

## Read Me for the Delaware Statewide Vegetation Community Map

All shapefiles for the Delaware Statewide Vegetation Community Map are organized by watershed. Each watershed file has a year after (i.e. 1997, 2002, or 2007) that signifies the imagery that the map is based on. About once a month a complete map will be produced which will be called Delaware Statewide Vegetation Community Map with the date after it.

### How to do various tasks with the map

1. Make a map of a particular vegetation community for the state or for a watershed.
  - a. To produce this map select the desired vegetation community from the table of the statewide or watershed shapefile (watershed shapefiles can be found in their own watershed folder) or by query and convert to a new shapefile with the individual vegetation community.
2. See how much acreage of a vegetation community is present on Delaware or a watershed.
  - a. All of Delaware: Look at the table of the Statewide Vegetation Community Map for the individual community.
  - b. Individual Watershed: Go to the table and select the De\_Communi column. Press the "sum" button and in the dialogue box select acres and sum to get a table of the amount of acreage of a particular vegetation community.
3. How acreage is left to be categorized and digitized.
  - a. In the Statewide Vegetation Community Map shapefile table look at the figure for Unknown Forested Community and Unknown Marsh Community. Add these figures to get an approximate value of what is left.