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Eastern PA Coalition for Abandoned Mine Reclamation December 2006 Progress Report

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Highlights:

- Added information to 1 EPCAMR GIS Database
- EPCAMR Staff submitted 1 grant
- Updated www.orangewaternetwork.org

December 1st – 9th

- Received an e-mail from Donna Carnahan, DEP 319 Program, asking for information to add to the NPS Program Update to the EPA. Responded to her e-mail to fill in the efforts in the EPCAMR Region in 2006 that met the goals and the objectives from the Resource Extraction section of the report. This information will also double as the beginning of a 2006 Annual Report.
- Met with Chris Gillis, Eco Tech LLC., to make final edits to the AMD 06 Grant Proposal dealing with Innovative Treatment of the Old Forge Borehole. Submitted the grant later in the week.
- Met with Bernie McGurl, Lackawanna River Corridor Association (LRCA), to obtain a SCARLIFT report and map dealing with the mine pool extents in the Lackawanna Valley.
- Finished monthly report for the month of November and posted program staff reports to www.orangewaternetwork.org
- Ordered software from TechSoup.org to update productivity and financial management software licenses in the office.
- Updated the draft Nescopeck Creek Watershed Report to include suggestions from Tim Ference, Friends of the Nescopeck (FON) member. A hard copy and electronic copy are available at the office for review.
- EPCAMR Program Staff conducted a site visit to the Hicks Creek Natural Stream Channel Design Project Site location in Exeter Borough with Heather Graham, LCD Resource Conservation Specialist II, and Rich Moroski- Exeter Borough Council. Walked the entire stream length where the proposed structures are anticipated to be constructed under the newly awarded Growing Greener Grant.
- Scanned the Lackawanna River SCARLIFT Part II report to PDF using the multifunction copier here at the Luzerne Conservation District (LCD) office. Took "Plate 1", split into 2 large maps, to the Luzerne County GIS Department and used their map scanner to obtain a digital image for use in ArcGIS.

December 10th – 16th

- Traced the mine pool boundaries in ArcGIS to create the mine pool extent in the Lackawanna Valley. With this map, this map completed the mine pool layer for the Northern Anthracite Coal Fields.

- EPCAMR Program Staff developed a draft GIS Map of trails in Lackawanna County that run along abandoned rail corridors and through abandoned mine lands for the Duetsche Institute and Keystone College. The GIS Map will be incorporated into a walking/hiking/biking trails brochure.
- Added news articles to www.orangewaternetwork.org related to the SMCRA Reauthorization by Congress.
- EPCAMR Program Staff completed a progress report on the Audenreid AMD Remediation Treatment System Project and forwarded it along to Dave Hamilton, Office of Surface Mining.

December 17th – 31st

- Vacation