

# **Massachusetts Watershed Coalition Annual Meeting**

February 11, 2010 at Doyle Conservation Center, 464 Abbott Avenue, Leominster

## **COMMUNITY STORMWATER SOLUTIONS: KEEPING YOUR STREAMS ALIVE**

Stormwater is the leading cause for water impairment in New England. Rapid runoff from roads, homes and businesses washes toxic pollutants into living waters, erodes stream banks and lessens the groundwater recharge that sustains stream flows during dry seasons. This meeting will focus on answers to runoff problems that harm aquatic ecosystems, damage property and spoil uses of local streams, lakes and water supplies.



Stormwater is produced by the entire community and everyone can help to remedy runoff. As outlined below, workshops will supply guidance for watershed groups, lake associations, town officials, highway departments, local stormwater committees and “green committees”, home-builders and engineers, which can prevent damages and renew the health of community waters. The meeting is free - pre-registration is requested.

Please call (978) 534-0379 or email [mwc@commonwaters.org](mailto:mwc@commonwaters.org) to register for the meeting.

- 4:30 p.m. Registration and refreshments  
*Display Tables: Stormwater & Conservation Assistance Programs*
- 5:00 **Community-Based Solutions** (plenary panel)
- Welcome & Workshops Overview
  - Stormwater Impacts & State Stormwater Policy – *Fred Civian, MassDEP*
  - Local Solutions to Stormwater Pollution – Ipswich River demonstration projects including LID subdivision, green roof, rain gardens, porous pavers and other Green Infrastructure investments in Ipswich and Wilmington, MA – *Sara Cohen, DCR Project Manager*
- 6:15 **Local Problems & Opportunities** (three concurrent workshops)
- Renewing Stream Life – restoring damaged Brook Trout habitats in central Massachusetts – *Glenn Krevosky, EBT Environmental Consultants, Inc.*
  - MS4s, TMDLs & Your Town – guidance on the 2010 municipal storm water permits and community involvement in stormwater solutions – *Thelma Murphy, EPA New England* and *Nancy Bryant, SuAsCo Watershed Community Council “Stormwater Matters” program*
  - Municipal Financing Options to reduce stormwater impacts including grants, loans, stormwater utilities and incentives for property owners – *Joe Delaney, MassDEP*
- 7:15 **Stormwater Solutions** (three concurrent workshops)
- Pervious pavement applications for roads, parking lots and driveways – *Michael Marcus, New England Environmental, Inc* and *Peter Lanza/Ed Himlan, Lake Samoset Association*
  - Rain gardens and tree box filters: applications for homeowners, businesses and community groups – *Ian Cooke, Neponset Watershed Association* and *Mike Clark, Weston & Sampson*
  - Creating LID - examples of how to build Green Housing and Low Impact Developments that protect and improve local water resources – *R. Carter Scott, Transformations Inc.*
- 8:15 *MWC Business Meeting*
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