Monongahela Conservation District Monthly Meeting Minutes September 3, 2015

I. Call to order

Chairman Jean Conley called to order the regular meeting of the **Monongahela Conservation District** at **9:31 a.m.** on **September 3, 2015**, at the Boothsville United Methodist Church Hall in Fairmont, WV. **Mark Myers** led in the pledge of allegiance.

II. Roll call

Chairman Jean Conley introduced those present and passed around a sign-in sheet. The following persons were present: Supervisors: Mary Lebnick, Jean Conley, Mark Myers, Donald Headley, Jim McDonald, Paul Nesselroad, and Ed Utterback. Others present were: Amy Cosco (DM), Jeremy Salyer (WVCA), Brad Durst (WVCA), Bill Shockey (Extension) and H.R. Scott (Extension). **Excused**:

III. Approval of the August 6, 2015 Agenda

Paul Nesselroad made a motion to approve the September 3, 2015 agenda. Seconded by Mark Myers. Motion carried.

IV. Approval of minutes from last meeting

<u>Paul Nesselroad moved to approve the August 6, 2015 board meeting minutes as amended. Seconded</u> <u>by Ed Utterback. Motion carried.</u>

V. Approval of financial statements

- a) <u>Ed Utterback moved to approve and pay the credit card receipts. Seconded by Paul Nesselroad.</u> <u>Motion carried.</u>
- b) <u>General/CDO financial statements. Ed Utterback moved to approve the partial August 2015</u> <u>General/CDO financial statements. Seconded by Paul Nesselroad. Motion carried.</u>
- c) <u>Co-admin funds statement for August 2015- Ed Utterback made the motion to approve the Co-</u> <u>administered funds for August 2015. Seconded by Paul Nesselroad. Motion carried.</u>

VI. <u>Visitors Comments</u> – none

VII. <u>Cooperating Agencies</u>

Watershed Division-

Cobun Creek- accept/reject bids- Jeremy reported that Green Rivers was the apparent low bid with \$99,500.00. Ed Martin requests the board to approve the low bid pending the verification from Ed Cox. The EOI application for the project has to be sent in and paid for. It is a \$300.00 fee.

Mark Myers made the motion to allow Jean Conley to put the Cobun Creek EIO application fee on the District credit card. Seconded by Ed Utterback. Motion carried.

Don Headley made the motion to accept the bid from Green Rivers for the MCD 2015-08-25 SPRP Lower Cobun Creek Project pending verification from Ed Cox. Seconded by Paul Nesselroad. Motion carried. **<u>Upper Buffalo Watershed</u>**- Tygarts Valley Conservation District crew is working on the OM&R for the dam and will be finished soon.

Upper Deckers Watershed -TVCD Invoices: \$6,115.00, #1885 \$2,880.65, #1947 \$1,787.50, #1948 \$762.50, #1950 \$1,942.50, and #1951 \$1,622.50- Jeremy explained that all of the invoices were for the OM&R work done on the dams.

Don Headley made the motion to approve the invoices from TVCD. Seconded by Ed Utterback. Motion carried

Vandalism and ATV issues- Pictures of the damage were shown to the board. Ed will report at the next meeting.

<u>SPRP- TVCD Invoice #1889 for \$1,772.20 – the invoice presented is for a SPRP job done in Fairview.</u>

Don Headley moved to pay invoice #1889 for \$1,722.20 to TVCD for the SPRP project. Seconded by Ed Utterback. Motion carried.

EWP- none

<u>WVCA Conservation Specialist</u>- report provided. Brad investigated how the current practices could be expanded to include Forestry best management practices. He wanted to update the board he is looking into Woodland Invasive Species Management.

Ag Enhancement Program – committee permission to approve, pay, and/or cancel applications.

Mark Myers made the motion to allow the MCD AgEP Committee to approve, pay, and/or cancel applications. Seconded by Ed Utterback. Motion carried.

WVU Extension

-Bill Shockey- report provided. He requested the District support the Women in Agriculture Conference being held October 23rd and 24th at Canaan Valley Resort and Conference Center.

Don Headley made the motion to sponsor \$200.00 to the Women in Agriculture Conference. Seconded by Paul Nesselroad. Motion carried.

