

# EPCAMR



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## **April 2010 Monthly Report**

### **Technical Assistance**

- Added pictures from the Canal St. tire pile cleanup to the Cleanups Album on Facebook.
- Finished tracing macros onto cardboard for future educational programs.
- Posted news articles to Facebook. Lots of articles about drilling and one about a dead whale that got beached; the necropsy found lots of garbage in its stomach. This ties in with illegal dumping because it shows the tragic end result of such carelessness.
- Posted a bunch of news articles to the Facebook page about drilling, Huber Breaker, and a few different FYI's from PA Environmental Digest's website.
- Wrote out a list of items/props still needed for the Educational Comedy Skit.

### **Meetings and Trainings**

- Registered for the 2010 Watershed Summit in State College (May 1<sup>st</sup>). Asked about the scholarship being given to cover travel costs, or registration fees.
- Sat in on a conference call about the annual AMR conference that has been combined to include four conferences in one in Pittsburgh.
- Added before and after photos of the Penn Ave Cleanup to the Results press release.

### **Project Coordination**

- Finished the Illegal Dump Site grant reimbursement.
- Wrote a press release for the Penn Ave cleanup and sent it to the Times Leader, Citizens Voice and Drew McLaughlin with Wilkes-Barre city.
- Went Hazlebrook Borough and met with James Wetzel to help cleanout debris and create channels for flow measurement from different AMD discharges that flow into Hazle Creek.
- Went back out to Hazlebrook to participate in a small training session, take initial flow measurements and collect water samples from the discharges that flow into Hazle Creek.

- Cleaned up a good portion of the accessible tire pile near Canal St. Even with only 3 volunteers to help Robert, Mike and I we collected over 350 tires.
- Researched and added all of the local college environmental teachers' contact info to my address book so I can send them information of any upcoming events. They can also pass the information along to their students.
- Cleaned out weeds and over-growth from the Avondale Beautification site and prepared the area for planting with students from the Wilkes-Barre Career and Technical Center (WB CTC).
- Worked with the WB CTC to spread dirt and further prepared the Avondale Beautification site for planting.