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The river towns of the Susquehanna Greenway are treasured for their resources that connect communities to each other and to the river. This edition of River Town E-Connections has news, highlights, events, and tools for maintaining and celebrating these valued connections between our beautiful towns and the mighty Susquehanna River. Will your river town be the next big news in the Greenway?

We'll see you out on the Greenway, Your Susquehanna Greenway Team

I-Spy a River Town

River Town Spotlight

Discover Selinsgrove



River Valley Ride

Come Bike with Us on September 28th



In celebration of PA Trails Month, join us on September 28th for the 2019 River Valley Ride. This 10.5-mile bike ride will showcase the connected paths of the greater Williamsport Area, beginning in Montourville's Indian Park and ending at the South Williamsport Community Park. At the end of the ride you'll have opportunities to enjoy food trucks and information booths to learn more about the biking opportunities in and around Lycoming County. Click below for more information.

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River Town Tools Nature-Based Place Making



With another successful sojourn under our belts, we couldn't be happier to recognize Selinsgrove, whose beautiful Isle of Que served as our launch point for the 12-mile paddle. Watch below as we explore the history and valuable assets of this Susquehanna Greenway River Town. Historic photos credited to the Charles L. Fasold Photo Collection.



Want tips on how to optimize your community's natural and outdoor resources? The Pennsylvania Downtown Center has the resources you need to get started. Their Nature-Based Placemaking Diagram and Handbook are especially helpful in that first step of recognizing and embracing natural assets as generators for economic activity. Click below to learn more!

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River Town News

Middle Susquehanna Bike-Ped Plan Completed

Final plan is available to the public on SEDA-COG's website

SGP has been working with the SEDA-COG and Lycoming County Municipal Planning Organizations (MPOs) for the last two years to develop the Middle Susquehanna Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee and the Middle Susquehanna Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan, which has now been completed and released to the public. People want to live and work in places that are walkable and bikeable, and this plan pushes the Greenway one step closer to our vision for a continuous 500-mile corridor of land and water



trails along the Susquehanna River. This plan will make trail projects in the 7-county Middle Susquehanna region eligible for PennDOT funding. This extra support and valuable partnership will be an asset to improving community health and revitalization through bike and pedestrian projects. Click below to see the final plan.

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Lock Haven Seeks Grant for Rail Trail

Progress towards the projected 11.5-mile Bald Eagle Valley Trail continues

This past spring, we celebrated the grand opening of Phase II of the Bald Eagle Valley Trail of Clinton County, representing a 3.4 mile segment of the trail between Castanea and McElhattan. With a projected 11.5-mile total, running from Castanea to the Jersey Shore Trailhead of the Pine Creek Valley Rail Trail, there is still plenty of work to be done. The county is now making moves to secure a multi-modal transportation grant from the Commonwealth Financing Authority of the

Early Closing for Lake Augusta

Docks will be removed on August 29th



Due to emergency repairs to the Adam T. Bower Memorial Dam, DCNR will be lowering the dam earlier than scheduled, shortening the summer boating season by nearly a month at the popular Lake Augusta. Click below for details.

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Upcoming Events

August, September, October

August 15-17, 2019 Sunbury River Festival

August 17, 2019 Columbia's Rivertown Hops Beer Fest

August 24, 2019 Bloomsburg: Fishtival

September 6, 2019 <u>Harrisburg: Jazz and Wine Festival</u> Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED). Learn more about their progress by clicking below.

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Lewisburg River Cleanup

And Some River Cleanup Resources for your River Town!

As one of our most active Susquehanna Greenway River Towns, Lewisburg is holding yet another event to strengthen its connection to the river by keeping its shores pristine and clean! Join this river town on Saturday, September 7, 2019 for the Fall-In River Cleanup, where volunteers will be hard at work on and around the river to clear litter and debris from the water. The event is scheduled from 10 AM - 3 PM and may be subject to change depending upon the weather and



water conditions. Morning snack and lunch provided! Click below for more information. Looking to stage a river cleanup for your own river town? Here are some <u>great resources</u> from *American Rivers*.

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September 7, 2019 Lewisburg: Fall-In River Clean Up

September 8, 2019
Harrisburg: Half Marathon

September 21, 2019 Lake Augusta Wine and Brew Fest

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PA Heritage Festival

September 20-28, 2019 164th Annual Bloomsburg Fair

September 21, 2019 Boulder Beast Lock Haven

October 5, 2019 Sheshequin Path Half

October 11-13, 2019 Renovo: Flaming Foliage Festival

October 19, 2019
Williamsport: Annual Mummer's Parade

This list of events is not exhaustive.

Visit our <u>online events calendar</u> for more information.

About the SGP



The mission of the Susquehanna Greenway Partnership is to envision, create and sustain a greenway along the Susquehanna River to enhance river towns and the lives of current and future generations.



Partner News

WalkWorks Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA)

Applications due by August 30th; For the application, click on the Funding Active Transportation Plans and Policies image, located on the right hand side of the homepage.

Multifunctional Riparian Buffer Grant (DCNR)

Applicants must pre-qualify by August 31st, Pre-qualified applications due by Sept.

Northcentral Pennsylvania Conservancy's Clinton County Dinner (NCPC) Lock Haven, PA, September 10th, 6 PM - 8:30 PM

Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs Training (PSAB)

Municipal Budgeting & Finance Class available at various locations between Sept.

10th and Sept. 26th, 9 AM - 3:30 PM



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