

# Corridor Market Towns Business Inventory



	<b>Original Number of Businesses (2002)</b>	<b>Added</b>	<b>Lost</b>	<b>Total Existing as of January 2006</b>	<b>Net Gain/ Loss</b>
<b>Jim Thorpe</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>+8</b>
<b>Lansford</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>+3</b>
<b>Lehighton</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>+12</b>
<b>Palmerton</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>+8</b>
<b>Slatington</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>-2</b>
<b>White Haven</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>+1</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>489</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>519</b>	<b>+30</b>



# February 2008 The Anthracite Heritage Alliance was launched!



# **Key Partners – Federal, State, NHA**

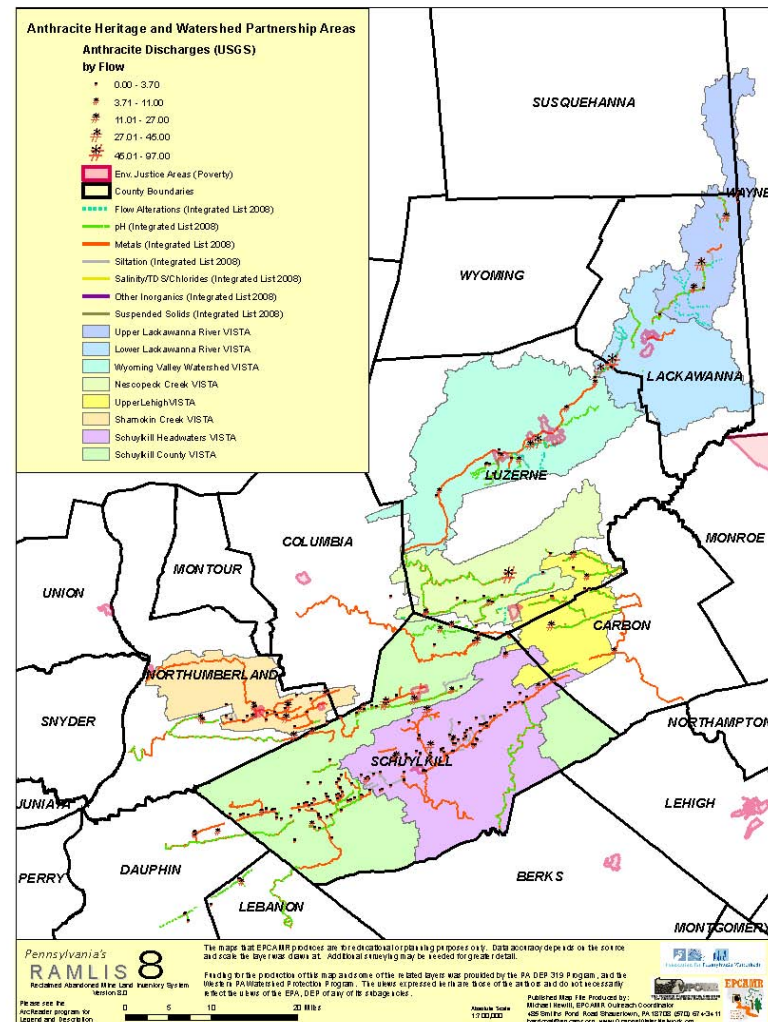
- **Americorps VISTA**
- **U.S. Department of the Interior**
  - **Office of Surface Mining**
- **Appalachian Coal Country Watershed Team**
- **PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources**
  - **Nescopeck Environmental Center**
- **PA Department of Environmental Protection**
  - **Bureau of Abandoned Mine Reclamation**
- **NHAs – D&L, Lackawanna, and Schuylkill**

# **5 Primary Goals of the ACCWT OSM/VISTA Program**

- 1. Capacity building of local watershed organizations**
- 2. Water quality monitoring and watershed research**
- 3. Enhancing community awareness through education and outreach**
- 4. Promoting community revitalization through heritage development and celebrations**
- 5. Professional development for the volunteers in environmental and community development**

# Participating Anthracite watersheds

- **D&L – coordinator & administrative lead**
- **Watershed leads**
  - 2 Lackawanna
  - 2 Luzerne
  - 1 Carbon
  - 2 Schuylkill
  - 1 Northumberland
- **Agreement executed**
- **Work plans created**
- **ACCWT/VISTA volunteers recruited**





## **Newport Township Luzerne County**

## **Painesville Borehole Luzerne County**



**EPCAMR VISTA Volunteer  
Carly Trumann collecting iron  
oxide from Phase II AMD  
Treatment Wetlands  
Nanticoke Creek Watershed**



**Ice Cave Clean-up**

**Luzerne County**

# Monument Unveiling



## Jeanesville Mine Disaster 1891



## Jeanesville, PA







## **Eckley Miner's Village PA Historic Museum Comm.**

**ACCWT/VISTA volunteers  
preservation  
interpretation  
education**



# Nescopeck State Park & Education Center



**PA Department of Conservation  
and Natural Resources**

# The Gap: Lehigh River - Blue Mountain D&L Trail & Appalachian NST



# Environmental contamination





**Prepared test plots**

**Native warm season grass**

**Both hand & aerial seeded**





**Regeneration**



**Lehigh Gap Education Center**







# Tales *of the* Towpath

Adventures Along the  
Lehigh & Delaware  
Canals

A Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor Publication | Written By Dennis Scholl | Illustrated By Dennis Gerhart

# Tales of the Towpath



- **Research, writing. production**
- **Committee of educators served as editors**
- **Curriculum guide, teacher training - Act 48 approval**
- **Book design, art work & publication**
- **Traveling trunks with 19<sup>th</sup> century content**
- **60 schools, 200 class rooms, and 5000 students**





# The road ahead for D&L?



- Complete spine
- Build the trail alliance
- Educational programs
- Service to local partners
- Strengthen anchoring partners role
  - NPS
  - PA DCNR
- Sustainable funding
  - Public & Private