

Upper West Branch Agricultural Best Management Practices  
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Western Pennsylvania Conservancy

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION** Western Pennsylvania Conservancy (WPC) proposed to implement agricultural best management practices (BMPs) in the Upper West Branch Susquehanna River watershed in Clearfield and Cambria Counties. We partnered with the Clearfield County Conservation District for assistance with design, permitting and project oversight and received support from Cambria County Conservation District and the Ebensburg US Department of Agriculture Natural Resource Conservation Service.

**PROJECT TIMEFRAME:** January 30, 2019 through December 31, 2022.

**PROJECT GOALS** Through this project WPC and our partners completed two nutrient management plans for operators, installed three acres of riparian buffer restoration, installed 1,300 linear feet of stream exclusion fence, installed a 435 square foot stabilized stream access and completed construction of a roofed heavy use area.

**PROJECT RESULTS**

Streambank Fencing



Roofed Heavy Use Area



**PROJECT COSTS** \$160,784 Growing Greener Grant and \$164,056 matching funds

**LESSONS LEARNED** Partnerships and persistence were the key to success. Willing landowners seeking implementation of agricultural BMPs can be challenging to find in this area, but persistence leads to successful projects.

**PARTNERS** Cambria County Conservation District, Clearfield County Conservation District, USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service

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