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EHP Hires New Executive Director Alison Steele

McMURRAY, PA, February 28, 2020 – The Southwest Pennsylvania Environmental Health Project (EHP) Board of Directors announces the hiring of a new Executive Director, **Alison Steele**.

Ms. Steele comes to EHP from her post as Director of Community Programs and Advocacy at Conservation Consultants, Inc. in Pittsburgh. She has held a variety of management and programmatic positions in the environmental and energy efficiency fields. She received an MBA from Duquesne University, with a focus on sustainable business practices, and has a distinguished undergraduate record from Drew University where she majored in physics.

Steele will take over the position from the founding Director, **Raina Rippel**, who helped bring EHP from a fledgling idea to an accomplished, widely respected public health organization focused exclusively on the health consequences of shale gas and oil development. Ms. Steele will begin her tenure as EHP's executive director on March 3, bringing with her a wealth of experience, knowledge, and enthusiasm.

About Southwest Pennsylvania Environmental Health Project

The [Southwest Pennsylvania Environmental Health Project](http://www.environmentalhealthproject.org) (EHP) is a nonprofit public health organization that defends public health in the face of oil and gas development. We provide frontline communities with timely monitoring, interpretation and guidance. We engage diverse stakeholders: health professionals, researchers, community organizers, public servants, and others. We do so because knowledge protects health.