## Liberty Reservoir Municipal Planting Westminster Rescue Mission, Westminster

This tree planting was completed in the Liberty Reservoir watershed in fall 2014. The plantings were established to address inadequate stream buffer as determined by the 2012 Stream Corridor Assessment, which is an assessment that determines the health of a stream corridor. The benefits of creating these buffers are numerous; trees along the stream provide habitat, filter runoff, and regulate stream temperature by providing shade.

The Westminster Rescue Mission Property is transected by a stream known as West Branch on the west, and an unnamed tributary of the stream known as Cranberry Branch on the east. This particular planting resulted in the reforestation of **3.18 acres** of property and **770 linear feet** of vegetated streamside. The total cost of the planting was covered by the Governor's Challenge grant.

