

## **Pennsylvania Biodiversity Partnership Policy Handling**

All issues brought before the Pennsylvania Biodiversity Partnership requiring action that will result in the establishment of policy will be handled in the following manner:

- A. Any formal discussion that may result in policy-making must be brought before the Partnership Board either by a Board member or the President.
- B. The Board will review whether the issue is worthy of the Partnership's consideration.
  - 1. If not deemed worthy of further action, the issue is not acted upon.
  - 2. If deemed worthy of further action, the policy can be:
    - a) established at the Board level; or
    - b) referred to the appropriate Partnership task force for recommendations. When the Board refers an issue to a task force for recommendations, the Board will specify what type of response is expected and when those recommendations will be needed.
- C. The Board will receive task force recommendations and act on them.
- D. The Policy Task Force will be informed of all actions taken by the Board that establish policy.

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