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From the PA Organization of Watersheds and Rivers

SAVE THE DATE February 21 & 22, 2003

Pennsylvania's Third Statewide Summit for Volunteer Watershed Monitors Excellence in Monitoring: The Network in Action Penn Stater Conference Center, State College, PA

Sponsored by: Keystone Watershed Monitoring Network and PA's Growing Greener Program

You are invited to join volunteer watershed monitors, leaders in watershed monitoring, and watershed service providers at the Third Statewide Summit for Volunteer Watershed Monitors, February 21 & 22, 2003, at the Penn Stater Conference Center in State College, PA.

The focus of the 2003 Summit will be on enhancing volunteer monitoring programs within the state, providing success stories in monitoring, looking beyond water quality monitoring, and reflecting on the achievements of the Keystone Watershed Monitoring Network over the past two years. The Summit will also give monitors throughout the state the opportunity to network with other monitors and service providers within their Network river region.

The Summit's two-day agenda will allow participants to choose workshops and presentations from four tracks. Track one, Getting Started, is designed for the volunteer monitors just getting started in their monitoring program and/or their watershed group. The second track, Moving Ahead, will offer sessions complimentary to the Getting Started track but will be for the more advanced volunteer monitor or group that is more established in their organizational needs and monitoring program. Improving Your Technical Skills, track three, will be a technical track. As the title indicates, this track is designed to help improve your technical skills through some hands-on sessions. The fourth track, Diverse Monitoring, will offer something new for volunteer monitors throughout the state; this track has been designed to encourage volunteer monitors to look at other indicators in the watershed. The agenda for the Summit can be found at www.pawatersheds.org/conferences.asp.

For registration materials contact POWR at P.O. Box 765, Harrisburg, PA 17108-0765 phone: 717-234-7910; email: monitoring@pawatersheds.org

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