

NOAA Restoration Day 2009



Maryland Event

On June 18, 2009, more than two hundred NOAA employees and partners will participate in the **6th annual NOAA Restoration Day** in two different states -- Maryland and Virginia. This event is growing every year as NOAA works to restore habitat at two important sites in the Chesapeake Bay watershed. NOAA Restoration Day is one of the largest voluntary federal employee sponsored environmental stewardship events in the Bay watershed.

When: Thursday, June 18, 2009

9:00am – 4:00pm

Where: Otter Point Creek, a component of the Maryland Chesapeake Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve
700 Otter Point Rd., Abingdon, MD
(approx. 1 hour from Silver Spring, MD)

Who: 150 NOAA employees from **all** Line Offices

14 Restoration Field Activities:

- Planting underwater Bay grasses grown within 22 NOAA office tanks
- Removing invasive species
- Planting native trees
- Cleaning shoreline
- Digital elevation mapping activities
- Fish seining and sampling
- Telemetry tracking of Box Turtles, and more...

Why NOAA Should Help the Chesapeake Bay:

- It is a local treasure that needs our help
- NOAA supports coastal habitat restoration
- Consistent with the NOAA mission
- NOAA staff enjoy field work – It's fun!

Joint NOS & NMFS Project:

- NOS: Special Projects, Office of Response & Restoration, National Geodetic Survey, Office of National Marine Sanctuaries, and Office of Coastal Resources Management.
- NMFS: NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, NOAA Restoration Center

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