



## Eastern PA Coalition for Abandoned Mine Reclamation

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### April 2022 Progress Report

#### Project Coordination

##### **Swoyersville Harry E. Reclamation and Community Athletic Area AMLER Project**

- Completed the March Reimbursement for submission along with the Summary Narrative Report to *Gerard Schmidt*, Project Officer for PA DEP BAMR; Informed *Gerard* of a math error that was made in February to an amount that had to be carried over and corrected it; The amount didn't change the amount of the February reimbursement; Submitted the Quickbooks Invoice 19 to go along with the Excel file that was previously submitted with corrections

##### **Catawissa Creek Fishing Access Project with the PA Fish & Boat Commission**

- Worked with *Ed Wytovich* and *Mike*, along with the PA Fish & Boat Commission to discuss a long-term project related to fishing access along the Catawissa Creek working with landowners; EPCAMR, CCRA, PA DCNR, and many other partners continue to push for funding for additional cleanup of AMD in the headwaters of the watershed; Worked on draft MOUs regarding roles of various partners

##### **Mill Creek Coldwater Conservation Plan**

- Provided *Rachel Kester*, CHP Program Coordinator, with the optimized link created by *Mike* to the [Mill Creek Coldwater Conservation Plan](#) for the PA Trout Unlimited website

##### **Bear Creek AMD Treatment Survey, Design, O & M Plan and Permitting Package Project**

- Corresponded via email with many of the partners that attended the field tour meeting on April 7th, 2022; Attended the Bear Creek AMD Field Tour and Meeting on a very rainy April 7<sup>th</sup> in Lykens to discuss the project and provide updates to community partners from Dauphin County on-site with the landowner, public officials, and State Agency partners, as well as legislative Staff from Toomey and Casey's Office, and local State Representatives; EPCAMR didn't sample the discharges on April 7th, 2022 when we coordinate the on-site partners tour due to heavy rainfall on the same day; The sampling event was postponed and will be rescheduled; Followed up with all partners who were able to attend the field tour meeting with information that they had requested during the meeting in Lykens Borough, following the field tour to the site; Received a complimentary email from Dauphin County Commission *Chad Saylor* on EPCAMR's leadership on the project; Provided Commissioner Saylor with *Bob Hedin's* contact information for Hedin Environmental; Started work on topographic and boundary survey of the project area with SRBC by coordinating with the Dauphin County Conservation District to obtain a copy of the previous Phase II Project on Bear Creek, including the CAD design drawings requested by *Tom Clark*-SRBC on April 14th, 2022; *Eric Naguski*-Dauphin County Conservation District Manager gave Tom permission to use the drawings and files associated with the project

on April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022; *Steve Cornia*-EPCAMR GIS Watershed Outreach Specialist continued working on the multi-patch for the Lykens Valley No. 5 vein; *Mike Hewitt* and *Steve Cornia* decided on the best route and approach to making a 3D model to convert the raw data to multipatch so that they can mash up the data and switch out the surfaces once the 3D digitizing is completed; Staff has begun working on other veins and Mike has begun to clip out other Coal Elevation Points (CEPs); *Mike Hewitt* flipped a cross section with a PEARL script because the maps were labeled looking in a westerly direction and continued processing more maps; *Mike Hewitt* attempted to edit lines of section in Earth Vision graphic editor and researched adding labels to the model layers; Worked with *Mike Hewitt* on April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022 to complete the administrative paperwork for the Application for Reimbursement 4 and submitted the documents to Trish Attardo and Dan Koury, PA DEP; On April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022, EPCAMR received from *Essie Karnes*-Wiconisco Creek Watershed Association (WCRA) President, a copy of their newsletter highlighting the project with an update that EPCAMR had provided to her for the membership on April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022; Requested that WCRA support the STREAM Act bill

### **Mine Subsidence Mine Mapping Project**

- Coordinated with the EPCAMR Staff on monthly work progress on scanning, digitizing, georeferencing, cataloguing, and mosaicking of mine maps for March 2022; Reviewed *Mike's* comments to Staff on ensuring that the georeferenced maps are placed in the appropriate folder trees and subfolders to reduce confusion and duplicate counting; Received a cover letter and resume from *Angelica Noel Reimold*, a recent cohort from the EC EWT Training program who asked that her resume be reviewed and considered for the part-time GIS Watershed Outreach position that we haven't been able to fill at the moment due to the pandemic

