

*Pennridge Area Coordinating Committee*

*Status Report*

*Thursday, October 25, 2007*

<b>Project Team:</b>	> Coordination:	Bucks County Planning Commission
	> Lead Consultant:	Borton-Lawson Engineering, Paul DeBarry, P.E., Project Mgr
	> Subconsultants:	Hazlett-Kincaid + Spotts, Stevens, McCoy + Boucher & James

- **Tonight's meeting is a forum to discuss implementation opportunities for the Pennridge Area Greenway Plan. Discussion is being facilitated in conjunction with the Heritage Conservancy.**
  
- **Ongoing partnership with Heritage Conservancy**
  - Roundtable on Pennridge Area Water Resources Sustainability to discuss the interrelationships among comprehensive planning, wastewater facilities planning and land use.
    - Date/time/location - Thursday, January 17, 2008 7:00PM-9:30PM in the Pennridge High School auditorium or similar venue.
    - This Roundtable is open to all PACC members, Pennridge Area municipal officials and the general public.
    - In the process of inviting presenters to speak to the group. So far, DEP will be represented.
  
  - Audits of Municipal Ordinances for Water Resource Protection to establish stronger linkage between land use controls and water/natural resource protection. Participating Municipalities include:
    - East Rockhill Township: complete audit
    - West Rockhill Township: Invasive species audit
  
- **Plan Implementation & Grants Status**
  - **SOURCE WATER PROTECTION GRANT PROGRAM**
    - Meeting held on October 11 with Bruno Mercuri, Borton-Lawson, Hazlett-Kinkaid and DEP
    - Discussions ongoing relative to various aspects of the source water protection plan.
    - Upon agreement and final input from various consultants, documents will be edited to incorporate feedback received, and revised copies made available for public review on PACC website, Bucks County website, and a hard copy will be available in the Samuel Pierce (Perkasie) branch of the Bucks County Free Library System
    - Public meeting date, including PACC members, TBD
  
  - **STORMWATER BASIN RETROFIT PROJECT**
    - Growing Greener Grant received for \$18,150
    - Borton-Lawson currently working to finalize design schematics which will be presented at the November 29, 2007 PACC meeting.
    - Change in educational component.

- Based on discussions from last month, we will be working with the Perkiomen Watershed Conservancy to create a new educational brochure to distribute to PACC municipalities and schools within the Penridge area.
- We will be approaching Upper Bucks County Vocational Technical School to gauge their interest in participating in two ways:
  1. Horticulture students will be supplied with a plan showing the different components incorporated into the basin retrofit design. The students will develop a suggested planting plan and Borton-Lawson will review their suggestions and provide comment on possible plant substitutions.
  2. Graphic Communications students will be given the opportunity to assist in the design and layout of the pamphlet and will hopefully be offered the opportunity to bid on the printing of the final pamphlet.

➤ **Educational**

○ **WREN GRANT**

- BMP site selections for the bus tour have been identified
- A location for lunch has been identified. Pickering, Corts and Summerson, Inc. will sponsor the boxed lunches, which will be prepared by Revivals Restaurant and Banquets.
- Coordinating guest speakers to present at each stop;
- Preparing invitations and survey forms;
- Researching information about each site for inclusion in the brochure; and compiling information to include in binders to be distributed to tour attendees.
- Will have a link to the BCPC and PACC websites so visitors to the site can take a virtual tour of sites included in the bus tour. Will have information uploaded to the existing PACC site.

➤ **Topics:**

○ **Multi-Municipal Composting**

- Steve Deasy, Gannett Fleming, will attend the November PACC meeting to gain clarification regarding composting needs in the Penridge area.
- Lale Byers, BCPC Recycling Coordinator, will attend to answer questions.

➤ **Next Steps: (November - December)**

- Continue to work with the Heritage Conservancy in implementing three-part project.
- Continue to work on stormwater basin retrofit design project.
- Continue Source Water Protection grant work.
- Continue to work on WREN project.
- Continue to investigate funding sources for ongoing implementation activities.

<p><b>Next PACC Meeting:</b>  <b>Thursday, November 29, 2007 7:30pm - Bucks County Community College, Perkasie Campus</b></p>
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