



# YOUGHIOGHENY RIVER LAKE NATIONAL PUBLIC LANDS DAY 2020



## **Event:**

•Youghiogheny River Lake hosted Shoreline Cleanup on 26 September 2020 for National Public Lands Day.

## **Communication Objectives:**

- Educate people that National Public Lands Day is a day set aside to promote conservation of public lands and enjoyment of our natural resources.
- Bring the lake community and Yough Staff together to keep the lake in pristine condition.
- Cleaning the lake benefits the people who use it, protects the wildlife who reside within and around it, and gives you a sense of accomplishment.

## **Activities:**

- Worked with Friends for Youghiogheny River Lake, members of the Yough Walleye Association, and our all-star Volunteer Mr. Zueger to clean up the shoreline.
- Mr. Zueger started early this summer cleaning trash and creating stock piles around the lake to make it easier for us to collect.
- Interpretive discussions on water safety, lake characteristics, and wildlife.

## **Key Take-Aways:**

- When everyone works together you can achieve incredible results.
- We collected 60 cubic yards of debris (the equivalent of two roll off dumpsters)
- People care! Although we had to modify our event because of the current situation in the world we still had people going out to collect debris and clean the lake on their own boats.

