

## Conservation and Water Pollution Prevention Workshop (webinar) completed in Montgomery County

In September 2020, Montgomery County Conservation District (MCCD), Penn State Extension (Master Watershed Steward and Master Gardener programs) and Ambler Borough Environmental Advisory Council partnered to offer a free, online *“Conservation and Water Pollution Prevention Workshop for Homeowners.”* Financial and other support for the workshop was provided by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection’s 2020 Environmental Education Grants Program.

Session One (of the workshop) saw 121 participants and featured presentations by Brian Vadino (Watershed Specialist, MCCD) and Mary-Margaret Monser (Chair, Ambler Borough EAC). Session Two welcomed 106 participants and included presentations by Dawn Stelts (Master Gardener Coordinator and Master Watershed Steward Coordinator, Penn State Extension, Montgomery County) and Eve Puhalla (PSU Master Watershed Steward).

Designed for a “novice” audience, the workshop covered topics including but not limited to stormwater management, using rain gardens and rain barrels, stream corridor management practices, erosion and sediment control, bio-retention, lawn-to-meadow, native landscaping, proper tree planting techniques and water conservation. The first sixty-six individuals to register, participate and complete a Program Evaluation Survey were selected to receive a free containerized native tree, along with the necessary fencing and stake materials.

Click onto the below links to view Session 1, Session 2, Program References, and a Program Evaluation Survey.

Session 1 (September 23, 2020):

[https://psu.mediaspace.kaltura.com/media/Conservation+and+Water+Pollution+PreventionA+Virtual+Workshop+for+Homeowners/1\\_3bhgg1be](https://psu.mediaspace.kaltura.com/media/Conservation+and+Water+Pollution+PreventionA+Virtual+Workshop+for+Homeowners/1_3bhgg1be)

Session 2 (September 30, 2020):

[https://psu.mediaspace.kaltura.com/media/Conservation+and+Water+Pollution+PreventionA+Virtual+Workshop+for+Homeowners/1\\_5vdma714](https://psu.mediaspace.kaltura.com/media/Conservation+and+Water+Pollution+PreventionA+Virtual+Workshop+for+Homeowners/1_5vdma714)

Program References:

<https://documentcloud.adobe.com/link/track?uri=urn:aaid:scds:US:406b534d-8e79-4d26-8a70-f95ecd084229>

Program Evaluation Survey: [https://pennstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_bPLIEif7rkH5yBL](https://pennstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_bPLIEif7rkH5yBL)



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