

2020

SCHUYLKILL RIVER RESTORATION FUND

15 Years of Watershed Restoration

For the past 15 years, through the generous contributions of our program funders, the leadership of the Advisory Committee and the hard work of our applicants and partners, the Schuylkill River Restoration Fund has supported over 120 projects for the conservation and preservation of the Schuylkill River. This year we are excited to announce that over \$300,000 is being awarded to nine projects throughout the watershed. These projects will meet the original program goal of "providing long-lasting water quality improvements in the Schuylkill River Watershed for the benefit of the river and its communities."

Please join us in congratulating this year's award recipients and also in celebrating 15 years of this incredible public/private partnership program.

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– FRANK STURNIOLO,
LIMERICK GENERATING
STATION SITE VICE
PRESIDENT



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DEPARTMENT





Berks County Conservation District

GRUBE FARM - \$61,625

This project will implement agricultural best management practices on a dairy operation owned and operated by the Grube family. Implemented agricultural BMP's will reduce nutrient, sediment, and pathogen pollution to Irish Creek and Schuylkill River watershed.

IRISH CREEK STABLES - \$51,420

Agricultural Best Management Practices (BMP's) will be implemented on a beef and equine board operation in the Irish Creek watershed. The project is situated between two previous Ag BMP projects, and includes over a mile of continuous new riparian forest buffer

Berks Nature

GAUKER FARM - \$30,000

Install Ag BMP's on the Gauker Farm in Richmond Township, Berks County. Project will include manure storage, roofed heavy use area and stormwater controls.

KUNKLE FARM - \$70,000

This Lehigh County project will install agricultural BMP's on the Kunkel family farm including construction of manure storage facilities, a stream crossing and stormwater controls throughout the property.

SMITH PROPERTY - \$4,000

This project will successfully attain a conservation easement on the 70 acre Smith Property in District Township, Berks County. This property is located in the headwaters of the Perkiomen Creek Watershed

OLIVET BLUE MOUNTAIN PROPERTY - \$4,000

This project will permanently protect an important 109-acre forested region in northern Berks. We will utilize a bargain sale purchase of a conservation easement on the Olivet Blue Mountain Camp property utilizing PA DCNR funding for a priority property on the Kittatinny Ridge.

Charlestown Playhouse

PICKERING CREEK STORMWATER - \$50,000

Stormwater erodes the gravel parking lot at Charlestown Playhouse, flowing across a road and into a Pickering Creek tributary. Constructing bioretention areas with amended soils, native vegetation and additional drainage will reduce runoff and velocity, improve water quality and enhance habitat value while increasing educational opportunities at the non-profit preschool.

Lower Frederick Township

REYNOLDS/CABIN CRAFT PROPERTY- \$1,650

The Reynolds Land Acquisition and Conservation Easement Project proposes to conserve a critical portion of an existing 5 acre parcel thru the use of both subdivision and conservation easement measures. Included within the conservation easement agreement will be a recorded public trail easement.

Schuylkill Center for Environmental Education

SMITHS RUN - \$35,000

This stormwater project will address issues affecting Smiths Run, a first order tributary on the property of the Schuylkill Center for Environmental Education.