-H.R. Scott- wrapped up a month of county fairs and county sales. He reported that North Elementary will be starting on the high tunnel again and they hope to have it finished by October. -John Murray- no report

NRCS – no report

<u>FSA</u>- no report

Solid Waste Authority Monongalia County SWA- no report **Marion County SWA-** Jim McDonald reported that they had their board meeting on August 24, 2015. They had an e-recycling event and ended with 6 trailer loads. They then had a tire collection event and it was very successful. They have shipped out three trailers of cardboard and another is ready to go out next week. They have received \$3,000.00 for the litter control program. The SWA will match the \$3,000.00 and the money will be used for educational materials.

Preston County SWA- no report

District Manager Report- report provided.

Ed Utterback made the motion to order 100 pocket knives. Seconded by Don Headley. Motion carried.

WVCA Area Director- report provided

VIII. Invoice/Payments

Mark Matheny for August \$350.00 – <u>Mark Myers made the motion to pay Mark Matheny \$350.00 for</u> services rendered during the month of August. Seconded by Paul Nesselroad. Motion Carried.

IX. Cooperator Agreements-

Jason Grubb- Marion County- 56.8 acres

Leonard Smouse- Preston County- 65 acres

Jeff Harsh- Preston County- 95 acres

Thomas McKee- Preston County- 248 acres

Ronald Brand- Monongalia County- 202 acres

Mark Myers made the motion to approve Jason Grubb, Leonard Smouse, Jeff Harsh, Thomas McKee, and Ronald Brad as cooperators. Seconded by Paul Nesselroad. Motion carried.

X. <u>AgEP Approvals</u>

Chris Brown (Marion Co.)-HUAP, 2828 Sq. Ft. (Variance needed since it is over 2500 Sq. Ft.) Barn Lot Estimated cost share \$3817.80

Phyllis & James Summers (Preston County)-Invasive Control, approximately 2 acres Estimated cost share \$250 (\$500 total chemical costs)

Teddy Jenkins (Preston County)-Livestock Water Development, 2 Troughs (source developed, variance needed)

Estimated cost share \$3000 (if 2 are approved)

Exclusion Fence, approximately 856 feet- Estimated cost share \$1412.40

Pasture Division Fence, approximately 615 feet- Estimated cost share \$1014.75

Leonard J. (LJ) Smouse (Preston County)-Livestock Water Development, Trough and pipe (source developed and has a tire for trough) - Estimated cost share \$1500.00

Jason Grubb (Marion County) - Invasive Control (Mechanical and chemical) on approximately 3 acres

Estimated Cost \$2,200.00 (\$2,000 mechanical, \$200.00 Chemicals)

Water Development (source developed) Trough and pipe needed- Estimated cost share \$1500

JR Wolfe (Preston County) -Water Development, pipe replacement, approximately 1000' (reason for replacement - existing size pipe is not adequate to deliver water to troughs) Estimated cost share \$1500

Wesley Hunt (Marion County) -Water Development, renovate existing spring, pipe and trough (would like 2 troughs but unless he divides the pasture only one justified at this time) - Estimated cost share \$1500

Charles Sutton (Monongalia County) -Lime, 35 acres, 70 tons -Estimated cost share \$1540.00

Ronald Brand (Monongalia County) -Lime, 64 acres, 128 tons -Estimated cost share \$2416.00

Thomas McKee (Preston County) -Lime, 84 acres, 252 tons -Estimated cost share \$5334.00

Tama Riley (Preston County) -Lime, 25 acres, 59.5 tons -Estimated cost share \$1285.25

Roger Henry (Monongalia County) -Lime, 26.56 acres, 67.085 tons -Estimated cost share \$1440.96

Mark Myers made the motion to approve the AgEP applications from Chris Brown, Phyllis and James Summers, Teddy Jenkins, Leonard Smouse, Jason Grubb, Wesley Hunt, Charles Sutton, Ronald Brand, Thomas McKee, Tama Riley, and Roger Henry, with the exception of JR Wolfe, until Brad can further investigate his request. Seconded by Ed Utterback. Motion carried.

XI. Approval of Supervisor Travel and Per Diem Claims for the month of July 2015

Jean Conley- \$824.05 Ed Utterback- \$651.19

Art Mouser- \$1,050.82 Don Headley- \$1,072.26

Mark Myers made the motion to approve the District Supervisor Travel and Per Diem claims for the month of July 2015. Seconded by Paul Nesselroad. Motion carried.

