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VIII - Speaking Engagements:

- BCEC Chair spoke at Delaware Heritage Trail Workshop, regarding proposed Blacks Creek Greenway.

IX - Proposed 2005 Projects:

- 1- Stream Cleanups
- 2- Street Fair/Cranberry Festival tables
- 3- Completion of Environmental Resource Inventory
- 4- Eco-Tours of proposed open space and trails (Blacks Creek and Thorntown Creek)
- 5- Stormwater Regulations Education and Outreach project
- 6- Installation of DogiPot pet waste stations and Bicycle Parking Rack
- 7 - Restoration of Bank Street clearcut site

Appendices:

- 1-BCEC Newsletters
- 2-Draft Environmental Resource Inventory
- 3-Press Clippings



Trash pulled from Thorntown Creek



BCEC tent at Street Fair

Bordentown City Environmental Commission

Annual Report 2004



2004 Earth Day Cleanup Volunteers

I - Administrative:

7 regular members

- Solicited new members for BCEC via email appeals and notices in register-News.
- Continued membership in the Association of NJ Environmental Commissions (ANJEC).

II - Outreach & Education:

- Received input from, and addressed concerns of, Bordentown City residents at regular monthly meetings.

- Communicated with residents via regular monthly BCEC meetings; email inquiries to BCEC website; alerts to BCEC email list; and articles and Letters to the Editor in the Register-News regarding pertinent local issues and public meetings. (see Press Clippings)

- Initiated meeting with Burlington County DOT regarding bicycle infrastructure in Bordentown City. Presented proposed bikeway signage for Park Street and RiverLINE station.

- Created/published one edition of BCEC newsletter, containing articles and information designed to inform and educate City and area residents about local environmental issues. Distributed newsletters at annual Street Fair and Cranberry Festival and posted on City Hall bul-

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Clear-cut destruction on Bank Street

meeting of DBA regarding benefits of wayfinding signage to merchants and residents. Advised on content of sign information and encouraged re-positioning of sign for increased accessibility.

● Attended Friends of the Marsh meetings to promote interests of Bordentown City in efforts to promote and protect Hamilton-Trenton-Bordentown Marsh. Also, liaised with Delaware & Raritan Greenway and Delaware & Raritan Canal Commission regarding upcoming (2005) project to construct multiuse canal path extending from Bordentown City to Trenton.

● Organized an Earth Day Stream Cleanup of Thorntown Creek. Approximately 20 volunteers participated. Removed dozens of bags of garbage and miscellaneous refuse, which was removed by Public Works Department. Outlined efforts to establish greenways in Bordentown City. Further Cleanups to be held in 2005.(see photo below)



Pulling at mattress out of Thorntown Creek (Earth Day Clean-up)

● Investigated incident of clear-cutting on state property by Bank Street property owner. Liaised with Friends of the Marsh and Delaware & Raritan Canal State park regarding damages and remediation. Assisted in documenting damages. Conducted site walk with USDA natural resources Conservation Service representatives, who issued received restoration plan report. (see photo at left)

● Conducted Field Trip to Blacks Creek Greenway. Approximately 12 people were provided with ecological and historical commentary by Jan Bisco-Werner of Bordentown Twp. Open Space Committee.

● Liaised with the following local and regional organizations on behalf of issues relating to Bordentown City: Bordentown Historical Society, Bordentown City Shade Tree Committee, Bordentown City Cats, Inc., Bordentown Township Open Space Committee, Bordentown Township Environmental Commission, Burlington County Rt. 130 Redevelopment Committee, Burlington County Rt. 206 Corridor Study, Burlington County Office of Land Use Planning, Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission, Delaware & Raritan Greenway, NJ-DEP (Green Acres and Land Use Planning Divisions), NJ Department of Transportation, NJ Transit, Burlington County Soil Conservation District, and various regional Environmental Commissions.



Mouth of Thorntown Creek at low tide

II - Site Plan Review:

● Conducted research and reviewed plans regarding proposed development by Real Property Development Corporation of 3 acre parcel of land on Oliver Street.

● Submitted request to NJDEP to revisit wetlands buffer requirements for Real Property/Oliver Street properties in light of recent contradictory buffer permits to



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