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NEWTOWN SOUTH 2
Abandoned Mine Reclamation
Contract No. OSM 54(3649)102.1

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FACT SHEET

Location: The site of the completed work is located approximately 4,000 feet east of Tremont Borough, just south of route 209, on the southern side of Red Mountain.

Official Start Date: June 10, 2011

Completion Date: May 5, 2012

Contractor: Berner Construction, Inc., Gap, Pennsylvania

Property Owners: Indian Head Coal Company, Pennsylvania Game Commission

Project Cost: \$680,756.12

Project Area: 50 acres

Purpose: To eliminate public health and safety hazards by dewatering hazardous water bodies, closing mine openings, backfilling and grading strip pits, and passively treating mine water using limestone beds and constructed wetlands.

Description: The site includes nine stripping pits, five of which have dangerous highwalls and four contain hazardous water bodies. The total length of dangerous highwall being reclaimed is 1,200 feet. The project consists of backfilling and grading the stripping pits with approximately 260,000 cubic yards of material obtained on site. Three mine water seeps will also be addressed. The seeps will be passively treated using limestone beds and constructed wetlands. Additionally, three vertical openings will be reclaimed as part of this project by backfilling two of them and installing a bat gate in the third.

Funding: The project is being funded by The Growing Greener 2 Program and the Abandoned Mine Reclamation Trust Fund, which is subsidized by the coal industry via taxes paid on each ton of coal mined.

Project Management: Bureau of Abandoned Mine Reclamation
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Pre Construction Photo of mine discharge

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Impoundment 'A' before being dewatered

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Grading Area 'D' during construction

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Oblique showing completed job first fall.

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Completed job during first growing season