

Thames River Basin Partnership

Who Are We?

www.thamesriverbasinpartnership.org

Eastern Connecticut Conservation District

USDA, Natural Resources Conservation Service

USDA, Farm Service Agency

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

CT Department of Environmental Protection

University of Connecticut, Cooperative Extension System

Project Oceanology

U.S. Geological Survey

The Green Valley Institute

Eastern Connecticut Conservation and Development Area

Quinebaug-Shetucket Heritage Corridor, Inc.

Northeast Connecticut Council of Governments

Southeastern Connecticut Council of Governments

Windham Region Council of Governments

Willimantic River Alliance

The Nature Conservancy

U. S. Army Corps of Engineers

Trout Unlimited – Thames Valley Chapter

Connecticut Audubon Society

Avalonia Land Conservancy, Inc.

CT Non-point Education for Municipal Officials Program

CT Department of Public Health

Willimantic Whitewater Partnership, Inc.

U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Connecticut College

Atlantic Rural States Water and Wastewater Association

Area Businesses/Industries

Multiple Municipalities

Other interested individuals and organizations will occasionally participate



What Is The Partnership?

The Partnership is a voluntary, cooperative effort to share resources and to develop a regional approach to resource protection. The Partnership grew out of the locally led workshops held by the region's Conservation Districts. Priority areas of concern for the basin are:

- Protect the region's agricultural and natural areas being threatened by land use changes;
- Protect ground and surface water quantity and quality being threatened and degraded by contamination;
- Protect the region's biodiversity; and
- Improve the coastal zone resource conditions.

Thames River Basin Partnership Program Highlights

Floating Workshops

- FW I. Enviro-Lab: Norwich nutrients
- FW II. Enviro-Lab: Sampling
- FW III. Enviro-Lab: wakes, security
- FW IV. Enviro-Lab: access, development
- FW V. West Thompson Lake sampling
- FW VI. Enviro-Lab: smart growth/conservation
- FW VII. Bus tour of the Shetucket River

Workshops and Events

- Low Impact Forestry Harvesting
- Brownfields Workshop
- Creating Partnerships For Community Conservation
- Geographic Information Workshop
- Vernal Pool Workshop
- Forested Streamside Buffer Workshop
- Celebrating Agriculture
- Poquetanuck Cove Tour
- Low Impact Development Workshop

Projects

Poquetanuck Cove watershed restoration project is in progress

Education and Information

- Website: www.thamesriverbasinpartnership.org
- Brochure: Vegetated Buffer Strips for Streams, Lakes, Ponds
- Brochure: Our Environment Begins With Your Yard
- Streamwalk Video

Streamwalks

- Recruited volunteers, provided training, and completed a 51 mile streamwalk along the Quinebaug River
- Recruited volunteers, provided training, and completed a 70 mile streamwalk along the Shetucket River
- Recruited volunteers, provided training, and completed a 90 mile streamwalk along the Willimantic River

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