

Core Goals for the OSM/VISTA Watershed Team

Goal 1: Watershed Group Capacity Building

Definitions

- A. Press releases and interviews, newsletters, brochures and fact sheets
- B. Attendance at relevant watershed and community meetings
- C. Watershed web page and updates
- D. Grant applications for basic watershed group support
- E. Community Watershed Projects: clean-ups, dump site removals, sewage assessment, recycling, watershed festivals, events, and fundraisers

Measurable Outcomes

- A. Number of informative papers/brochures created
- B. Number of people reached, new watershed group members, volunteers.
- C. Number of meetings attended, partnerships generated
- D. Number of grant applications submitted for watershed support
- E. Number of projects completed and project results: i.e.: bags/pounds of trash removed, number of septic systems pumped/installed, festivals held, etc.



Emily Samargo and Lindsey Abraham taking a flow measurement at an AMD discharge high in aluminum

Goal 2: Watershed Research and Project Development/Implementation

Definitions

- A. Inventory, monitoring, and assessment of AMD sites
- B. Stream monitoring (ex. state Save Our Streams or other programs)
- C. Compilation of watershed information and mapping projects
- D. Development of AMD treatment systems
- E. Stream bank restoration and stabilization projects
- F. AML reclamation and habitat restoration

Measurable Outcomes

- A. Number and frequency of sites monitored
- F. Number of project applications
- G. Number of trees planted, etc.
- C. Grants, partnerships, and volunteers

Goal 3: Watershed Education and Outreach

Definitions

- A. Outreach programs in schools
- B. Nature camps, field trips, tours, etc.
- C. Youth watershed groups and activities

Measurable Outcomes

- A. Number of shows, programs, and events
- B. Number of people served
- C. Grants, partnerships, and volunteers

Goal 4: Community Revitalization

Definitions

- A. Support of economic development, tourism, or other related projects
- B. Assistance in the development of watershed-based interpretive trails, parks, etc.
- C. Support for coal-related history and/or historic preservation projects
- D. Coordination between watershed group and other redevelopment interests

Measurable Outcomes

- A. Number of meetings held/attended, partnerships generated
- B. Brownfields or similar grant applications submitted
- C. Number of projects assisted in and/or completed
- D. Volunteers enlisted or number of watershed volunteers supporting specific project.

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