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The Westchester County Citizen's Volunteer Monitoring Program



Learn the art of
collecting critters to
assess water quality and
much, much more!

Put on
your
waders
and join us - no prior
experience necessary...

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Getting Started

WCCVMP volunteers will work together in teams of at least two people to collect the physical, chemical and biological data for stream sites throughout Westchester County. Volunteers will form teams during training sessions, or you may register as a team. Upon completion of the workshop, teams will select two stream sites to monitor, receive a set of equipment with a procedure manual, and a team website login ID and password that will be used to enter results into the web-based database.

Training Sessions

Volunteers must attend all 3 sessions of the workshop.

Session I: Tuesdays

6:30 to 8:30 pm:

Meet other volunteers and discover the physical parameters of streams.



Session II: Thursdays

6:30 to 8:30 pm:

Learn about water chemistry and the equipment used in stream monitoring.

Session III: Saturdays

8:30 am to 12:30 pm:

Practice collecting water quality data on a local stream and identify water critters.

VISIT US ON THE WEB AT: <http://cvmp.westchestergov.com/cvmp/>

Keep Westchester Water **H₂OK**



- The Westchester County Department of Planning would like to thank its WCCVMP partners:
- Bezczak Environmental Education Center
 - Bronx River Alliance
 - Greenburgh Nature Center
 - Hudson Basin River Watch
 - Mianus River Gorge Preserve Inc.
 - Natural Resources Conservation Services
 - Riverkeeper
 - Save the Sound Inc.
 - Sheldrake Environmental Center
 - Soil and Water Conservation District
 - Teatown Lake Reservation
 - Weinberg Nature Center
 - Westchester County Department of Parks, Recreation, & Conservation

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Mission

- Create a baseline of water quality information throughout Westchester County.
- Connect communities with their water resources through education and hands on involvement.
- Allow public access to water quality monitoring information for educational purposes.

History

It is important to understand our aquatic resources and the impacts of human activities on water quality. In 2003 the WCCVMP was established to create a baseline of water quality data on waterbodies throughout the County and make the information accessible to the public through an online database. The WCCVMP will create a comprehensive database of water quality information for Westchester's watersheds.

Training Workshop Schedule

- No fee or prior experience is necessary to become a volunteer.
- You will learn all you need during the three sessions of the training workshops.

Workshop:	Date:	Location:
1	April 22, 24 and 26 (11 am to 3 pm)	Trailside Museum, Ward Pound Ridge, Cross River
2	April 29, May 1 and 3	Marshlands Conservancy, Rye
3	May 13, 15 and 17	Cranberry Lake Preserve, North White Plains
4	Wednesday May 28, 29 and 31	Croton Point Park, Croton-on-Hudson
5	June 3, 5, and 7	Sheldrake Environmental Center, Larchmont
6	June 17, 19 and 21	Teatown Lake Reservation, Ossining
7	June 24, 26 and 28	Bezak Environmental Center, Yonkers
8	July 8, 10 and 12	Weinberg Nature Center, Scarsdale
9	July 15, 17 and 19	Greenburgh Nature Center, Scarsdale
10	July 22, 24 and 26	Westchester County Center, White Plains

Must be at least 14 years of age to participate.

Register Today!

Name: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

Phone: _____

Training Workshop Preference

1st Choice: _____

2nd Choice: _____

Are you Registering as a team ?

Yes No

Send completed form to:

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Standard Mail
U.S. Postage
PAID
White Plains, NY
Permit No. 261

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