

RIVER-FRIENDLY SURVEY	YES	NO	N/A
I use soil test results to guide fertilization of my yard OR I do not use fertilizer in my yard.			
I follow the directions on pesticides and fertilizers when I use them OR I do not use pesticides and fertilizers.			
I mow my lawn at the highest setting.			
I leave the grass clippings on the lawn.			
There is at least 10 feet of undisturbed-not mowed vegetation along my stream (or other water body) AND I do not use pesticides and or fertilizers in this area.			
I converted a portion of my lawn to garden or natural vegetation using native species. Approximate Area= ft. x ft.			
I use non-chemical methods for controlling unwanted insects, weeds and animals (e.g. pulling weeds, spraying pests off plants with water) AND I tolerate some pests/weeds in my lawn and garden.			
I have a compost pile and use the compost as a lawn/garden amendment.			
I mulch 2-3 inches in my landscape and garden beds, and around shrubs and trees to conserve water and suppress weed growth.			
I planted groundcovers, vegetation, or use mulch to cover exposed soil.			
If invasive species are present, I remove those AND when replacing plants I plant native species of plants on my property.			
I have birdhouses or bat houses on my property.			
I use rain barrels OR direct my gutters away from paved areas onto grass or other vegetation.			
I pick up after my pet. I dispose of the waste in the: <input type="checkbox"/> toilet or <input type="checkbox"/> trash.			
If salt is needed or used on sidewalks and driveways, it is applied according to labeled directions.			
I never water my lawn, OR I water my lawn early in the morning or later in the evening (not during the heat of the day), OR I water my lawn only through an irrigation system with a soil moisture sensor.			
I have spray/shut-off nozzles attached to watering hoses.			
I have at least 1 low flow toilet in my house, OR at least 1 toilet has been modified to function as low flow, OR I have at least 1 low flow showerhead, OR I have faucet aerators.			
I am conscientious about water usage in my home. I fix leaks immediately, run dishwashers and clothes washers only when full, and don't run water when shaving or brushing.			
I dispose of household chemicals properly including prescription medications. Items are NOT disposed of down storm drains or sinks.			
I know the tank and drain field location of my septic system. My septic system is pumped and maintained every 3-5 years. Date of last pumping:			
I do not use antibacterial soaps or toxic cleaning products in my home that would go down a drain and into my septic system.			
I have my well tested annually for nitrates and other harmful bacteria. Date of last test:			
I participated in a stream or neighborhood cleanup in 2007/2008/2009, OR I attended an educational class or hike on a landscape related topic.			
I communicated and shared my efforts with neighbors, friends, relatives, or other local group.			
TOTAL			

Are you River-Friendly?

Yes, I completed at least 20 River-Friendly actions.
(Not applicable actions are counted as a point toward the total)

No, but I would like assistance in completing more actions.

Check here if you do not want to receive River-Friendly tips via email.



For Office Use Only: _____ Sign and manual mailed _____ Added to Email _____ Follow up _____

River-Friendly Resident Program

Welcome to the River-Friendly Resident Program. We are very pleased that you have decided to join this free stewardship program as a pledge to do your best in managing your yard. The program emphasizes taking simple steps in your daily activities to make a difference in the health of the Stony Brook- Millstone Watershed. When it rains, storm water runoff carries pollutants (e.g. litter, oil, soil, hazardous substances) into our waterways. This type of pollution is called non-point source (NPS) pollution and it poses a great threat to the quality of drinking water across the nation. The River-Friendly Resident Program helps you reduce the amount of non-point source pollution leaving your property.

Stony Brook-Millstone Watershed Association launched the River-Friendly Resident Program in 2002. As part of a regional collaborative partnership, the materials have been revised and adapted for use by other organizations.

Become a River-Friendly Resident Today! Together, we can preserve this place we call home.



Your water.
Your environment.
Your voice.

Becoming River-Friendly

Fill out the following contact information and complete the survey.

To mail: refold the survey, add a stamp, tape the edges; then we will send your yard sign!

Date: _____

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ Zip code: _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____

Property Size: _____ Are you a Watershed Association member? Yes No

Who usually maintains your property?

You or someone in your family Property manager Lawn-care company

Other: _____

How did you hear about the program?

Newsletter Presentation to my group Website
Friend or neighbor Lawn-care company Other: _____

About the Stony Brook-Millstone Watershed Association

Watersheds are natural boundaries that do not recognize political borders. They are areas of land that drain into a body of water. The Stony Brook-Millstone Watershed is the 265-square-mile area in central New Jersey that is drained by the Stony Brook and Millstone River. It includes parts of five counties and 26 towns.

The Stony Brook-Millstone Watershed Association is the first environmental group in central New Jersey. Since 1949, we've been making the "CASE" for protecting clean water and the environment through Conservation, Advocacy, Science, and Education.

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