

# Susquehanna Riverlands Conservation Landscape

## EXAMPLES OF FUNDED PROJECTS



### ABOUT THE RIVERLANDS



**SUSQUEHANNA  
RIVERLANDS**

PLAY. EXPLORE. EXPERIENCE.

The Susquehanna Riverlands features three major lakes created by hydroelectric dams, three nationally recognized recreation trails (Susquehanna River Trail, Kelly's Run Pinnacle Trail, and the Mason-Dixon Trail), as well as the 14 mile North West River Trail, and the Turkey Hill Section of the Enola Low Grade Rail Trail in Manor Township, a National Natural Landmark (Ferncliff Nature Preserve), Native American archaeological sites, an Audubon Society designated important bird area (Conejohela flats), more than 2,000 acres of protected publicly accessible land, and 29 municipalities in Lancaster in York counties.

### PURPOSE

To improve public access to the river, preserve environmentally sensitive areas and the forested river landscape, improve water quality, provide additional recreational opportunities, and revitalize the Rivertown communities of Marietta, Columbia, and Wrightsville.

### HELLAM TOWNSHIP

#### Green Infrastructure Stormwater Runoff Demonstration Project

The Hellam Township Environmental Advisory Council received funding for the installation of a demonstration rain garden, rain barrels, and native plant gardens. The project educates the public on how stormwater run-off can be managed in a cost-effective and aesthetically pleasing manner.



### LANCASTER AREA SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

#### Signage system for the Northwest Lancaster County River Trail

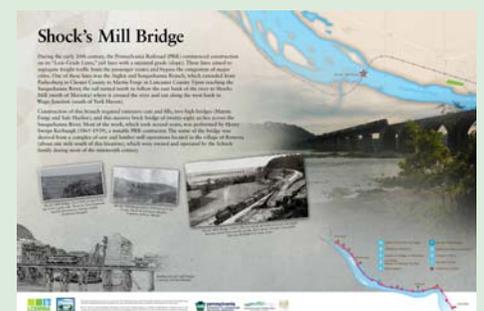
Funding was used to develop a unified and comprehensive interpretive signage system along the Northwest River Trail to help highlight the natural, historic, and scenic resources of the Susquehanna River.

Stories from early settlement, industry, and trade practices along the river, to the native habitats and wildlife along the corridor.

### COLUMBIA BOROUGH

#### Management/Operation Plan for Columbia Borough's Park and Trail Services Building

Funding was awarded to Columbia Borough to hire professionals to develop a management and operation plan for the newly completed building at the Columbia River Park. The building we will serve at a trail head for the North Northwest River Trail and other visitors to the Susquehanna Riverland region. Funding includes furniture and Audio Visual.



## DONEGAL INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

### Public Art Mosaic at East Donegal Township's Riverfront Park

Local artists worked with 935 third to sixth grade students from the Donegal Intermediate School worked with to design and install a tile mosaic on the retaining wall in the East Donegal Riverfront Park.

The artist worked with the students to establish themes for the mosaic, sculpt and paint the tiles and install the mosaic on the retaining wall in the park.



## LANCASTER CREATIVE FACTORY

### Artful Benches and Natural Sculptures along the Northwest Lancaster County River Trail/ Mosaic tile video documentation

The Lancaster Creative Factory a non-profit based in Lancaster City worked with students, artists, fabricators and volunteers to create a set of artistic, functional and permanent benches to provide trail visitors with an aesthetically pleasing place to rest.

Students also received training to develop a video documenting the entire mosaic process. Once

complete the video will be edited and released via YouTube and other social media locations.

## YORK COUNTY PARK FOUNDATION CHARITABLE TRUST

### Interpretive Signage at York County's Highpoint Scenic Vista

Interpretive signage was developed to highlight the natural, cultural and historic resources of York County's Highpoint Scenic Vista.

The signs will include the development of QR codes for hand held devices that will be directed to a website which will introduce the visitor to the Susquehanna Riverlands region. Primary organizing partners for the Susquehanna Riverlands Conservation Landscape are Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Lancaster County Conservancy, Susquehanna Gateway Heritage Area, Lancaster County Planning Commission, York County Planning commission, National Park Service and the Farm and Natural Lands Trust of York County. For more information visit

<http://www.dcnr.state.pa.us/cli/lowersusquehanna/index.htm> or <http://www.lancasterconservancy.org/about/susquehanna-riverlands-program/>



Shocks Mill Bridge Underpass  
Northwest River Trail



Chicques Creek Bridge  
Northwest River Trail



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