What's Happening in East Donegal Township



East Donegal Township, in partnership with Marietta Borough, is proposing a streambank restoration along 1,300 linear feet and an enhanced riparian buffer along 2,150 linear feet of an Unnamed Tributary to the Susquehanna River known as Evans Run. The project reach is located along Route 441 - River Road across from the new Dollar General Store. The project partners are property owners Glaxo Smith Kline and Donegal Mutual Insurance Company.

This restoration is needed in order to restore and stabilize the existing eroded and unstable banks on the existing stream reach. This will be achieved through restorative bank grading along selective portions of the channel. Native vegetation and plantings will be established along the entire reach in order to help prevent future bank erosion. An additional benefit of the restoration will be the sediment load reductions achieved for Marietta Borough and East Donegal Township as part of their MS4 Pollutant Reduction Plans.

The project was completed in the late Spring/early Summer of 2023 and can be seen from PA Rt 441, across the street from the new Dollar General store. You can see the riparian buffer as well as the change in the streambanks all the way from the roadway. This project is intended to improve water quality along the reach and in to Marietta Borough, as well as handle storm events in a way that prolongs the life of the streambank. Below are some images of the project after it was completed.







DEP Growing Greener Grant Final Report Evans Run Riparian Buffer & Streambank Restoration

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