**Conewago Creek Initiative
Environmental Markets Team Meeting**

**August 1, 2012**

**Via Conference Call
Minutes**

**Attending:**

Matt Royer (Penn State)

Mike Hubler (DCCD)

Jessica Moldofsky (Penn State)
Jayne Ulrich (Penn State)

**Ecosystems Services Video**

Jess and Jayne reported on progress in developing the ecosystems services video several landowners in and near the Conewago have been interviewed, highlighting a variety of practices: riparian buffers, stream and wetlands restoration, rotational grazing, and native meadows. Additional footage will be shot on crop management. Video will be finished by the end of their internships.

**On Farm Charrettes**

Matt reported on the on farm charrette/workshop. We will look to target mid-November for this workshop. Looking to visit two farms to assess, evaluate, and talk about ecosystems services those farms provide and environmental market and other payment for ecosystem services available. Matt will touch base with Kristen Saacke Blunk to get a list of Penn State experts who would be involved.

**Nutrient Trading Assessments**

Matt has discussed with Red Barn and they are interested in doing nutrient trading assessments. We will shoot for 7-8 assessments. These would be farms in addition to the farms highlighted in the November workshop. Assessment report would be of no cost to the farmer.

Next steps: Conewago interns will set up a conference call with Mike Hubler, staff from other two districts, and NRCS field staff to brainstorm on farms that may be interested in hosting the workshop or having assessments.