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Volunteers Needed for 15th Annual Big Creek Watershed Clean Up

Cleveland, OH – On June 1, 2013, the Cuyahoga Soil and Water Conservation District and Friends of Big Creek with the support of community stakeholders will host the 15th Annual Big Creek Watershed Clean Up from 9:00am - Noon. Volunteers are needed to help pick up stream side trash and should meet at one of the following locations at 8:45am.

- Brookfield Park – Brookfield Ave., (between Bellaire and W. 130th)
- Brooklyn City Fire Department (8400 Memphis Ave – Brooklyn, OH)
- Snow Road Picnic Area along Big Creek Parkway
- Archmere Park, W. 41st Street & Archmere

This is a great opportunity to get involved in the preservation of the Big Creek. While water quality is improving in our streams, many pollution problems still exist. Healthy streams are not only vital for a healthy environment, but also for a healthy economy. Water from all of our streams in Cuyahoga County eventually flows into Lake Erie. Lake Erie is not only the source of our drinking water, but also provides us with recreational and economic benefits. Volunteers will gain an understanding of how streams work and evolve, potential threats that can affect the health of a stream, and what they can do to reduce or eliminate those threats.

Bags and work gloves will be provided. Dress for the weather and wear work boots or work shoes. Long sleeves and pants are recommended. Children under 18 must have adult supervision. Refreshments will be provided for volunteers. Join the Friends of Big Creek as we “sweep” through the neighborhood in an effort to protect and restore this beautiful stream.

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