### **NFWF Southern Wyoming Valley Watershed Assessment of American Black Duck Habitat and Trout Stream Habitat for Aquatic Passage**

- EPCAMR's request for an amendment was approved due to extenuating circumstances due to the pandemic to November 30, 2022; We will wrap up all field work and reporting by September 30, 2022; Continued conducting stream culvert assessments in the Solomon Creek watershed and noted a pretty severe erosion and stormwater problem along Division Street in Wilkes-Barre; EPCAMR inquired about the final review of the resubmitted QAPP; Received instructions on how to make repeated requests for a reimbursement task in the EasyGrants online system from *Blake Gardiner*, our Project Manager

### **Rare Earth Elements Abandoned Mine Land Economic Revitalization Project with TetraTech (proposed)**

- Participated on a call with *Eric Cavazza*, Vice President of Legacy Coal Reclamation and Tom Gray, for [Tetra Tech](#), to discuss a possible resubmission of a previous grant proposal a few years ago to the PA DEP to look at rare earth elements in AMD across PA; EPCAMR will have discussion about the project at our upcoming Board Meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup> of May since there still is no guidance out on the new funding source

### **Aquatic Informative Ripple Effect Software Water Quality Data Management Project**

- Participated in a Teams call with *Randy Romero*-AI and *Doug Schmidt*-AI, and *Mike Hewitt*-EPCAMR Program Manager, to get an update on the migration of our water quality databases and the correct tables over to the AI Ripple Effect software

## **Just Transition Fund Cycle 2 Planning Grant for Capacity Building Expansion of EPCAMR Solar Project Development**

- Confirmed EPCAMR Staff participation in a conference call discussion with the PA DEP Energy Office that was interested in our work on advocating for solar on abandoned mine lands across PA; Invited several Staff to participate in a Microsoft Teams call on May 6, 2022; Reached out to *Rachel Gleason*-[PA Coal Association](#) to see if she would reach out to her coal company contacts in the Bituminous Region to see if they are interested in solar development on their reclaimed former mine lands; Generally speaking, not a lot of operators operate on abandoned mine lands specifically; There are some remaining that occurs and Government Financed Construction Contracts, but not traditional Title IV Abandoned Mine Lands; *Rachel* knew of some preliminary efforts regarding potentially siting solar on closed coal refuse disposal areas (CRDAs); The land and surface rights are often severed, so in many cases once mined, the post-mining land is reclaimed, and operators are relieved of their liability, and the land is returned to the owner; *Rachel* offered to pass along our work and desire to connect with landowners who might be interested through their newsletter in their member's only section of their website; EPCAMR reached out to *Duane Feagley*, [PA Anthracite Council](#) as well, and is waiting for a response; *Kristen Locy*, Outreach Coordinator for the [Center for Coalfield Justice](#) offered to put some of our lined articles and outreach material in their newsletter to help spread the word on our work; Asked *Anne Daymut*-WPCAMR if they would be able to help spread the word utilizing our two links to stories on our outreach efforts to bring stakeholders to the table that might be interested in solar development on abandoned mine land in the Bituminous Region; She passed along our information to Rosebud Mining; Met with *Steph Raymond*, the new President of PPL at the Woodlands, Wilkes-Barre, and spoke to some of the PPL Regional Staff and *Kim Guanter*, about seeing if they could provide us with any GIS layers of their substations and or transmission or distribution lines to utilize in our Solar Site Selection Suitability Model; Forwarded *Kim's* contact information to *Steve Cornia* on Staff so he can follow up and provide her with a list of layers that we might be able to utilize; Spoke with *Brad Higginbottom*, Project Developer with [Solar Landscape](#), who will be attending the PA AMR Conference and is interested in joining EPCAMR

## **PA American Water Environmental Grant Program Mill/Gardner Creek Roadside/Streamside Cleanups, Luzerne County Project (*proposed*)**

- Awarded a **\$3435** PA American Water grant to conduct several roadside and streamside cleanups in the Mill/Gardner Creek watershed in Luzerne County that were recommended in the Mill/Gardner Creek Coldwater Conservation Plan and to install a water level data logger on the Packer AMD discharge that was discovered during the completion of the watershed assessment over the last two years; Provided *Susan Turcmanovich*, PA American Water with EPCAMR's W9

