



WV Project CommuniTree Planting in Town of Moorefield

The planting occurred on the morning of October 19, 2015—a beautiful and sunny fall day in Moorefield.

WV Division of Highways crew pre-dug the holes and were on hand to help with heavy lifting and pounding of stakes.

The site on main street at "The Circle" was chosen because several trees that had been planted in 2014 by the Town of Moorefield needed replanting due to maintenance issues.

Carla Hardy (WV Conservation Agency) and the Tree Board spent some time with the students explaining why the trees failed to establish and then reviewed proper planting techniques. After the group planted the six trees at The Circle, they moved on to

the Town Park.

Many of the memorial trees that have been planted in past years have failed to establish. Six of the sixteen trees in this CTree Kit were used as replacements for those trees.

The four remaining sycamores were planted along the dike in town as replacements for an existing riparian buffer.

A total of 5 youth volunteers, 2 DOH workers, and 6 adults participated on the day of the planting. The kids got a lot of attention while planting on main street. They enjoyed posing with their trees and their CTree sign for pictures.



It was also good for the Parks Crew to have a demonstration planting and learn more about tree stewardship. They were very interested in seeing what they were doing right and what they can do better to maintain their trees in the future.

Great job to the Town of Moorefield, the WV Division of Highways, WV Conservation Agency, and all of the youth volunteers for a job well done!

A word from the Project Leader, Carla Hardy:

"I believe every time you can educate a volunteer on proper planting depth, awareness of placement, loosening of the root ball and how to properly mulch a tree without smothering it by letting them do it hands on- they remember it and convey that information on to others."



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