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Buckingham Township, Pennsylvania, 9/ 20 – Buckingham Township Environmental Council (EAC) and Partnership for Land Use Management (PLUM) are pleased to announce the receipt of a \$6,000 grant from the Conservation Foundation. With generous support from the William Penn Foundation, The Conservation Foundation has provided the first ever watershed action grants to worthy conservation organizations in Pennsylvania. Totaling over \$48,000 these Watershed Action Grants will help small organizations implement conservation plans to protect watersheds, improve water quality and promote watershed stewardship.

PLUM secured the \$6,000 grant to be used in partnership with the Buckingham's EAC for their 'Rain Only - Drains to Creek' project. "We are pleased to partner with the Buckingham Township EAC on this critical project. Our experience working with Buckingham has always been positive as both organizations work hard to protect and preserve our natural resources," said David Mortimer, PLUM representative. He added the partnership between The William Penn Foundation and The Conservation Fund is inspiring and the much needed funds will help protect some of the most outstanding watersheds in Pennsylvania.

Joseph Jacobsen, Chairman of the Buckingham's EAC explained that 1000 "RAIN ONLY – Drains to Creek" decals were awarded to them by the Pennsylvania Resource Conservation and Development Council. Placement will begin in the Paunacussing Watershed and then throughout the entire township. "The Buckingham Township EAC will be holding a public education meeting about the project on October 7," said Jacobsen. He added, "This is great opportunity for residents to be a part of our township's natural resource conversation efforts." If a local non-profit group is interested in participating in this storm drain labeling project, please contact Buckingham Township for more information about the upcoming meeting.