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Schuylkill River Heritage Area Hires New Trails Project Manager

The Schuylkill River Heritage Area has hired Robert C. Folwell as the new Trails Project Manager.

Folwell will be responsible for projects related to construction and improvement of the Schuylkill River Trail system.

Prior to joining the SRHA staff he worked for 23-years as Capital Projects Coordinator for Chester County Parks and Recreation. There his duties included grant acquisition, budgeting, design, planning, engineering and approvals for construction projects for the county's parks and trails.

"He brings over 20-years of trail building experience to the Schuylkill River Trail system. His expertise will be a strong asset to our organization and the community of trail users," said SRHA Executive Director Kurt Zwikl.

The Schuylkill River Trail, when complete, will run an estimated 130 miles from Fort Mifflin in Philadelphia through Pottsville in Schuylkill County. The SRHA is currently constructing parts of the trail in Berks and Schuylkill Counties.

Folwell has two degrees in landscape architecture from Pennsylvania State University, a Bachelor's of Landscape Architecture and a Bachelor's of Science.

He also has tremendous knowledge of the Schuylkill River Heritage Area, having been involved in that organization on and off since 1989, either as a committee member or a Schuylkill Greenway Association board member. He recently resigned from the board in order to accept the Trails Project Manager position.

Folwell, the father of three grown children, lives in Gilbertsville with his wife. He has served his local community as a member of the Douglass Township Recreation Advisory Committee and the Open Space Committee.

The Schuylkill River National and State Heritage Area is a non-profit organization that uses conservation, education, recreation, tourism, and cultural and historic preservation as tools for community revitalization and economic development.