## Lehigh Valley Greenways Conservation Landscape

# SUCCESS STORY

By: Bushkill Township, Sobers Run Stream Bank Restoration www.bushkilltownship.com

### **Sobers Run Streambank Restoration Project 2015**

#### **SUMMARY**

The Bushkill Township Board of Supervisors and EAC targeted 150' of severely impacted streambank for restoration along Sober's Run Creek adjacent to the Bushkill Township / PPL Trail. The Bushkill Township Public Works Department installed natural boulders up to the high water mark and installed two rock vane flow deflectors in an effort to stop erosion of the streambank. In addition, bioengineering practices were used to stabilize the upper banks with native vegetation.

### FUNDING Crant Ave

Grant Award: \$7,500

Match: \$8,415

**Total Project Cost:** \$15,915



#### **PARTNERSHIP IS KEY**

By partnering with Lehigh
Valley Greenways and the
Department of Conservation &
Natural Resources, Bushkill
Township was able to complete
its second stream bank
restoration project along
Sobers Run.

#### **CHALLENGE**

The streambank has been severely eroded for decades and the bank was undercutting further each year resulting in sedimentation downstream. Access to the site was limited and flow levels had to be low in order to complete the project.

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