

**Western Maryland RC&D  
December, 2012, Project Status**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Project Status</b>	<b>Contacts</b>
December 2012	MDNR PPRP MOU and Contract	PPRP Contract approved through June 30, 2013. Funding level reduced.	Paul Petzrick, PPRP
December 2012	Jennings Run AMD proposed Brook Trout project	Letter of Intent with PPRP signed. Letter Contract with Big Savage LLC and WM RC&D approved. Letter Contract with Borden Mining Co. approved. Request to Allegany County Commissioners for access in progress.	Seth Whitmore, Big Savage LLC, Niles Primrose, PPRP, Connie Loucks/Joe Mills, MDE, WMRC&D, OSM, F&WS, Borden Mining Co., Craig Hartsock, WMRC&D
December 2012	Frostburg Grows Project	Grant for \$300,000 for High Tunnel Hoop House construction funding approved by American Rivers/EPA. Land lease signed, Budget approved, Grant Award approved. Sub-Award to FSU in progress. Construction in progress.	Dan Fiscus, Joe Hoffman, FSU, Will Jenkins, Allegany Coal and Land Co. Paul Kazyak, HAP Highlands Action Program, Georges Creek Watershed Association, WM RC&D
December 2012	Maryland DNR Forest Service	<b>New one-Year Contract</b> for Firewise Forester position till July 31, 2013.	MDNR, Gary Aronhalt Mark Goldbach
December 2012	Savage River Stream Restoration Project/Metz Property	WM RC&D submitted a grant application to the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation for a partnership project with Canaan Valley Institute. Project approved for funding. <b>New contract with CVI approved.</b>	NFWF CVI WM RC&D
December 2012	Wetlands Restoration Project, Second Contract between USDA and WMRC&D	New USDA, NRCS Wetlands Restoration Program (WRP) project Agreement approved. Four properties included; construction in progress.	Steve Strano, USDA, NRCS WMRC&D administering project.
December 2012	OSM AmeriCorps/Vista Position	Application submitted, and approved, advertisement and selection for December started.	WMRC&D to host position in Hagerstown Office.
December 2012	WMRC&D Website	WMRC&D website updated including security improvements.	Chris Baker at CB Studios
December 2012	U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service Partnership Projects	We have several ongoing projects primarily for fish habitat conservation and stream restoration.	Rich Starr, F&WS