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Informational Meeting About New Moshannon Creek Watershed Association

**Philipsburg, PA— 9/18/2019 — The Moshannon Creek Watershed Association will be holding an informational meeting on Tuesday, October 8th at 6:30 pm, in the West Branch Room of the PA DEP Moshannon District Office at 186 Enterprise Drive in Philipsburg, PA. We will discuss what a watershed association is and cover some information about the Moshannon Creek watershed. We will also talk about the new organization, what we will be doing, and how you can join us or assist us in other ways.**

#  Moshannon Creek is a beautiful stream with often terrible water quality. Much of the main course of the stream and some of the tributaries of Moshannon Creek are contaminated by mine drainage from abandoned coal and clay mines. Moshannon Creek's headwaters, and many of the tributary streams in the Moshannon Creek watershed, have clean water and wild trout populations. Our mission can be described very simply as protecting the clean water streams and improving the streams with tainted water.

#  We are a new organization and we are looking for members and volunteers. We will be surveying the watershed to accurately assess the current health of the different streams. We will be identifying the areas where improvements are needed and the steps to take to make these improvements. We are planning to adopt several treatment systems that should be doing a better job of removing mine water contaminants than they currently are because of a lack of maintenance. We will be educating the public about the healthy stream segments and the steps to take to keep them healthy. We are looking for volunteers interested in helping with these tasks.

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