

RE: Project Update 10/03/03

P2B Project Supporters:

The SAC has received a commitment letter for the \$35,000 that the USDA RD had originally procured for the project, but then was taken away. Through the efforts of SAC, the money will be coming back to the project and we have received written documentation of this announcement. GOOD NEWS!

The matching funds for this \$35,000 has not yet been allocated from the PA DCNR Heritage Parks Program. We are hoping that this information will be forthcoming and be positive.

Funding sought to stabilize the upstairs of the tunnels as well as to increase bat habitat was denied, but the SAC will pursue future Game Commission grants for this purpose.

The SAC will be submitting a request for funding through the Transportation Enhancement Program for the construction of a trail head. This request will be due late October.

A fundraiser for the project will take place at Fall Foliage in cooperation with Fat Jimmy's of Breezewood. Kayaks and watercraft will be demoed at the event on October 11 and 12. All proceeds will go toward the project.

The SAC has requested assistance from the PA Turnpike Commission to install emergency access gates at the trail Termini.

The majority of storm related damage from Hurricane Isabel and additional storm damage caused last Saturday have been addressed.

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