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Harwood, MD - On December 23, the Board of Trustees of the Chesapeake Environmental Protection Association (CEPA) presented a check for \$6,000 to West/Rhode Riverkeeper Chris Trumbauer. Earlier this year, the Riverkeeper received a grant from the Chesapeake Bay Trust to do restoration work in the West River watershed. CEPA's contribution will be used to support that work, which will implement several restoration projects. These include a comprehensive watershed assessment and two stormwater retention areas intended to treat runoff.

"We are proud to have CEPA as a partner in this effort. This generous grant will help us do real work to reduce pollution going into the West River," said West/Rhode Riverkeeper Chris Trumbauer.

The funds for the grant came to CEPA as a result of the dissolution of the West River Federation, a group formed in the 1980s to oppose inappropriate development around the West River.

CEPA President Al Tucker said "CEPA has supported the work of the West/Rhode Riverkeeper from its beginnings and is pleased to be able to make this contribution. This grant will advance the purposes of CEPA and is consistent with the mission of the West River Federation."

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West/Rhode Riverkeeper works to protect families and communities by stopping pollution. We strive for healthy and safe rivers and streams. We work together with communities to enforce environmental law, promote restoration, and advocate for better environmental policy. Join West/Rhode Riverkeeper in protecting the right of our families and communities to enjoy clean and safe water.