



Pennsylvania Association of Professional Soil Scientists

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Many regulations in Pennsylvania require the services of a qualified professional soil scientist to provide accurate soil interpretations to support other professional services provided by engineers, geologists, land surveyors, and landscape architects. As a result, PAPSS has compiled this Registry of Professional Soil Science Consultants who are available to provide soil science consulting services.

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