

# **WPCAMR Watershed Coordinator's Report**

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## **PROJECT SITE VISITS, PLANNING MEETINGS, PRESS EVENT ATTENDANCE:**

Ohio River Watershed Celebration

ARIPPA Awards Luncheon

Summerset Conservation District annual watershed Tour

Trout Unlimited 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the West Branch Susquehanna Restoration Initiative

AMR Conference Call

Federal and State Issue Conference Call

SW Regional Roundtable Issues Committee

## **OUTREACH ACTIVITIES**

I wrote one Abandoned Mine Post on the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Ohio River Watershed Celebration.

I aided the Westmoreland Conservation District in developing an OM&R workshop. For the workshop, I helped coordinate speakers, the agenda, and advertised with 2 Abandoned Mine posts as well as individually contacting each watershed specialist in the region. Unfortunately, the workshop was not held due to low registration so the AMR conference committee is considering the idea of adding the workshop to the 2012 conference.

I have begun coordinating our Environmental Education Grant and researching new display ideas.

## **2011 AMR CONFERENCE**

Planning has begun for the 2012 Conference. The wrap up for the 2011 conference and the initial planning meeting for the 2012 was held.

## **2010 OHIO RIVER WATERSHED CELEBRATION**

The 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Ohio River Watershed Celebration was a very successful event attended by hundreds. I was on the planning committee and in charge of the dock and entertainment sub-committees.

## **ARIPPA 20<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY AWARD RFP**

The award is presented as follows:

\$2500 to Blackleggs Creek Watershed Association and Cooperative Trout Nursery for the Big Run #3 passive treatment system

\$2500 to Altman Watershed Association for Restoring the Environment (AWARE) for the Neal Run Passive treatment system.

## **MARCELLUS SHALE SEVERANCE TAX**

No new activity to report.

## **319 GRANT DELIVERABLES**

Over the next three years, our deliverables include three education projects that WPCAMR and EPCAMR will jointly engage. WPCAMR will be directing short films as an outreach tool to watershed organizations grappling with treatment solutions to acid mine drainage. Our first film discusses the origins and formation of abandoned mine drainage. EPCAMR developed a companion document as their portion of this deliverable.

In 2011, WPCAMR produced a video on AMD passive treatment options and EPCAMR will produce the accompanying poster insert based on Bob Hedin's passive treatment flow chart. The video depicts a conversation among some experts in the field of passive AMD treatment. They discuss how to choose the right technology, some key design considerations, emerging technologies and trends, and the future as they see it with regards to funding, OM&R, and the role of the Conservation District.

I have begun to research the final year of this project. WPCAMR will produce a third video on the permitting challenges the watershed community faces when constructing an AMD treatment system.

## **NPDES ISSUE**

No new activity to report