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Meeting Discussions

Project Meeting List (to Date)

6/12/08 Organizational Meeting/Conference Call
Steering Committee Members, A. Schwartz and C. Yagle

6/20/08 Coordination Conference Call
D. Breon, J. Shuey, A. Schwartz and C. Yagle

6/23/08-
6/24/08 Site Visit
Spring Creek Canyon

7/9/08 Steering Committee Kick-off Meeting
Benner Township Municipal Building
- *Project Schedule Overview*
- *Background Mapping*
- *Initial Field Work Observations*
- *Key Issues*
- *Web Site Update*

7/29/08 Technical Committee Meeting
Benner Township Municipal Building
- *Committee Roles/Responsibilities*
- *Project Schedule Overview*
- *Initial Background Mapping and Field Observations*
- *Carrying Capacity/Compatibility Analysis Methodology*

7/29/08 Public Advisory Committee Meeting
Central Pennsylvania Institute
- *Committee Roles/Responsibilities*
- *Project Schedule Overview*
- *Background Mapping and Analyses*
- *Initial Observations*

8/04/08 Western Pennsylvania Conservancy Project Coordination Meeting
Western Pennsylvania Conservancy Offices

8/15/08 Site Visit
Spring Creek Canyon and Uplands

8/22/08 Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting
Benner Township Municipal Building
- *Proposed Committee and Sub-Committee Structure*
  - *TAC has the ability and the expertise to assist in identifying and assessing resources.*
    - *TAC is broken into three sub-committees.*
      - *Water*
      - *Land*
      - *People/Places*
  - *Public Advisory Committee (PAC) is a tool to provide input from the general public.*

- *The TAC and the PAC feed information into the Steering Committee.*

- *Site Visit Highlights*
  - *12-13 individuals participated in the tour of the site*
    - *Orchard area*
    - *Benner Family Cemetery*
    - *Burned Barn*
    - *Active agriculture operation of State Facility*
    - *Canyon (via. Shiloh Road)*
  - *Experienced native wildlife of the site*
  - *Observed visitors hiking and fishing*
- *Initial Resource Analysis*
  - *Existing GIS database and data sources from various contributors was used to analyze and interpret the natural resources on the site.*
  - *The analysis methodology is based on integrating multiple layers of analysis to determine what areas of the site are suitable for the following topics or potential uses: preservation (maintaining the ecology of the ecosystem that is there today), passive recreation, active recreation, and agriculture.*
  - *To analyze the site, a computer program breaks down the 1800 acres into 10'x10' squares and analyzes each square based on a variety of natural resource characteristics. These squares were then scored based on their suitability to each topic or potential use.*
- *Sub-Committee Break-Out Session*
- *Master Plan Objectives Discussion*
- *Sub-Committee Assignments*

8/27/08 Public Advisory Committee (PAC) Meeting
Centre Pennsylvania Institute of Science and Technology (CPI)

- *Site Visit Highlights*
- *Project Progress Update: Initial Resource Analysis*
  - *In the process of gathering analysis studies on the various natural resources occurring on the site, it has come to the attention that there are still information sources that have not been used.*
    - *WPC*
    - *Geology*
- *Use/Activity Definitions*
  - *In defining the uses and activities to be included in the Master Plan for this site, it is a given that ecology be at the foundation of each topic.*
  - *Agriculture*
  - *Active vs. Passive Recreation*
  - *Resource Based Recreation (not "developed recreation)*
    - *Environmental Education*
- *Initial Master Plan Objectives*

9/17/08 Steering Committee Meeting
Benner Township Municipal Building
Steering Committee members, General Public, J. Shuey, A. Schwartz and C. Yagle

- *Refined Resource Analysis*
- *Initial Project Objectives*
- *Initial Land Zone Map*

9/26/08 Technical Advisory Committee Meeting
Benner Township Municipal Building

- *Refined Existing Conditions Analyses: Conservation Compatibility Analysis*
- *Initial Master Plan Objectives*
  - *The objectives build on suggestions and feedback from previous meetings with the various committees.*
  - *The eleven Master Plan Objectives try to address the range of items that the Master Plan presents from ecological perspective, cultural perspective, education perspective, and the relationship of various activities on the site.*
    - *What is the level of information existing and needed in the future to achieve the objectives?*
- *Initial Activity Zone Analysis*

9/30/08 Public Advisory Committee Meeting
Benner Township Municipal Building

- *Refined Master Plan Objectives and Activity Zone Analysis*
  - *The Master Plan Objectives continue to be refined as they are presented to the various committees and feedback and guidance are received.*
- *Regional Considerations*

10/13/08 PSU Coordination Conference Call
D. Sieminski, B. McPheron and C. Yagle

Week of 10/20/08 Coordination Conference Calls
M. Keefer and C. Yagle, D. Breon and C. Yagle

10/27/08 Coordination Conference Call
D. Breon, M. Keefer, A. Schwartz and C. Yagle

11/13/08 Steering Committee Meeting
Benner Township Municipal Building

- *Penn State University Vision/Principles Outline*
- *Initial Management Analysis*
- *Initial Stakeholder Capacity Assessments*

11/13/08 DCNR-TAC Coordination Meeting
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11/13/08 Public Advisory Committee Meeting
Central Pennsylvania Institute
- *Penn State University Vision/Principles Outline*
- *Initial Management Analysis*
- *Initial Stakeholder Capacity Assessments*

11/20/08 Technical Advisory Committee Meeting
Benner Township Municipal Building
- *Management Plan Analysis Status*

11/20/08 Public Meeting
Christ Community Church

12/18/08 Technical Advisory Committee Meeting
Benner Township Municipal Building

2/5/09 Steering Committee Meeting
Benner Township Municipal Building
- *Draft Master Plan Concepts*
- *Draft Management Structure Concept*

2/10/09 Technical Advisory Committee Meeting
Benner Township Municipal Building
- *Draft Master Plan Concepts*
- *Draft Management Structure Concept*

2/10/09 Public Advisory Committee Meeting
Central Pennsylvania Institute
- *Public Meeting Response Summary*
- *Draft Master Plan Concepts/Nature of Place*
- *Draft Management Concept*
- *Project Background Re-Cap*