

Maurice K. Goddard State Park

September 26, 2024

Re: RFHP Grant Funding Application

Dear Friends of Goddard,

The Department of Conservation and Natural Resources as well as Mike Swartz and the PA Fish and Boat Commission fully support the fish habitat improvement plans at Lake Wilhelm, Mercer County. Anglers are excited to hear that the lake habitat work is continuing each year, and various groups have shown an interest in volunteering their time to build porcupine cribs, short plank structures, etc. that will create micro food webs, offer shelter, and ultimately improve the fishery. The past projects that you've assisted with, including the aforementioned structures in addition to shoreline stabilization, continue to show their value and we're excited to keep the partnership going as it supports the mission of both agencies.

Sincerely,

Mark Scarpitti
Park Manager

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Department of Conservation and Natural Resources