XII. <u>Unfinished Business</u>

Monongalia County Farm Preservation Committee- Paul reported that there is movement on the farm preservation in Monongalia County.

Preston County Farm Preservation Committee- Ed reported their meeting is September 15, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

Camp Dawson- Bilco Invoice \$12, 925.00, NRCS Pierce Lake Invoice #3001256777 \$1,010.38, NRCS Pierce Lake Invoice #3001375575 \$5,652.61-

Mark Myers made the motion to pay the Bilco Invoice for \$12,925.00. Seconded by Don Headley. Motion carried.

Don Headley made the motion to pay the NRCS Invoice #3001256777 for \$1,010.38 pending authorization from Camp Dawson. Seconded by Mark Myers. Motion carried.

Don Headley made the motion to pay the NRCS Invoice #3001375575 for \$5,652.61 pending authorization from Camp Dawson. Seconded by Mark Myers. Motion carried.

Travel and Per Diem Policy and Procedure- Jean explained that the meals are set at \$6.00 for breakfast, \$9.00 for lunch, and \$15.00 for dinner. The board members decided to make an amendment to the policy that states: Conference meals may be reimbursed at the rate listed on the registration form but any other meals are to follow the rates of \$6.00, \$9.00, and \$15.00.

Don Headley made the motion to amend the policy manual so that conference meals may be reimbursed at the rate listed on the registration form but any other meals are to follow the rates of \$6.00, \$9.00, and \$15.00. Seconded by Paul Nesselroad. Motion carried.

XIII. <u>New Business</u>

Annual Banquet- Guest List- board members are to have any additions/changes to the District Manager by September 11, 2015. Awards: Public Service Award- Phillip Gregg Outstanding Service to the District Award- Raymond Frazier Solid Waste Authority Award- Hayward Helmick Frank Glover Award- Robert Maxwell Luther Britton Award- Ed Rayburn

Mark Myers made the motion to accept those nominated for awards. Seconded by Paul Nesselroad. Motion carried.

Brickstreet Workers Compensation Policy-it was discussed that the District has a workers compensation policy but has not had a district employee for quite some time.

<u>Paul Nesselroad moved to drop the Brickstreet Workers Compensation Policy due to the fact they do not</u> have any District employees. Seconded by Ed Utterback. Motion Carried.

XV. <u>Building and Grounds</u>

Water Fountain- the water fountain has been turned off for a month now. No one has noticed. Discussion was held about replacing, removing, or repairing the water fountain.

Paul Nesselroad made the motion to replace the water fountain. Seconded by Mark Myers. Motion carried.

Security system repairs- the system has been hit by lightning again. Ed is going to contact Brandon with Protex so repairs can be made.

Chairs in the Building- Don Phillips requested some of the chairs at the June Special Board Meeting. He is now requesting the rest. Discussion was held and concerns were voiced. The district may need the chairs in the future.

Mark Myers made the motion to let Jean distribute the chairs as necessary. Motion died for lack of a second.

Certificate of Occupancy- the building does not have a certificate of occupancy. The Fire Marshall will have to come and do an inspection. Ed is going to contact the Fire Marshall.

Backflow Valve- Ed called Danny Layton to install the valve. Mr. Layton will be installing the valve.

XVI. <u>Committee Reports:</u>

Finance- Chairman: Paul Nesselroad- none

Education- Chairman: Paul Nesselroad- none

Legislation/Policy- Chairman: Mark Myers- none

Grasslands- Chairman: Don Headley- Next meeting is October 9, 2015 in Weston

Safety/Buildings and Grounds- Chairman: Ed Utterback- everything has been covered

Ag Enhancement- Chairman: Art Mouser- the committee set a meeting date of September 17, 2015 at 1:00 p.m.

WII. <u>Correspondence-</u> newsletters from other districts.

VIII. Public Comment- none

XIX. Supervisor Reports

- **Paul Nesselroad** – is glad to see the automatic lights installed in the restrooms. His garden hasn't done well this year. His children put in two raised beds in his back yard as a present. The wall by his house still isn't fixed.

- Mark Myers- went to the wool festival.

- Ed Utterback – had his family reunion. There were about 76 people in attendance and the furthest one came from Africa. The barn dance is coming up October 4, 2015 from 2 p.m.-6p.m.

