

EPCAMR 2013 4th Quarter Board Meeting

Agenda – November 21st

EPCAMR / Earth Conservancy Office Conference Room

Hotlinks in this document will take you to more related info.	5:30PM	Call to Order (Sign-in Sheet)	Bernie
		Minutes from Last Mgt. (August 15th): <u>Motion to</u> accept & approve	Christine
		Treasurer's Report	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>Motion to</u> file Checking & PA Invest Account Balances for audit<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ 2012 990's were completed by Kovalchek and Kollar	Cheryl
		AMR Program Reports (Monthly Reports on epcamr.org/home/board website)	Staff
		Committee Reports (Personnel, Budget, Strategic Planning & Dinner/Fundraiser)	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Personnel: Review of the Personnel Policy (tabled from last meeting)• Strategic Plan: Bylaw review to consider watershed/community at large voting members•	Respective Comm. Chairs
		Old Business	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>Motion to</u> adopt a Media Relations Spokesperson Policy (ACT Conf.)•	Bernie/Mike
		New Business	Bernie
	6:30PM	Discussion and Correspondence	
Business portion of meeting complete.		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>Discussion on</u> BAMR October 2013 Project Status Report and 2012 Completed Project Statistics (Anthracite Region Specific - 47 Projects totaling 234.7 acres reclaimed at a cost of \$3.3 Million. That's 27%, 32% and 22% of the statewide numbers respectively)• <u>Hired 3 part time staff:</u> Kelsey Biondo and Bridgette Robinson as GIS Technicians and Deirdre Jolly as Bookkeeper. Looking to hire another part-time GIS Specialist (Justyna Sacharzewska) for MSI Project.	Mike
		Grants, Conferences, Events, Workshops	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• PA Abandoned Mine Reclamation Conference - June 26-27, 2014 Conference Ramada Inn, State College	Robert
		Watershed Reports	All
	7:00PM	Next Meeting: <i>Tentatively</i> February 20 th @ 6:00pm and Adjournment Other Tentative Meeting dates in 2014 are May 15th, August 21st & November 20th	

AMR Program Staff anticipated Work for Next Quarter (looking forward)

Partners and Places in bold

General Staff

- Scan, catalog, georeference and digitize Mine Maps from **PA DEP Bureau of Abandoned Mine Reclamation (BAMR) Wilkes-Barre Office** related to the Mine Subsidence Insurance (MSI) Mine Map Processing Grant. Send maps monthly for review by **PA DEP California District Mining Office (DMO)** and invoice for time and resources spent.
- Approve design on the Lewis AMD Treatment System Rehabilitation Project (**Loyalsock Creek, Sullivan County**) in cooperation with **Hedin Environmental** and **PA DEP Moshannon DMO**.
- Finalize Joint Permit on Hicks Creek Natural Stream Channel Design Project (**Hicks Creek, Luzerne County**) in cooperation with **PA DEP BAMR Wilkes-Barre Office**.
- Plant trees in WaterBoxx's at **Espy Run Treatment System (Nanticoke Creek, Luzerne County)**. Begin and continue to monitor tree growth monthly at **Espy Run and Huber Park (Solomon Creek, Luzerne County)**.
- Complete EPCAMR 2012 and 2013 Annual Reports and post to GuideStar.org.
- Sample water quality at **Espy Run Treatment System** quarterly and **Askam Borehole Treatment System (both in Nanticoke Creek, Luzerne County)** monthly to evaluate iron and acidity removal post construction for **Earth Conservancy**.
- Co-coordinate of the **2014 PA statewide Abandoned Mine Reclamation Conference** via conference call with **WPCAMR** and the **AMR Conference Committee**. Create and maintain treatminewater.com website.
- Update EPCAMR websites as needed, as well as the Google Apps for Education Email+ Account and Facebook Social Media outreach tools.
- Settle up with **EPCAMR Members** that are taking advantage of our low-cost Webhosting Service.
- Continue to map mine pools and create 3D models of mines to estimate volumes of mine water available for re-use in the **Wyoming Valley** with **TIPS Software from OSM** for the **Susquehanna River Basin Commission (SRBC)**. Submit final report.
- Attend the **West Branch Task Force Meeting** at the **PA DEP Headquarters in Harrisburg**.
- Continue to work with the **EPCAMR Board** to increase efficiency of Quarterly Board Meetings.
- Create 2014 EPCAMR Membership Application/Renewal Paperwork and distribute to **EPCAMR Members** and post on the epcamr.org website.
- Continue to provide technical & outreach assistance to **EPCAMR partners** dealing with AML issues, as needed.
- Continue to look for stream segments in the **EPCAMR Region**, where improvements have been made to streams on the 303 (d) List of Impaired Waters, that should be reassessed and stand a good chance of being removed from the list. Gather supporting water quality monitoring or biological monitoring evidence and report to the **PA DEP Bureau of Conservation and Restoration (BCR) Section 319 Program**.
- Create monthly progress reports, post them to the epcamr.org website and send to **PA DEP BCR Section 319 Program** along with an invoice of time and resources spent for reimbursement.

Full Monthly Reports for all staff are [available online](#) for your review