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Township Receives 2013 Municipal Environmental Award From Perkiomen Watershed Conservancy

LOWER PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP (October 24, 2013) – Lower Providence Township was honored with a 2013 Municipal Environmental Award by the Perkiomen Watershed Conservancy. The Township is fortunate to enjoy the benefits and beauty of the Perkiomen Watershed and has made responsible stewardship of this valuable resource a top priority. In cooperation with the Perkiomen Watershed Conservancy, the Township has completed several projects within its parklands to protect the Perkiomen Creek and improve its buffers.

Hoy Park Improvements

Hoy Park, an open space treasure at the confluence of the Perkiomen and Skippack Creeks, was plagued by invasive species and the lack of a riparian buffer threatened the water quality of surrounding systems.



Supervisor Don Thomas (l) and Parks & Recreation Director Karl Lukens

Working with the PWC, the Township removed the invasive plants and added native trees and shrubs, improving water quality and reducing erosion.

With its ADA-compliant fishing pier, boat ramp and walking path, the park offers visitors



a unique place to view the flourishing wildlife. Maintenance of the buffer will reap benefits for years to come.



Naturalized Basins

The Township recently completed the conversion of some 20 traditional storm water basins to naturalized basins. The conversion of the low-flow channel basins and introduction of native shrubs, meadows and trees increased the environmental, aesthetic and economic benefits of the basins.