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## The Delaware Riverkeeper Network to honor environmental leadership by municipalities within the Delaware River Watershed

Bristol, PA — The Delaware Riverkeeper Network (DRN) is celebrating its first 25 years by recognizing exceptional environmental efforts undertaken by local governments throughout the Delaware River Watershed.

"The Delaware Riverkeeper Network has always worked from the ground up, empowering communities and citizens to act and advocate for change," said Maya van Rossum, the Delaware Riverkeeper. She added that "Recognizing the work that our watershed communities have undertaken to protect and restore the environment is a great way to mark 25 years or working locally." DRN will be showcasing projects from each of the four Delaware River watersheds states: New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Delaware."

DRN is inviting local governments to nominate their work for consideration, and encourages residents who are proud of an effort their community has undertaken to protect and restore the environment to work with their municipality to nominate that effort.

Nominations will be evaluated by the DRN staff, Board and Advisory Board. Awards will be presented locally. The special recognition that selected municipalities will receive includes: A framed Certificate of Commendation; a letter from the Delaware Riverkeeper; and acknowledgement in DRN's Environmental Excellence Awards publicity. Certificates will be presented personally by the Delaware Riverkeeper.

To learn more about how to nominate a project, go online to http://bit.ly/DRN-awards. Nominations should include a project description, photos if available, and links to any relevant project materials available online. Nominations will be accepted through June 15, 2014. Applicants will be notified of their award status as decisions are made.

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