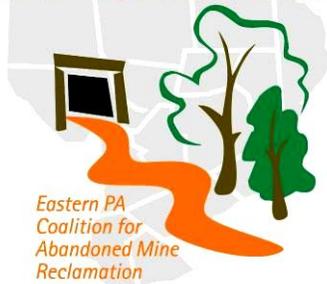


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Eastern PA Coalition for Abandoned Mine Reclamation December 2009 Progress Report

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Highlights:

- Submitted 1 foundation proposal
- Printed 6 maps for the Catawissa Creek RCP Project
- Sent downloaded 4 GIS files and printed 8 maps for EPCAMR Partners
- Attended a Mine Pool Mapping Mtg. and a Catawissa Creek RCP Mtg.
- Updated www.orangewaternetwork.org, EPCAMR's Facebook

Education and Outreach:

- Submitted the Datashed proposal to the Foundation for Pennsylvania Watersheds.
- Welcomed Leigh Ann Kemmerer as EPCAMR's newest intern. Setup workstation, prepared business cards and setup an EPCAMR e-mail address.
- Created the EPCAMR Program Manager monthly report for November, collected staff reports and posted them online at www.orangewaternetwork.org. Aided Executive Director in preparing the reimbursement to the PA DEP 319 Program.
- Used the spreadsheet provided by Donna Carnahan, PA DEP 319 Program, to fill in EPCAMR accomplishments for inclusion in the annual DEP Non-Point Source Liaison Workgroup annual report to the EPA. The new format shows what was submitted in the previous years (since 2006) to aide in eliminating duplication.
- EPCAMR staff met with DEP staff and USGS staff at the Pottsville District Mining Office to discuss the status of the Mine Pool Mapping Project.
- EPCAMR staff prepared the Mine Pool Mapping 4th Quarter Report for 2009 and submitted it to Dan Koury, advisor for this Growing Greener Grant.

Technical Assistance:

- Updated both intern computers and archived each profile, including files, in a zip file to save for future reference.
- Created an excel sheet containing the Integrated List of Non-Attaining Streams in the Catawissa Creek Watershed for the Catawissa Creek Rivers Conservation Plan.
- Updated EPCAMR Technical Assistance Center Laptop to ArcGIS 9.3.1, the newest version supported by the Office of Surface Mining and Reclamation Enforcement (OSM) Technical Innovation & Professional Services (TIPS) program.
- EPCAMR staff met with Tetra Tech staff and a representative from Newfield Exploration Mid-Continent Inc. to discuss potential water sources for natural gas well development.
- Prepared maps for Dave Kaleta, Habitat for Wildlife Inc., as requested to show properties that they plan to manage as wildlife plots.
- Aided Earth Conservancy in the printing of large format maps that were too long for their map printer.

- Printed 6 maps for the Catawissa Creek Rivers Conservation Plan meeting to be held at the Beaver Township Fire Hall, Columbia County. Attended the meeting along with CCRA members and PEC Northeast Office staff to discuss the status of the plan and ascertain ideas for the Project Planning map, the last map that will need to be prepared for this project.
- Downloaded several PA Map Cycle 2 Color Aerial Photos for the Earth Conservancy as requested.
- Continued to georeference and convert I-series maps for the Mine Pool Mapping Project.
- Uploaded all EarthVision I-series to OSM's FTP site as requested by Mike Dunn. Mike plans to help fix the overturned horizon problem along the Sharp Mountain.
- Delete approximately 500 fake EPCAMR website members and about 7,000 bogus web link suggestions from www.orangewaternetwork.org. These had built up over the past few months, slowing down the website and limiting administration abilities. I cannot understand what advantage hackers would have in attacking the EPCAMR Website, but it has happened several times now over the past few years.