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## BLUEFIELD GIRL AWARDED BY EPA, RAHALL SAYS

Beckley, W.Va. - A 10-year old Bluefield resident has been honored by the Environmental Protection Agency for her work to combat litter, according to Rep. Nick Rahall (D-W.Va.). Debbie Combs, a student at Ceres Elementary School, is EPA Region III, winner of the National President's Environmental Youth Award.

"I congratulate Debbie on her accomplishments and urge her to continue working to help make West Virginia litter free," Rahall said. "She has investigated litter and water pollution problems in our state, and used her communications skills to become the 'Four-Foot-High-Private-Eye'."

Over a seven month period, Debbie made 25 presentations to civic, business, and community groups on pollution and litter control methods.

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