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## **DRN Seeks Citizens To Help Monitor the Health of Local Streams**

*Callicoon, NY* – Delaware Riverkeeper Network (DRN) will be holding a citizen monitoring workshop on June 30, 2012 in Callicoon, NY to train new volunteer citizens interested in testing the tributaries that feed the Delaware River in potential natural gas drilling zones where Marcellus shale is located. These citizens will join the over 70 plus trained stream testers with DRN who have been collecting water quality data for over 50 stream stations since the winter of 2010. According to **Maya van Rossum, the Delaware Riverkeeper**, “Volunteer monitors are a critical component to DRN’s scientific data collection efforts documenting the health and quality of the Delaware River Basin. Monitors were instrumental in helping to document sediment pollution to streams and wetlands from natural gas pipeline companies operating in the Basin since last year. They have also helped collect data that show the exceptional quality of these streams.”

Delaware Riverkeeper Network is seeking new volunteer monitors interested in becoming a part of this network and being trained. If you’d like to learn more about this training or to register to attend, contact Faith Zerbe, Delaware Riverkeeper Network’s Director of Monitoring at 215-369-1188 ext. 110.

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