**Conewago Creek Initiative
Non-Ag Team Meeting**

**Februrary 8, 2011**

**Mt. Joy Township Building**

 **Minutes**

**Attending:**

Matt Royer, PSU
Casey Kraus, Mt. Joy Twp.
Kris Toup, Lebanon Co. Planning Dept.
Ginger Prior, Penn State Coop Ext Lebanon
Sarah Whitney, PA Sea Grant
Sara Greise, PA Sea Grant
Matt Kofroth, Lancaster CCD
Sallie Gregory, Lancaster CCD
Jennifer Fetter, Penn State Coop Ext
Carl Martin, Lancaster Co Conservancy
Mike Hubler, DCCD
Rugh Henderson, S Lond Twp
Dick Brown, S Lond Twp EAC

Group reviewed outcomes of last meeting and discussed potential program offerings that could move forward quickly to create some momentum. Idea of landowner conservation planning workshop for fall was discussed. Ginger Prior, Carl Martin interested in planning. Tie into Woods in Your Backyard; include Landscape Construction in Horticulture Department.

Aberdeen Mills interested in hosting Earth Day event and including rain garden workshop. Could it be expanded to a whole property stewardship concept? Dick Brown has revised/refined meadow talk and is providing small packets for 10x10 area. Connie Smultzer of York Co. Coop. Ext. does nice rain garden workshop.

Professional training for landscapers—could Bryce Davis be interested in hosting? Need to see what budget might be available for this, and for entire nonag program for that matter.

What are townships doing for outreach? Work with those people who have done something to spread the word. Consider Natural Areas Tour. Perhaps this could kick off landowner conservation planning workshop in the fall.

Consider getting on the Commercial Horticulturalist Turf and Ornamental Field Day in summer (put together a watershed/BMP/clean water track).

Develop a non-ag homeowner BMP calendar (like Lancaster CCD Warwick Twp ag BMP calendar).

Who are the audiences for our nonag work? Where to homeowners get their information? Who do they trust as messengers? Landowner survey results should be helpful.

**Next Meeting**

Matt will send doodle out to everyone to schedule next meeting in April. Will continue working through concept plan.