

In Case You Missed It
March 2021



A Riverfront Community



Our work as a partner in the **Hazelwood Riverfront** planning process is one example of how we help connect communities to the outdoors and trails. In advance of the April 7th community meeting where residents had their first look at the project, we produced a short video recapping the past year and looking ahead to the next steps through the words of the community leaders and planners who are making it happen.

[Learn More](#)

Public Support for Spring Garden Street Updates

When asked by the City of Philadelphia what they were looking for in the Spring Garden Street Greenway, the response from the city's public was clear: they wanted a corridor that was safe, accessible, and attractive.

These findings are essential to the progress of the **Spring Garden Street Improvement Project**, which will create new walking and biking access along Spring Garden Street.

PEC has been involved in planning improvements for Spring Garden Street for nearly a decade. Learn more [here](#).



Water Program News

The Annual DRWI Winter Gathering: Virtual and Inspiring



Eight members of PEC's staff from across the state attended the 7th Annual Virtual Winter Gathering of the **Delaware River Watershed Initiative (DRWI)** during the last week of February.

This annual event brings together representatives from the initiative's 50+ partner organizations. This year, the theme for the gathering was "Adapting in Times of Change". Like so many events this past year, the Winter Gathering was converted to a virtual event. Although we

miss the in-person gatherings of previous years, the 2021 version was successful in providing opportunities for learning, dialogue, and of course, inspiration. Read more [here](#).

Keeping Our Drinking Water Pure

Storm drains are pathways to our creeks and rivers. They should be kept clear of any trash or debris, because water entering storm drains will eventually travel to the sources of our drinking water.

Learn how to prevent discharges of pollutants into your local waterways [here](#).



Introducing PEC's new Events and Administration Coordinator

We're excited to have Samantha Carr join us as PEC's Events and Administration Coordinator!

Samantha will plan and implement PEC events while providing administrative support and office coordination for the



Philadelphia office. She was born in Philly, and prior to working at PEC was the Lectures and Events Manager at The College of Physicians of Philadelphia, home of the Mütter Museum.

Learn more about Samantha [here](#).

Pennsylvania Legacies

Filmmakers Jesse Sampley and Matt Deneen chat with POWR's Tali MacArthur about the Wild & Scenic Film Festival On Tour stop in Pennsylvania, which happened on March 18.

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The Pennsylvania Legacies podcast features conversations with community leaders, experts, thinkers, and citizens on the most important environmental and conservation issues facing Pennsylvania.

New episodes are posted every other Friday at pecpa.org/audio and are available on most podcast platforms.



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PEC in the News



InTouch with Freddi Hammer – POWR Watersheds and Rivers
March 14, 2021 / [Backyard Broadcasting](#)

POWR's Tali MacArthur joins Freddi Hammer on "In Touch" to discuss the "Wild and Scenic Film Festival on Tour" ~Virtually; an event meant to inspire all of us to keep our rivers and streams clean and beautiful.

Listen [here](#).

City of Chester Unveils Eyre Park Levee Walk Trail Project

March 29, 2021 / [Chester Matters Blog](#)

The City of Chester hosted a ribbon-cutting ceremony to celebrate the completion of Eyre

Park Levee Walk.

Read [here](#).



Have a say in the revitalization of the Hazelwood riverfront

March 30, 2021 / [Next Pittsburgh](#)

Community members had a chance to help shape the future of the Hazelwood riverfront at the virtual meeting on Wednesday, April 7th.

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