



# Forest Pools Preserve

## Dickinson Township, Cumberland County

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### CONTRACTED SERVICES

R.T. Carey Trucking LLC  
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The Nature Conservancy's 70-acre Forest Pools Preserve at Kings Gap is part of their South Mountain Landscape Project and serves as a demonstration site to address the threats to South Mountain Region's unique natural heritage, particularly vernal pools. This region is one of the greenway gems of the Central Appalachians with clear waters, bountiful farmlands, and lush, rolling forests.

Located near several of the Forest Pools Preserve's significant vernal pools were the remnants of two inactive illegal dumpsites. In addition to being eyesores, the dumpsites threatened the health of the vernal pool ecosystem. Fortunately, Dickinson Township, in partnership with PA CleanWays and The Nature Conservancy, donated equipment and manpower to eradicate the dumpsites over two days and restore the area so that all visitors may enjoy and explore trash free.

**Cleanup Date: September 15-16, 2009**

**Township: Dickinson**

**Trash Removed: 33.38 Tons**

*"I appreciated how quick and organized the cleanup was; all the supplies and the crew were ready for a two-day cleanup that would never have been accomplished without PA CleanWays. The crew was extremely hardworking and able to remove several tons of trash from two wetlands on our Forest Pools Preserve. This cleanup was the first step towards improving vernal pool breeding habitat for amphibians."*

Tracy Coleman  
The Nature Conservancy



Cleanup funding provided by the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Bureau of Recreation and Conservation.



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