

# EPCAMR 2019 1st Quarter Board Meeting

Agenda – February 21<sup>st</sup>

EPCAMR Office / Earth Conservancy Conference Room

11:00AM  
Info.  
Portion of  
Meeting

## Discussion and Correspondence

- Handouts: Minutes, Treasurer's Report
- Staff & Interns: No staff changes
- Discussion on PA DEP Hold Harmless, Indemnification Document for Surveillance Cameras in Centralia (Keep PA Beautiful)
- Discussion on EPCAMR Strategic Plan Update-Review of WPCAMR's
- Discussion on needs of other Partners in the Region
- Discussion of draft template in response to Gov. cutting GG funds
- Discussion of PA AML FY19-20 Pilot Funding Support
- Discussion of Pennsylvania Legislative Briefing booklet

Mike  
Robert  
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Bernie  
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Ed  
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Robert

12:00PM

## Call to Order Business Meeting: (Sign-In Sheet)

Bernie

Begin  
Business  
Portion of  
Meeting

## Minutes from Last Mgt. (November 15th): Motion to accept & approve

Christine

## Treasurer's Report

- Motion to file Checking & PA Invest Account Balances for audit
- See "Job's List" and "Grants Applied For" memos for more info (handouts)

Cheryl

## AMR Program Reports (3 minutes each; anticipated work on opposite side)

Staff

## Committee Reports

- Ad Hoc Communications: Update on Reclaiming PA series

Respective  
Comm. Chairs

## Old Business

Hotlinks  
in this  
document  
will take  
you to  
more info.

## New Business

- Motion to approve Committee Decision(s)
- Motion to adjourn Business Portion of meeting

Bernie

## Grants, Conferences, Events, Workshops

- Watershed Connections: Leveraging Our Power for Wshd Health-Feb 24-25
- PCPG Symposium-March 6, 2019
- 6th Annual Luzerne Foundation Non-Profit Forum, March 20-21, 2019
- NEPA Green Fair-August 27, 2019, Nay Aug Park, Scranton, PA
- NAAMLPA/PA AMR/NASLR Joint Conference, Pittsburgh, PA – Sept. 8-11, 2019
- PA American Water Environmental Grant Program-March 29, 2019 Deadline
- PA DCNR Grants

Robert

## Watershed Reports

All

1:00PM

## Next Meeting: *Tentatively* May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019 11:00AM (with lunch, bring \$5)

Tentative for 2019: February 21<sup>st</sup>, May 16<sup>th</sup>, August 15<sup>th</sup> (Annual) & Nov. 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019

## AMR Program Staff Anticipated Work for Next Quarter (looking forward)

Partners and Places in bold

### General Staff

- Scanned & cataloged 346, georeferenced 242, & created Wilkes-Barre West quad. mosaics from **PA DEP Bureau of Abandoned Mine Reclamation (BAMR) Wilkes-Barre Office** and **Pottsville District Mining Office (DMO)** collections to continue the 2018-2020 Mine Subsidence Insurance (MSI) Mine Map Processing Grant coordinated by the **California DMO**. Maintain a backup on our 14TB local server.
- Mobilization complete by **Keystone Reclamation** on the **Swoyersville AML Pilot** project to reclaim waste coal piles at the former Harry E. Colliery
- Continue a \$12K contract with **Luzerne County Rail Corp.** to scan, georeference and digitize railroad maps in **Luzerne and Lackawanna Counties**.
- Continue an aquatic organism passage (AOP) study on creeks in the **Toby Creek Area** with a \$15K grant from **Patagonia**.
- Continue \$21K **SRBC** Phase 1 Contract to map/model mine pools related to the **Mocanaqua Tunnel Discharge (Luzerne Co.)** and \$65K Phase 2 contract to monitor boreholes / discharges through April 2019.
- Continue "City Streets to Valley Streams" education program with disadvantaged youth using \$10K from **First Federal Charitable Foundation**.
- Awarded another \$5k to complete the **Huntsville Creek CHP**, Luzerne County.
- Continue **Toby's Creek** Coldwater Heritage Plan with \$5K funding from **PA TU**.
- Continue to monitor chemistry/flow at **Askam** Treatment System in the **Nanticoke Creek Watershed** under ~\$5K contract with **Earth Conservancy**.
- Administer the \$2.5k **ARIPPA** AMD/AML Reclamation Awards for **EPCAMR Region**.
- Bill-down and reimburse for projects and services (quarterly) to maintain cash-flow.
- Working on **RECLAIM** outreach with \$2k grant from **Appalachian Voices**.
- Continue to look for stream segments in the **EPCAMR Region**, where improvements have been made to streams on the 303 (d) List of Impaired Waters, that should be reassessed and stand a good chance of being removed from the list. Gather supporting water quality monitoring or biological monitoring evidence and report to the **PA DEP Bureau of Conservation and Restoration (BCR) Section 319 Program**.
- Continue to provide technical & outreach assistance to **EPCAMR partners** dealing with AML issues, as needed.
- Plan for the joint **NAAML/PA AMR** joint via conference call with **PA DEP** and the **AMR Conference Committee**. The conference will be September 8-11, 2019 in Pittsburgh. Maintain [www.NAAML2019.com](http://www.NAAML2019.com) and [treatminewater.com](http://treatminewater.com)
- Continue to provide AMD Field Tours and participate Environmental Outreach events.
- Harvest, dry, process, package, and inventory Iron Oxide products to sell online.
- Complete EPCAMR Annual Reports and post to [GuideStar.org](http://GuideStar.org).
- Completed another update of **RAMLIS** for 2019 with updated information from the **Pennsylvania Spatial Data Access (PASDA) Server**.
- Update EPCAMR websites, including [www.epcamr.org](http://www.epcamr.org) as needed, as well as the G Suite for Nonprofit Email / App Account and Facebook Social Media outreach tools.
- Participate in AML Campaign Calls to keep up on legislative happenings.
- Still waiting on an agreement with **SMS,LLC** to install transducers and monitor water levels in several boreholes in the mine pool related to the Old Forge Borehole AMD Remediation Project on the **Lackawanna River**.
- Continue to work with **EPCAMR Board** to increase Quarterly Board Mtg. efficiency.
- Create monthly progress reports, post them to the EPCAMR website and send to **PA DEP BCR Section 319 Program** along with an invoice of time and resources spent for reimbursement.
- Continue monitoring of **Loyalsock Creek** AMD Treatment Systems through April
- Working with **WVSA** on developing a professional services agreement for AMD portion of the **MS4 Permit**.
- Working with **Wiconisco Creek Restoration Association** to develop a monitoring plan for areas in the **Bear Creek Watershed, SRBC, Dauphin CD & Doc Fritchey TU**.

Full Monthly Reports for all staff are [available online](#) for your review