## **Healing the Scars: Reclaiming Northeastern PA! with ISI**

- ISI, Inc. informed us that they received the Trout Unlimited check for post-production and editing of the "Brookie Braves A Storm" video; EPCAMR Staff are working on the 2022 draft scope of work, deliverables, and budget of **\$34,000** for the second year of work and a second video on iron oxide and art; EPCAMR will be finalizing the agreement in May as we continue to work with *Claudia Meglin* and *Pam Campbell*; Sent *Laura Rinehimer*, EPCAMR Watershed Outreach Education Coordinator some videographer connections in the Wyoming Valley

## **Technical Assistance**

- *Frank Sindaco*, EPCAMR GIS Watershed Outreach Specialist updated the Executive Director on grant research and a white paper he's been working on lately to pull together the Just Transition Fund, Keystone Resources Center, and RECLAIM issues into the Community Data sets for a future grant proposal
- Provided *Jason Tarnowski*, EC with *Chet Hummel's* contact information for The Tire Guys so he could provide it to Enviro-Air, for tire recycling; United by Blue in partnership with EC and UGI are going to be conducting a cleanup of the right-of-way and on EC property by the Susquehanna River in Plymouth Township
- Met with members of ARM Group, led by *Tim Williams*, at the EPCAMR Office to discuss future partnership opportunities with them on solar project development and other watershed restoration projects based on our completed Coldwater Conservation Plans for multiple watersheds in the Wyoming Valley and other services including stream restoration, stormwater, permitting, compliance, and geotechnical
- Provided *Denise Coleman*, NRCS with a link to our EPCAMR ArcGIS Online Reclaimed Abandoned Mine Land Inventory System for her to look around and identify areas for high priority mine land reforestation projects across the Commonwealth
- Provided *Todd Eachus*, Pure Green Bio Ag with a letter of support for their USDA Partnerships for Climate Smart Commodities Grant; We appreciate Pure Green BioAg's innovation in biofuels production and renewable green energy in the form of completely hydrophobic torrefied black energy biopellets from hemp biomass for electric generation that are both energy-efficient and market-competitive; Their Climate Smart Technology producing clean energy biopellets will also help accelerate federal and state emissions compliance under the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) in PA; EPCAMR supports your mission to supplement the United States fuel economy with a strong, clean, bio-agricultural industry that is 100% renewable/sustainable, reduces atmospheric greenhouse gases (GHG) globally, sequesters carbon, and provides much needed jobs and workforce development training opportunities here in PA and abroad; EPCAMR supports their vision is to reduce carbon emissions, sequester carbon, and help change the world through the development of a clean energy economy fueled by agriculture-based biofuel production; The more that their vision can utilize either abandoned mine lands or formerly reclaimed abandoned mine lands throughout Pennsylvania's Anthracite and Bituminous Coal Region as strategic locations for this type of biofuels production, the better
- Suggested that *Jordan Lubetkin*-Director, Ohio River Restoration, National Wildlife Federation reach out to WPCAMR since EPCAMR doesn't have much familiarity with Ohio River Basin watersheds impacted by AMD, since some of those headwater areas in Western PA would fall into their coverage area; If Jordan was looking for some regional expertise in AMD and abandoned mine land reclamation, EPCAMR would be able to offer up some of our technical expertise and knowledge from our perspective, working in the Chesapeake Bay (Susquehanna) watershed and Delaware Estuary (Upper Lehigh and Schuylkill River portions) watersheds

- Provided technical resources and information to *Peter Thomas*, [EarthCare, LLC](#) and received information on his product called Ecochar™; He would like to see the PA DEP purchase their pH 10 to 11, nutrient-rich, sterile, Ecochar™ (biochar) for AMD projects, both as a filtration media to adsorb heavy metals, iron, and arsenic, and to enhance the growth of cover crops on gob piles and poor soils; When utilizing Ecochar™, the State would no longer need to purchase lime or fertilizers, and transportation costs would be lower, since it is produced in southeastern PA; When they have both gasifiers operating in northwest Berks County, PA this fall, they will be producing about 140 tons of Ecochar™ every week, (7,000 tons/year); Asked *Peter* similar questions that were asked by *Todd Wood*, PA DEP BAMR related to the product
- Provided *Martin K. Barry*, Dallas Township Manager, with a letter of support for the second phase of their natural playground park in the Toby Creek watershed; They are submitting the grant to the PA DCNR Recreation Grant Program

