



**Minutes**  
**Upper Cumberland River Basin Team**  
**April 22, 2008 / 10 A.M.**  
**London Regional State Office Building**

**Attendees:**

**Pam Martin, USFS**

**John Omer, USFS**

**Joan Garrison, Rockcastle County Conservation District**

**Joyce Kiogora, CVADD**

**Rob Miller, Basin Coordinator**

**Announcements**

- DOW has changed the application timeline for 319h grants in an effort to minimize the lag time between application deadlines and MOA execution. The deadline for initial interest forms for FY 2009 grant cycle is November 1, 2008 and January 30, 2009 for the applications.
- Joyce indicated that since the KY state budget was not yet complete and she was unsure which water and sewer projects got funded. She will bring an update to the next meeting.

**Project Progress**

Cromer Ridge – will focus on removing approximately 400 tires during 2008. Rob will check into the possibility of having the tires disposed of thru the DEP tire amnesty program.

Corbin WIP – Third Rock Consultants has started the implementation phase of this project and will focus most of the funds in the Little Laurel River watershed. A possible wetland restoration site at the confluence of Whitley Branch and the Little Laurel River has been targeted and an application submitted to purchase

the approximately 100 acres thru the KY Heritage Land Fund. On April 14<sup>th</sup> the KHLF board agreed to pay for an appraisal of the land. If the landowner is willing to agree to the appraised value, then it is likely the property will be purchased. The project was featured in the local paper on 4/25/08.

Third Rock has also agreed to pay for the design and construction of rain gardens in the Little Laurel River watershed. They ask that the landowner contribute the cost of the plants. A rain garden workshop was held on 4/27/08 as part of an annual garden show in London.

## **2008 Integrated Report**

Rob highlighted some interesting assessments included in the 2008 Integrated Report that is currently in the public comment period.

- Bark Camp Creek – Coldwater Aquatic Habitat (CAH) designated stream with a watershed that is primarily in the Daniel Boone National Forest. The stream is listed for partially supporting aquatic life due to sedimentation. There was discussion about taking a look at the data assessment location(s). The assessment data will be discussed at the next Basin Team meeting to see if there is a need to focus funding in this watershed.
- Roundstone Creek – continues to show increasing problems. It may take several years for the BMP's installed in the watershed to show any positive impact.
- A large number of new Upper Cumberland headwater streams are listed for impacts by historic mining. Rob will ask the KY Division of Abandoned Mine Lands to come to the next Basin Team meeting to discuss how they will be targeting streams in the Upper Cumberland.

## **Next Meeting**

To be announced.