

Heart of the Highlands Trail System

Stakeholder News



Heart of the Highlands Project Moves Forward

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Logo Contest
deadline
November 9

Annual
Stakeholders
Meeting
November 16,
7:00 p.m. at
Blackwater Falls
State Park

In October 2009, twenty-two stakeholders met at the Canaan Valley National Wildlife Refuge conference room. The purpose of the meeting was: *To determine the organizational structure to move forward with the Heart of the Highlands Trail System.*

Since that meeting and at the direction of those stakeholders present, a highly invested group of Heart of the Highlands Trail System members have been meeting monthly toward that goal. Accomplishments to date, that we are proud to share, include:

Organizational Structure

- ◆ Board of Directors and Advisory Council established
 - ◆ Bylaws written and accepted
 - ◆ 23 mile Core Loop Trail identified
- ◆ Trail System goals and objectives determined
 - ◆ General trail construction guidelines drafted
 - ◆ Project Administrator Scope of Work drafted
 - ◆ Logo Contest designed and implemented
- ◆ Attended Allegheny Trail Partners Meeting - February, Garrett County, MD
- ◆ Represented Heart of the Highlands Trail System in March at WV Trails Day at the Legislature in Charleston

Grants & Funding

- ◆ Fiscal agent and \$500,000 cooperative agreement secured for the Heart of the Highlands Trail System project
- ◆ Project, by the USFWS, to replace the Swinging Bridge is out for bid
- ◆ 2009 RTP Notice to Proceed received by Canaan Valley Institute for Splash Dam South Trail, an HoH trail segment
- ◆ 2009 TE Award received by Canaan Valley National Wildlife Refuge for Swinging Bridge to Cortland Road trail segment of HoH
- ◆ 2010 RTP Award received by Tucker County Trails for trail work including an HoH segment of the Allegheny Trail
 - ◆ 2010 TE Application submitted by CVNWR for Swinging Bridge replacement
- ◆ USFS Title II Project application submitted for work on HoH segments of Monongahela National Forest trails.

Annual Stakeholders Meeting

Please join us on November 16 at 7:00 p.m. at the Blackwater Falls State Park Lodge to learn more information about these accomplishments and celebrate the efforts of the Heart of Highlands Trail System Board of Directors. Light refreshments will be served.

Board of Directors Advisory Council

- Tom Carr, County Commission Representative
- Roger Lilly, Tucker County Trails Representative
- Mary Ann Honcharik, Community Representative
- Jonathan Schafler/Jackie Burns, Canaan Valley National Wildlife Refuge
- Rob Gilligan/Don McFarlan, Blackwater Falls & Canaan Valley State Parks
- Julie Fosbender/Jason Reed, Monongahela National Forest
- Ken Dzaack, Canaan Valley Institute
- Gordon Blackley, Highlands Trail Foundation President
- Andy Blackwood, National Youth Science Foundation Representative
- Currently vacant, Friends of the 500th Representative
- Julie Dzaack, Project Administrator



HoH LOGO

Coming soon

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**Connecting trails.
Connecting people.**

Mission

The Heart of the Highlands Trails System will connect the non-motorized trail systems of five land management agencies in Tucker County, West Virginia (CVNWR, CVI, CVSP, BWFSP, MNF) into a comprehensive, landscape oriented, environmentally sustainable, multi-use trail system that is accessible to the public. Ultimately, the Heart of the Highlands will provide access to and from significant regional and national trail systems.

WE'LL BE ON THE WEB!
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Logo Contest

- The contest is open to all residents of Tucker County. More than one entry per person is permitted.
- The logo should represent the Heart of the Highlands Trail System mission and its natural environment.
- All artwork must be original. The winning entry becomes the property of Heart of the Highlands Board of Directors. Artwork will not be returned.
- The logo must be black and white with no shading or half tones – computer generated or pen and ink designs are acceptable.
- The logo must include text or initials representing the Heart of the Highlands Trail System. Lettering does not need to be perfect.
- Each entry must be submitted on an 8.5" x 11" piece of white paper with the overall logo size no less than 3" x 5" and no greater than 7.5" x 10".
- Include your name, age if under 18, address, phone and email on the back of each entry.
- The logo will be used for diverse purposes in both printed and electronic formats. It must be clear when reduced to a size of 2" x 2".
- Logos may be abstract or realistic and must be eye-catching and convey the theme of the Heart of the Highlands Trail System project clearly and quickly.
- Heart of the Highlands reserves the right to work with a professional graphic artist to refine the selected design.
- Entries must be received by 5:00 p.m. on November 9, 2010 via email or USPS mail (HoH Logo Contest, c/o PO Box 422, Davis WV, 26260).
- Finalists will be chosen by the Heart of the Highlands Board of Directors and displayed to stakeholders at the annual meeting on November 16. All stakeholders will be invited to cast their vote for the winning logo. We reserve the right to select more than one winner or to reject all entries.
- Prizes will be awarded to the top three entries.