### **PEC Wyoming Valley Sanitary Authority Clean Water Advisory Committee Coordination**

- Asked *Matt Mitchell*, WVSA to provide EPCAMR with a copy of the GIS file for the municipalities that are in the MS4 so that we can add it to our StoryMap for the Mill Creek CHP and any other projects that we are working on in the Wyoming Valley; Matt provided us with a copy of the GIS files

### **Community Volunteer Coordination**

- *Kathleen Mooney*, *Trevor Welsh*, *Ian Allison*, and *Colleen McDonald*, EPCAMR volunteers and Wilkes University students, completed their NAACC AOP culvert assessment training online
- Signed up *Jon Yonkondy*, EPCAMR volunteer from West Pittston, to be able to take the online portion of the NAACC AOP culvert assessment training certification
- Followed up with *Norma Pierce*, an Employee Specialist with [Reaching Beyond Limits](#) in Kingston, PA to inform her how to sign up to become a volunteer with EPCAMR for community cleanups that some of her clients who have disabilities are interested in participating with during the year

### **Education & Outreach**

- Provided *BJ Small*, PA Media and Communications Coordinator for the Chesapeake Bay Foundation, with details on pictures of AMD and abandoned mine lands that were provided to him for his blog post; Participated in an interview with him for the Blog on AMD; Reviewed a first draft of his blog at his request and made suggested edits
- EPCAMR submitted comments to the PA DEP Office of Environmental Justice on the need for inclusion of coalfield communities to be prioritized for funding to ensure that disadvantaged communities in the Commonwealth are given the protections they deserve

- EPCAMR Staff assisted *John Levitsky*, Luzerne County Conservation District with the planting of several hundred trees for a riparian restoration and buffer project in the E. Fork of the Harvey's Creek watershed that drains to the Wyoming Valley and was upstream of where we release our rainbow trout that we raise for the Trout in the Classroom program; EPCAMR is a partner, as is the Conservation District with the Keystone 10 Million Trees Partnership
- Coordinated with *Cristy Sweeney* and *Jarret Gibbons*, ARIPPA to set up a field tour to the Gilberton Power Company Co-Gen Plant with *Alex Brush*, Olympus Power and Keystone Reclamation Fuels Management, LLC at the Swoyersville AMLER Reclamation project, and two producers from ***We're Here Podcast*** out of Washington DC; EPCAMR Executive Director set up a tour route and scheduled a field tour to AMD locations in the Wyoming Valley in May
- Provided the PA AML Campaign with a [link](#) to the OSMRE FY 23 Budget Justification documentation and on the Guest Column [article](#) in the Scranton Times-Tribune (behind a paywall, unfortunately) written by the Executive Director of EPCAMR on the STREAM Act and the importance of funding from the Infrastructure bill for AMD and AML work in PA; The PA Environmental Digest picked up the article as well; Participated in the weekly PA AML Campaign conference call to hear updates; Encouraged PA TU to support the STREAM Act
- Presented as a Guest Speaker virtually to two 6<sup>th</sup> grade classes for *Mrs. Hensel* from the Commonwealth Charter Academy (CCA) on EPCAMR's work in the region
- EPCAMR will follow up with *Paul Golias*, Citizens Voice newspaper who reached out to get an update on EPCAMR projects for the late Spring, early Summer 2022
- *Samuel Lamport*, Environmental Coordinator for Knouse Foods located in Adams County has spent hydrated lime that their company uses at an orchard to draw out moisture for the storage of apples; It causes the lime to become calcium carbonate (limestone); He thought the lime bricks could be useful in AMD Treatment or liming streams; They are in their original packaging (paper bags) and sitting on pallets at one of their cold storage facilities; They have over 400 pallets (40 bags/pallet)
- Forwarded the Loyalsock Creek Watershed Association newsletter around to EPCAMR Staff
- Submitted a quote to the Climate Action Campaign at the request of *Dakota Delong-Maxey*, Operations Fellow, on how flooding and storm events impact abandoned mine lands, AMD discharges and the underground mine pool complexes in the coalfields
- *Ed Wytovich*, Catawissa Creek Restoration Association (CCRA) President and EPCAMR Board Member, provided EPCAMR with a link to a recent article on the Catawissa Creek where he was interviewed entitled "[Hopes Rise that Federal Infrastructure Dollars will go towards addressing contamination of Schuylkill County Creek](#)"