- Art Mouser – absent.

- Jim McDonald- had to leave early.

- Jean Conley – attended the fiber festival. She was very impressed at the increase in vendors compared to previous years. Her garden isn't doing well. She's excited for Hands-on Ag Days next week.

- Mary Lebnick – a grouse broke a window in her house. She's been trying to catch a ground hog and wound up catching an opossum. She attended Mrs. Teets funeral.

- Don Headley – attended Mrs. Teets funeral.

XX. Adjournment

Paul Nesselroad moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:38 pm.

The next scheduled meeting is October 1, 2015 at the Steve Lebnick Agricultural Center in Morgantown, WV.

Minutes submitted by: Amy Cosco, ASA3/District Manager

Minutes approved by:

Jean Conley, Chairman

Date

MCD AgEP Committee Meeting Minutes

August 26, 2015

9:00 a.m.

Those in attendance: Jean Conley, Paul Nesselroad, Ed Utterback, Brad Durst, Amy Cosco

Jean Conley called the meeting to order at 9:18 a.m. and then turned the meeting over to Brad Durst.

<u>Update reports on state polices</u>: Brad reported that there are two supervisors interested in applying to the Agriculture Enhancement Program. There was an email sent about the procedure that has to be followed if a supervisor applies to any of the programs.

<u>MCD Program Report</u>: Brad has at least 30 people in his list and has been able to make visits to about half of them so far. He has also taken soil samples from a number of fields. He has 1 Invasive Species Management application, 4 Water Development applications, 1 Heavy Use Area, 1 Exclusion/Division Fence application, and the rest are Lime applications.

Individual Cooperator Plans and Rankings: item was tabled

<u>Forestry Considerations for Possible Addition to Program</u>: the committee is thinking about expanding the Invasive Species and Heavy Use Area applications to include some forestry practices.

Other Miscellaneous Items: Brad has had some farmers ask about a cost-share on planting cover crops.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

August 2015 Monthly Report Bradley Durst, Conservation Specialist, WVCA

Conservation Assistance

Provided WVU recommendations for milkweed control to several farmers Seeding recommendations to one farmer Most of the time was spent on Ag Enhancement this month

Camp Dawson

Final plan and cost estimate being put together for security fence project.

Ag Enhancement

Applicant, practice, ranking score, estimated cost (Calculated maximum payment) and other details for Board consideration

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Others visited and in process:

Allen Wolfe – Lime, soils sampled Ed Utterback – Lime, soils sampled TJ Smouse – Lime, soils sampled William Thompson – Lime, soils sampled Robert Shaffer – Lime, soils sampled; HUAP Jeff Harsh – Lime, soils sampled; Exclusion fencing Robert Lough – Lime, soils sampled

Monthly Ag Enhancement Meeting



West Virginia University

Extension Service

August 6, 2015

Subject: Preston County Report to Monongahela Conservation District

From: Bill Shockey, Preston County Extension Agent

August Report:

Held Barn and Show Chairman's meeting in preparation for Buckwheat Festival,

Preston Growers Group continues progress towards organizing a local foods production cooperative.

Met with Morgan Tangson Farms to identify potential agricultural production and/or cooperative research ventures.

September Calendar:

Every Friday at 2 pm: Livestock Auction at Preston Farmers Market, Terra Alta.

September 3: Preston County Livestock Association, Cow Palace, Kingwood, 8 pm.

September 10: Preston County Antique Tractor Association, Preston County Extension Office, 7 pm.

September 15: Preston County Farmland Protection Board, Preston County EDA Office, 7 pm.

September 17: Preston County Beekeepers Association, Preston County Extension Office, 7 pm.

September 17 - 20: WV Livestock Roundup, Jackson's Mill

September 19: Preston County Livestock Association, Barn Cleanup, Cow Palace, Kingwood.

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September 22 - 27: Preston County Buckwheat Festival, Kingwood

Preston County Extension Office

115 West Court Street Kingwood WV 26537-1192

Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Institution

Sept. 3, 2015

Re: Women In Agriculture Conference

Dear Monongahela District Supervisors:

Recently you received a request to support an amazing opportunity for female farmers to network, learn farm business marketing and finance best practices, and improve their leadership skills. The West Virginia University Extension Service has planned more than a dozen sessions for the 2015 Women In Agriculture Conference. This allows participants to tailor their conference experience to their specific needs.

