## **NEWS RELEASE**

## From the Brodhead Watershed Association FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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"Where in the Watershed" Walk #11
Into the Wintry Woods of Pocono Creek's Headwaters
at Deep Lake and Wolf Swamp
on Sunday, January 11<sup>th</sup> from 1 to 4:30 pm

Walk "into the Wintry Woods" with Brodhead Watershed Association and Pocono Heritage Land Trust members on Sunday, January 11<sup>th</sup>. Held on Gamelands #38 near Camelback, hikers will explore the headwaters area of Pocono Creek known as Deep Lake and Wolf Swamp. Join local naturalists Don Miller and Bill Sweeney for this mid-winter natural history exploration of this biologically and geologically interesting corner of the 3,900 + area Gamelands #38. This area is an excellent example of our distant Pocono glacial history with its glacier gouged wetlands, kettle lakes and small boulder fields as visual reminders of its glacial past.

Depression filled wetlands, cold groundwater springs/seeps and Pocono Creek watershed runoff fills the Deep Lake and Wolf Swamp depressions which then send their waters into the wild trout headwaters of Sand Spring Run and Wolf Swamp Run. The walk will be on level to moderate terrain utilizing existing limited access gamelands roads, old logging roads in the vicinity of the former Wilkes Barre and Eastern rail line.

Participants should meet in a small Gamelands parking area on the right side of the State Park access road beyond Camelback Ski area and just before the road makes a sharp left turn to begin the final ascent to Big Pocono State Park. Participants should be prepared for and be comfortable being outdoors for an extended period of time in cold weather. This walk will be held rain snow or shine. Pre-registration suggested in case really bad winter weather forces a cancellation. Please contact PHLT Monday to Friday 8:30 to 4:30 at (570) 424-1514 to register and PHLT (570-424-1514) or BWA (570-839-1120) for additional hike information. A \$5.00 per person hike donation (\$3.00 per BWA/PHLT members and children under 12 free) is collected at the start of the hike for BWA and PHLT.

The Brodhead Watershed Association is a non-profit environmental organization formed in 1989. BWA is dedicated to protecting and preserving water resources and the environment of the Brodhead watershed and the water quality of the Brodhead, Cherry, Marshalls, McMichael, Paradise and Pocono creeks and their tributaries. The BWA assists municipalities, residents, businesses and groups with protecting natural resources through education, workshops, seminars, public programs and stream monitoring.

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