- Confirmed participation in a Community Capacity Roundtable Interview with *Susan Raabe*, OpinionWorks; With support from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF), they have been helping the Alliance for the Chesapeake and the Choose Clean Water Coalition assess the capacity needs and gaps for organizations that are working on behalf of Chesapeake Bay restoration – including EPCAMR; This work is of great interest not just to NFWF but to other Bay funders, as well; EPCAMR completed a survey months ago to define our needs in terms of organizational capacity along with 328 organizations working in the Chesapeake Bay watershed
- EPCAMR informed Molly Updegrave, MSW for Reimagine Appalachia that we had signed on to the Reimagine Appalachia letter advocating for inclusion of the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) within the package; A modern CCC could help workers who have been left out of the current labor market; This includes formerly incarcerated returning citizens, those recovering from the opioid crisis, as well as people from low-income or marginalized communities; A living wage and benefits is absolutely essential to targeting and supporting these audiences as well as pre-apprenticeship possibilities, which would help CCC positions lead into long-term career opportunities
- EPCAMR attended PennFuture’s Planning Meeting at the Civic Club, Harrisburg, for the development of a Common Environmental Agenda for PA document that highlights issues in 2022 that are going to be very important to address in the short term, including AMD, clean alternative energy, and abandoned mine reclamation; Assisted with drafting the Air and Water policy solutions and values with *Jen Quinn*, Sierra Club, PA; Participated in a small group facilitator instruction meeting with *Cecily Harwitt* to discuss how to obtain values and policy solutions from environmental justice organizations across the Commonwealth; Provided *Mike Mehrazar*, Field Manager, PennFuture with a W-9 for EPCAMR since we were eligible for a **\$1000** stipend for our work in the development of the Common Environmental Agenda
- Provided Professor *David Heineman*, Ph.D, Associate Director in Communication Studies, Bloomsburg University with links and resources on AMD for a video documentary that he is working on after he had inquired by stopping in the Office
- Coordinated with *Abby Seig*, Columbia County Conservation District about the Catawissa Cree Festival scheduled for July 30<sup>th</sup> at the Cara Park along the Susquehanna River in Catawissa; Looking for a vendor for a quote on youth t-shirts for AMD Tie Dying at the event
- Provided information on environmental justice and coalfield communities related to EPCAMR’s Justice 40 Screening Tool comments, to *Kerry Murakami*, a Senior Reporter for Route 50, in Washington DC
- Provided educational background on AMD, AML, and highwalls and open stripping pits to *Derek Miller*, a Staff person from Senator Casey’s Office

- Provided *Justin Dula*, PA DEP Office of Environmental Justice (OEJ), several interview questions that could be asked of the new position that is going to be filled with the PA DEP OEJ; Participated in the PA DEP OEJ Environmental Justice Advisory Board WebEx Conference call and sent around a presentation to *Mike* and *Frank* on the mapping layers that they are adding, including the AMD and AML layers that we advocated for and suggested to their EJ Screening GIS Tool and Strategic Plan
- EPCAMR was featured on a local WVIA Public Broadcasting Station [show](#) called Keystone Edition Arts, showcasing environmental artists and our work using recycled AMD as a pigment source for art and education
- *Dr. Andrea Nerozzi* provided EPCAMR with a copy of *Kathy Lin's* presentation for PA Junior Academy of Science on correlating income levels with impaired waterways and provided feedback on the research; *Dr. Nerozzi* would like to highlight some of the great work of Wyoming Seminary with EPCAMR over the last decade or more at the upcoming Board Meeting in May
- Provided *Brian Wagner*, PA Council of Trout Unlimited information on the STREAM Act and additional information for his Conservation Committee Report for State Council
- *Jody Ocker*, Co-Chair of the Sunbury Semi quincentennial Committee requested if EPCAMR could have someone come and make a presentation in their amphitheater on July 7 in the early afternoon on our work; EPCAMR will look into it and get back to her in May

### **Keep PA Beautiful Anti-Litter Campaign Update on Materials and Curriculum**

- Reviewed the Keep PA Beautiful draft agreement with *Laura* and provided comments; Encouraged all Staff to review the first and second Open Your Eyes on Litter booklets to make suggestions and edits that *Laura Rinehimer*-EPCAMR Watershed Outreach Education Coordinator will provide to KPB; *Laura* will be working on matching the academic standards up by grade level for the first and second book and will be forwarding along the comments for content changes and graphic element changes to the booklets to Keep PA Beautiful; There's [5 Open Your Eyes to Litter books](#) (OYEL), a science curriculum, teachers guides and a student action project. We will work with an illustrator to fix the books and Denise will translate any of the changes we make into Spanish. They requested interactive content for the curriculum such as games, quizzes, interactive tours etc. which we will do through a Storymap; Provided comments on the first and second book

