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Governor Corbett Proclaims March 17-23 as Land Surveyors Week Department of Transportation Highlights its Surveyors' Importance

Harrisburg –Governor Tom Corbett has proclaimed March 17-23 as Land Surveyors Week in Pennsylvania, noting that surveyors' specialized skill sets provide exceptional service to communities through their work to develop transportation routes, utility projects and more.

Corbett's proclamation coincides with National Surveyors Week.

PennDOT employs more than 100 surveyors, survey technicians and photogrammetric technicians who help ensure projects are designed accurately and executed safely using the latest technology. Common survey examples include preliminary and design engineering for bridges and highways; topographic surveys; right of way surveys; and wetland surveys.

"While Pennsylvania's landscape and population changes over time and technology continues to advance, the state's transportation needs will always remain," PennDOT Secretary Barry J. Schoch said. "I thank the department's surveyors for their role in developing our infrastructure."

The department's photogrammetric technicians produce digital aerial photography and design scale mapping to further assist with project design and information gathering.

To learn more about these staff services, visit the Bureau of Project Delivery's page under "PennDOT Organizations" at www.dot.state.pa.us.

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Editor's Note: The following is a copy of Governor Corbett's proclamation:

LAND SURVEYORS WEEK
March 17-23, 2013

WHEREAS, Land surveyors throughout history have played a crucial role in the mapping and design of the uncharted territories of our great nation; and

WHEREAS, the specialized training and specific skills of land surveyors remains essential as we continue to rely upon precise measurements for developing our communities, our Commonwealth and our nation; and

WHEREAS, technological and societal advancements, such as the expanded use of computers and satellites to determine precise geographical boundaries in the proper construction of new roads and buildings, reflect the increasing complexity of surveyors' skills and the integral role that these dedicated professionals continue to play in the development of the United States; and

WHEREAS, land surveyors provide an exceptional service to our communities, our Commonwealth and our nation through their work to develop and improve transportation routes, buildings, water systems, housing projects and much more.

THEREFORE, In special recognition of the invaluable services that surveyors provide, I, Tom Corbett, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do hereby proclaim March 17-23, 2013, LAND SURVEYORS WEEK in Pennsylvania and encourage all citizens to join me in recognizing these highly skilled and dedicated professionals.

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