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PENNSYLVANIA AMERICAN WATER AWARDS 2018 ENVIRONMENTAL GRANT TO JOHN JAMES AUDUBON CENTER AT MILL GROVE

\$9,000 grant to support native planting project to protect watershed and wildlife

NORRISTOWN, Pa. (June 11, 2018) – Pennsylvania American Water announced today that six watershed-related projects across the commonwealth will receive financial support through the company’s 2018 Environmental Grant Program including a native plants project for watershed protection developed by the National Audubon Society, John James Audubon Center at Mill Grove. Recipients will receive a share of grant funds totaling nearly \$40,000 for their community-based projects that improve, restore or protect watersheds.

A panel of judges selected the grant recipients from nearly 30 applications, which were evaluated on such criteria as environmental need, innovation, community engagement and sustainability.

Pennsylvania American Water today presented a \$9,000 grant to National Audubon Society, John James Audubon Center at Mill Grove for its project to add 1,000 native plants along Stony Creek and Schuylkill River to reduce stormwater runoff. The organization is partnering with the Norristown Area School District where students will grow plants in a greenhouse and create demonstration gardens using native plants.

“Again this year, we received many outstanding applications for projects that focused on protecting watersheds and sustaining our environment,” said President Jeffrey L. McIntyre of Pennsylvania American Water. “Partnerships are the key to achieving goals, and we’re proud to partner with the John James Audubon Center and Norristown Area Schools to help make a difference for the environment for generations to come.”

In addition to the National Audubon Society project, Pennsylvania American Water awarded its 2018 Environmental Grants to Allegheny Land Trust (Allegheny County); Berks County Conservation District; Carnegie Shade Tree Commission (Allegheny County); Lackawanna River Conservation Association (Lackawanna County); and Warren County Conservation District.

Pennsylvania American Water is a subsidiary of American Water, which initiated the Environmental Grant Program in 2005 in Pennsylvania to support projects that protect or restore drinking water sources and surrounding watersheds. Since then, American Water has expanded the annual program to many of its state subsidiaries across the nation. To date, Pennsylvania American Water has funded more than 90 projects at a cost of more than \$450,000.

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