### **Askam in Wonderland: A Virtual Reality AMD Watershed Experience Environmental Education Project**

- Sent around the grant agreement from the 2022 PA DEP Environmental Education Grants Program to obtain signatures from the President and Treasurer; EPCAMR was awarded a **\$13,879** grant to create content and a virtual learning environment and watershed experience at the Askam AMD Maelstrom Oxidizer Treatment System in Hanover Township, Luzerne County, on Earth Conservancy property, who also is a partner in the project



## Conferences, Training, Webinars, Tours, Exhibits, & Workshops

- Participated in a webinar with *Phil Cunningham*, Director of Sales, [FireSpring](#), to learn more about revamping and updating non-profit websites; *Phil* provided a link to additional [webinars](#) following the call; *Phil* provided a [link](#) to their various level of services
- Followed up with speakers for the PA AMR Conference to get their abstracts submitted and their bios for the website and program agenda and made a formal invite to Secretary *Cindy Adams Dunn* from PA DCNR; Provided *Labella Associates* with EPCAMR's W-9 for the PA AMR Conference
- Followed up with *Jeff Herb*-Shamokin Creek Restoration Association (SCRA) member and with On The Fly Aerial Imagery, that is putting together some drone footage and video footage of AMD Treatment systems and discharges in the watershed to be submitted to the Conference to be showcased for the attendees
- A few of the EPCAMR Staff travelled to State College, PA to the Ramada Conference Center Hotel to test run the Zoom Events AV connections for the hybrid portion of the conference for those that won't be attending in person and will be joining us virtually; *Anne Daymut* from WPCAMR joined us to connect with the PA AMR Conference Planning Committee
- Coordinated with *Kelly Gibbons*, King's College Community Outreach Coordinator to conduct an EPCAMR AMD Outreach Exhibit with the Environmental Club at King's College, Wilkes-Barre, PA for Earth Day and held an AMD Tie Dye Activity Workshop for the college students on campus; They provided upcycled t-shirts for any students who wanted to create an AMD Tie Dye and learn about EPCAMR's work and how to become a volunteer
- EPCAMR hosted a full-day AMD/AML Watershed Tour in the Wyoming Valley for the Penn-State Environmental Resource Management student body program from State College to give them insight in to the work of EPCAMR as the Executive Director's role since he is a graduate of the ERM Program Class of 95'

## EPCAMR Program Administration

- Reconciled EPCAMR's Checking Account and PA Invest Accounts; Paid Health Care Premiums for EPCAMR Staff for April 2022 with Highmark; Paid Verizon and Internet monthly bills; Paid EC the rent; Made deposits to FNB for incoming reimbursements, checks, and accounts receivables; Provided *Denise* with a copy of the March and April 2022 FNB Statements
- Completed the April 2022 Monthly Report for both the 319 Program and for the Board Reporting and forwarded it to *Mike*; Worked on submission of March 319 Reimbursement with *Denise*
- Awarded a **\$2000** convening grant to the Foundation for PA Watersheds for an organizational capacity grant to research and look into 401 (k) options for EPCAMR Staff
- Worked with *Denise* to fix an ACH error made when submitted for our invoice from Larson Design Group; A single digit was out of place and the transaction would not go through to allow for the transfer of funds for the work performed to sample AMD discharges for the Luzerne and Lackawanna County Action Plans (CAPs)

- Discussed with PA Invest how to open up a second community pool account for a new project for the Catawissa Creek Fishing Access and received instruction on how to set up the account from *Denise Nornhold*; Will need to write a check to place the initial deposit into it for the project; Prepared a letter that PA Invest needed from EPCAMR to open the account with our account information and explain the summary of the project
- Completed an application with NAIER to receive donated educational supplies and submitted information on how the supplies would be used for our environmental education programs across the region with youth in underserved coalfield communities; Application was approved and accepted by *Jennifer Leiber*
- Received our renewal for the 2022-2023 General Liability Insurance from the PA Organization for Watersheds & Rivers (POWR) with coverage that runs from April 14, 2022 through April 14, 2023
- Worked with *Mike* to order and updated our version of Quickbooks for Non-Profits Premiere from TechSoup for EPCAMR since they were going to be discontinuing the 2019 version in May