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Caption: Wendy Lichty performs a test for the Streamwatch program. (BWA photo)

Free training: Streamwatchers needed in Brodhead watershed

Would you like to be a Streamwatcher? Brodhead Watershed Association will soon welcome new “water warriors” into its popular Streamwatch program.

A Streamwatch volunteer training session for Brodhead watershed residents will be held via Zoom at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 27, 2021. Individualized on-stream training will be provided by experienced volunteers following the virtual training.

For 30 years, BWA Streamwatch volunteers have been checking local streams on a monthly basis. Now, with more than 70 volunteers in seven sub-watershed regions of the Brodhead watershed, new volunteers are always welcome to join the efforts to ensure clean streams. This program is also a good refresher course for veteran Streamwatchers.

“Streamwatch volunteers are our eyes and ears in the watershed,” said BWA Executive Director Kelly Gallo. “The data they collect and the time they spend in and around the streams in our community is an invaluable resource to BWA, our watershed, and our community. These community scientists are trained to test chemical parameters and to use their data to provide observations of stream health.”

Not sure where you live in the Brodhead watershed? Find out using the tool at brodheadwatershed.org/explore-your-watershed/.

To register, contact the BWA office at 570-839-1120, email info@brodheadwatershed.org or see the event page at brodheadwatershed.org/events/streamwatch-training-2-2-2/. Registrants will receive the Zoom information to join the March 27 webinar. Please register by March 25.

For more about the Streamwatch program, see brodheadwatershed.org/stream-watch/.

Brodhead Watershed Association is a nonprofit 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. BWA assists municipalities, residents, businesses and groups with protecting natural resources through education, workshops, seminars, public programs and stream monitoring. For information: info@brodheadwatershed.org or 570-839-1120.