

On Friday July 5th an MAWC employee called the George Sweeney Plant notifying them about an accident involving a gasoline tanker truck. The Water Quality Supervisor called 911 and got the location of the accident and sent an employee, Scott Merichko, down to investigate. The accident was at the intersection of route 819 and Frog Lane in Slickville, PA. This location is in our watershed and had the potential to enter Porters Run which is a tributary to the Beaver Run Reservoir. The employee arrived on scene at about 1330 and spoke with the responders on site. He was told that an estimated 30 gallons of gasoline were spilled onto the field and the rest of the fuel was pumped out of the tanker truck before it was moved. A waste removal company arrived on scene and extracted the contaminated soil to avoid any contamination of the surrounding area. By 1430 the soil was removed and the spill was contained in a small area away from the stream. There was no sheen on the stream or any signs of the gas traveling outside of the containment area so no further sampling was needed.