Delaware Direct Watershed Partnership April 26, 2011, 2:00 to 4:00 pm

Agenda

1-Introduction for Delaware Direct Watershed Partnership + partner announcements Paul Racette, Pennsylvania Environmental Council 2:00 to 2:20 pm

2-Report on the City of Philadelphia's Existing and Possible Tree Canopy 2011 Sarah Low, Philadelphia Parks and Recreation, Director of Spatial Analysis and Conservation Planning

2:20 to 2:50 pm

3-Finalization of Delaware Direct River Conservation Plan report.

Tiffany Ledesma Groll, CDM

2:50 to 3:40

4-Other business + Pier 11 tour (pending construction schedule) 3:40 to 4:30

Delaware Direct Partnership

- Primary Purpose: to guide IWMP development, share resources, information, ideas, activities, program goals, and accomplishments in order to coordinate planning and project implementation.
- Responsibility: Attend meetings to share updates and provide feed back on IWMP

To date:

- Developed Goals and Objectives
- Reviewed and prioritized green streets
- Ecological Restoration overview

Future steps:

- Examine other green city elements (8 total), I-95 stormwater management, storm flood relief, other issues
- Drive toward completion of IWMP and integration of stakeholder plans/projects.

IWMP Process

- Implementation framework of the Green City, Clean Waters Plan.
- Interface between the Green City, Clean Waters and the variety of park, greenway, and neighborhood initiatives underway along the Delaware River
- Data collection: existing and new data to document status of watershed
- Plan Development: goals, objectives, management options, and indicators
- Implementation Measures:
 - Dry weather aesthetics and water quality: floatables and outfall consolidation
 - Living resource restoration (e.g. wetlands)
 - Wet weather water quality (e.g. Eight Green City program elements)

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PEC updates

- Spring Garden: RFP this week for Master Plan, river to river trail corridor
- River Ambassadors (striped bass derby, educational events, geo-caching, kayaking trip, Tug Boat Jupiter tour, weekend of trash)
- Ecological Services (DuPont Clear into Future)
 - Recreational services
 - Flood/storm surge protection services
 - Water quality services
 - Carbon sequestration.