Developing relationships with others of similar interest is essential to the success of new farmers and the maintained success of existing farmers. This conference will facilitate that essential networking while providing an extensive opportunity for expanding their knowledge.

I hope you will support this Conference and the women farmers of our district. Please make checks out to *West Virginia University Foundation* and add *Women in Agriculture Conference* to the notes section. If you have any questions about sponsorship please contact the WVU Extension Service Office of Development at 304-293-5692 or Brent Clark, Director of Development, at 304-293-8622 or <u>brent.clark@mail.wvu.edu</u>. If you would like to know more about the conference please visit our webpage: <u>http://anr.ext.wvu.edu/ag-women/wia-conference</u>.

We appreciate the support you have given to Extension Programs in the past. Your partnership is important in providing quality educational opportunities. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Warm regards,

Bell John, H.R. Bill, John, & H.R.

Ag & Natural Resources Agent WVU Extension Service, Marion, Monongalia & Preston Counties





2015

Women in Agriculture Conference

October 23-24, 2015 Cannan Valley Resort Davis, W.Va.

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Dear Friend of Agriculture,

The West Virginia University Extension Service is excited to host the 2015 West Virginia Women in Agriculture Conference, October 23-24, 2015 at Canaan Valley Resort in Davis, West Virginia. Last year, our inaugural conference was a huge success in bringing together top females in agriculture to promote leadership development and provide production and marketing education.

For the past four years, WVU Extension Service has made it a priority to educate and train current and emerging female leaders in agriculture. Through trainings, meetings and events, WVU Extension Service has trained more than 300 West Virginia women, who have directly and indirectly reached thousands of individuals, families and communities across the state.

It takes a strong support system to build sustainable operations, and your role is vital in the growth, development and success of West Virginia agri-women. Please consider becoming a sponsor for our 2015 West Virginia Women in Agriculture Conference.

Our conference provides an ideal opportunity to reach farm operators, business leaders and landowners who will be seeking the services provided by your organization or corporation. We would like for you to be a part of this unique opportunity by supporting and strengthening West Virginia women farmers and agri-businesses. Additional conference information and sponsorship opportunities are included with this letter.

If have questions about sponsorship opportunities, please contact the WVU Extension Service Office of Development at 304-293-5692.







Women in Agriculture Conference

2015 Women in Agriculture Conference

October 23-24, 2015 Cannan Valley Resort Davis, W.Va.

2015 Goals Education:

Obtain valuable information through discussion-based learning.

Network:

Effectively connect with other producers, funders, service-providers, and governmental representatives.

Leadership:

Develop and share leadership skills to increase success in the agriculture and natural resources industry.

Viability:

Improve efficiency and increase small farm and agribusiness sustainability in West Virginia. The WVU Extension Service is pleased to present the 2015 Women in Agriculture Conference, October 23-24, 2015, at Cannan Valley Resort in Davis, WV. The Women in Agriculture are proud to present this statewide conference to promote leadership development, and provide production and marketing education for agricultural producers and service providers.

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To make this and future programs possible for West Virginia producers and service providers, we welcome your support! Your role is vital in the growth, development, and success of West Virginia agri-women.

It takes a strong support system to build sustainable operations, and we value you as an important stakeholder in this program. We hope you will take this unique opportunity to support and strengthen the diverse training for West Virginia women farmers and agri-businesses.

Audience:

With over 9,000 female farmers in West Virginia striving to develop and maintain sustainable farms and agribusinesses, this conference will help

recognize and embrace the impact of women on West Virginia Agriculture.

As women continue to be an integral part of agriculture and agribusiness in West Virginia, it is WVU Extension's responsibility—as part of WVU and its land-grant mission—to help fulfill the needs of women farmers and all West Virginians.

Objectives:

- West Virginia-specific projected costs and revenues for Ag products compiled and shared
- Agri-women grow more confident in farm and business abilities
- Innovative business-farm
 relationships formed
- Supportive statewide network built and sustained
- More women farmers' voices heard and valued

For information contact:

Brandy Brabham, WIA Conference co-chair, at 304-927-0975 or *brandy.brabham@mail.wvu.edu* or Daisy Bailey, WIA Conference co-chair at 304-462-7061 or *daisy.fryman@mail.wvu.edu*

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October 23-24, 2015 **Cannan Valley Resort** Davis, W.Va.



