR portal: <https://comments.ustr.gov/s/>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Randall Oliver, Director for Canada, at Randall.T.Oliver@ustr.eop.gov or 202.395.9449, or Braeden Young, Director for Mexico, at Braeden.P.Young@ustr.eop.gov or 202.395.9620.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The USMCA entered into force on July 1, 2020, between the United States, Mexico, and Canada (collectively, the Parties).¹ Article 34.7.1 of the USMCA provides that the Agreement must terminate 16 years after the date of entry

into force—*i.e.*, July 1, 2036—unless each Party confirms that it wishes to continue the Agreement for a new 16-year term. Pursuant to Article 34.7.2 of the USMCA, the Free Trade Commission (Commission), composed of the three Parties, convened on July 1, 2026, to conduct the first joint review of the operation of the Agreement. At that meeting, the United States did not agree to extend the Agreement for a new 16-year term. As such, pursuant to Articles 34.7.4-6 of the USMCA, the Commission will meet to conduct a joint review annually until each of the three Parties confirms its wish to extend the term of this Agreement for another 16-year period or the term of the Agreement expires, whichever is earlier.

In accordance with Section 611 of the *United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement Implementation Act* (19 U.S.C. 4611), USTR is publishing this notice regarding the joint review to provide an opportunity for the presentation of views relating to the operation of the USMCA. USTR invites interested persons to submit written comments (Part II) or oral testimony (Part III) on matters relevant to the joint review.

II. Request for Public Comments

Interested persons must submit written comments using the docket titled "Request for Comments on the Operation of the Agreement between the United States of America, the United Mexican States, and Canada," docket number USTR-2026-0595, using the electronic portal at <https://comments.ustr.gov/s/> and following the instructions in Part IV below. To be assured of consideration, USTR must receive written comments by 11:59 p.m. EST on January 12, 2027. Additional instructions on how to submit written comments are provided below in Part IV.

In particular, this notice invites comments regarding:

- Any aspect of the operation or implementation of the USMCA;
- Any issues of compliance with the USMCA;
- Recommendations for specific actions that USTR should propose ahead of the joint review;
- Factors affecting the investment climate in North America and in the territories of each Party, as well as the effectiveness of the USMCA in promoting investment that strengthens U.S. competitiveness, productivity, and technological leadership; and
- Strategies for strengthening North American economic security and competitiveness and cooperation on

¹ The full text of the USMCA is available at <https://ustr.gov/trade-agreements/free-trade-agreements/united-states-mexico-canada-agreement/agreement-between>.