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State seeks stormwater volunteers

BALTIMORE - The state is looking for volunteers to monitor sediment pollution that harms creeks, rivers and the Chesapeake Bay.

The Maryland Department of the Environment's Volunteer Enforcement Corps is expanding its membership as it goes into its second year. Launched in February 2009, the enforcement corps includes 19 volunteers who have put in 670 hours of work dealing with stormwater. Mainly, the volunteers audit site inspection logs that are required as part of stormwater permits. The enforcement corps is a collaboration between MOE and Volunteer Maryland, which is an Americorps program. The Keith Campbell Foundation has provided money to the program.

For information, contact Dan Miller at 410-537-4480 or djmiller@mde.state.md.us. Information also is posted online at www.mde.state.md.us/CitizensInfoCenter/Volunteering/vec.asp and on the enforcement corps' Facebook page.