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Questions?

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District Manager Report 9-3-15

- I received a call from the NRCS in Fairmont. They had to do a survey about our building. This was the first time that they've had to do something like this. Jamey asked me about the security system, the locks on the doors in the building, about sprinklers, fire alarmsextinguishers-smoke detectors, ect. The NRCS has already told the District to hold off on the server room, which I was also questioned about, because that there will be other things that will need updated and/or repaired before the contract is signed next year. One of the things that we discussed is the locks for the doors in the building. The questions was, had the locks on the doors to the offices been changed in the last 10 years? The only lock I'm aware of being changed is the door to the watershed office. The reason behind asking this is because people and agencies have come and left the building and it would be a good idea to change them all and issue new keys. This also applies to the fobs for the security system. Those fobs have been used since the system was purchased. It would be a good idea to deactivate all on the list, order new, and reissue fobs. I'm trying to keep the District updated the best of my ability so that there aren't a number of things that need done within a short time frame next year before NRCS will sign the contract. Changing the locks and fobs is something that could be done now, just as a maintenance item.
- Hands-on Ag Days is coming up next week. I urge those who haven't participated before to join us!! We will see an estimated five hundred and eighty 8th grade students over the course of three days.
- I have included an order form in your binders. The company we ordered pens from last year sent us another promotional item. It is a knife that is similar to a Swiss Army knife. I thought I would let the board review it to see if it were something you would be interested in purchasing as a promotional item this year.



September 2015 WVCA Report

WVSCC Meeting:

The West Virginia State Conservation Committee meeting will be October 13th @ 10:30 a.m. in Guthrie.

West Virginia Association of Conservation Districts (WVACD):

The WVACD Fall Quarterly meeting will be October 26th and 27th in Flatwoods. The deadline for registration forms and hotel reservations is October 16. All banquet registration forms are to be given to your district manager along with payment before October 16. Please call the hotel directly at 1-866-700-7284 or 1-304-765-5055 to make your room reservations. The award presentations will begin at 1:30 and the banquet will begin at 4:30 on Tuesday.

Legislative Code Review Committee:

No date has been set for the group to meet as of yet. The group plans to meet sometime in September.

WVCA Budget:

The WVCA has been asked to submit a status quo budget for this year. There are no anticipated increases or cuts.

Travel and Per Diem Policies:

Brian is requesting that finalized copies of your CD's Travel and Per Diem Polices be submitted to Guthrie.

WVCA Project Section:

OM&R

* The WVCA Project Section is continuing monthly inspections of flood control dams. O&M work is progressing in all areas.

* Work continues with NRCS to develop engineering plans for watershed dams.

* The Project Section is working with WVU Extension on Cranberry Creek and Mannington Channel so far this year on spraying plans. A section of Mannington Channel has been sprayed, results will be used to develop spraying plans statewide. We will report the results.

* Meetings are progressing with DNR to determine responsible parties on the dams that DNR has interest in.

Dam Rehab

* Dam rehabilitation work continues to progress. The Project Section is working on the permits for Upper Deckers Creek site #1.

EWP Update

* March and April Flooding – The Project Section continues work with FEMA on blockage removal sites and NRCS on bank stabilization sites.

* July Flooding – The Project Section EWP work in Braxton County is complete. This disaster was federally declared and work with FEMA on these sites has started.

SPRP Project for Cobun Creek in Monongahela District has gone out to bid.

Four Project Section staff attended the ASDSO Training on the Inspection and Assessment of Dams August.

The Project Section has been updated into North/South sections.

* Ed Martin is the manager for the North Area and is responsible for Northern Panhandle, Upper Ohio, West Fork, Monongahela, Tygart's Valley, Potomac Valley and Eastern Panhandle Conservation Districts. Sharon Sunderland is the Office Coordinator and can be can be reached at 304-285-3118.

* Judith Lyons is the manager for the South Area and is responsible for Western, Little Kanawha, Capitol, Guyan, Southern, Elk and Greenbrier Valley Districts. Kim Neal is the Office Coordinator and can be reached at 304-872-4302.

Each area manager will be contacting area directors to provide details of activities in their respective areas. As always, feel free to contact Gene or Penny for further information.