



Our activities:

- Assist in reclaiming abandoned mine lands and removing ugly waste coal piles
- Reduce the amount of polluted water known as abandoned mine drainage (AMD) that enters the region's streams, discoloring water and killing fish
- Perform watershed assessments by monitoring water quality, chemistry, and flow
- Reclaim iron oxide, a pollutant commonly found in AMD, from area streams and process it into a pigment that can be used in paints, ceramic glazes, and jewelry
- Convert old coal mine maps into electronic versions that can be preserved and widely shared
- Offer professional services such as watershed assessments and GIS mapping to county/local governments, nonprofits, and businesses
- Beautify communities by conducting cleanups of illegal dumpsites and planting native wildflowers and trees
- Present environmental education programs at schools and other community venues



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Counties served

Bradford	Montour
Carbon	Northumberland
Columbia	Schuylkill
Dauphin	Sullivan
Lackawanna	Susquehanna
Lebanon	Tioga
Luzerne	Wayne
Lycoming	Wyoming



EPCAMR

Eastern Pennsylvania Coalition
for Abandoned Mine Reclamation

**Improving landscapes
and lives in our region's
coal communities**

About EPCAMR

EPCAMR is a small but impactful nonprofit based near Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. The organization got its start in the mid-1990s and continues to successfully lead projects throughout the region to improve landscapes and lives.

EPCAMR's mission is to encourage the reclamation and redevelopment of land affected by past coal mining practices.

You can support EPCAMR and help to uplift people and places in our coal communities through actions such as these:

- Volunteer to assist EPCAMR with field work or office tasks
- Donate money or material goods (see EPCAMR's online "wish list")
- Purchase iron oxide paint pigments or other items from EPCAMR's online store
- Become a sponsor of the annual Pennsylvania Abandoned Mine Reclamation Conference or other EPCAMR activity
- Contribute a major gift (property, stock) to EPCAMR's organizational endowment fund
- Follow EPCAMR's Facebook and other social media accounts

To learn more, visit www.epcamr.org.



The Susquehanna River appears reddish-orange – a result of pollution seeping from abandoned coal mines – near the city of Pittston, in Luzerne County, in this August 2018 photo. Today, an estimated 5,500 miles of Pennsylvania creeks and rivers are tainted by abandoned mine drainage, or AMD. EPCAMR works with project partners to decrease the amount of AMD flowing into the region's waterways where it spoils the scenery, creates "dead zones" for fish, and deprives residents of recreational opportunities such as boating and fishing. For more than 30 years, EPCAMR has been serving the region with projects that improve public health and safety, boost the economy, and spread opportunity and hope.

Hire EPCAMR staff for professional services

- Water quality monitoring
- Watershed assessment
- Stream restoration
- GIS data and map services
- 3D mine pool mapping
- Drone services

Schedule EPCAMR staff for education/outreach

- Watershed tours
- Outreach programs for schools, festivals, and other community events
- Tie-dyed T-shirt activity using iron oxide pigments
- Trout in the Classroom (patrountinthe classroom.org)
- Visit our online Streamside Science Education Hub (education.epcamr.org)