Welcome!

The Watershed Reserve is open every day from dawn to dusk. Enjoy our nearly 1,000 acres of forest, wetlands, meadow and farmland.
Stony Brook Trail (2.2 miles, round trip)
Travel through a mature forest along this trail to the Stony Brook and back. Visit the “Hobbit Tree,” an iconic beech along the route, and view stately oaks, hickories and sycamore trees. The trail provides direct access to the Stony Brook, where visitors might find wood ducks, kingfishers and other bird life.

Watershed Trail (6 miles, round trip)
Journey through a diversity of habitats on this moderately challenging trail from the Watershed Center to the northernmost point on the Watershed Reserve. Traverse meadow, pond, stream, deciduous and coniferous forest, and view a large stand of conifers blown down by Super Storm Sandy. The northern reach of the trail ascends 150 feet up the boulder strewn Mount Rose Ridge before descending into the Bedens Brook Watershed near Hopewell Borough. A short southern segment of the trail extends 1.2 miles (round trip) from the parking lot to the Stony Brook.

Farm/History Trail (1.6 miles, round trip)
Witness the region's agrarian history as well as the ongoing operations of the Honey Brook Organic Farm on this loop trail. Portions of the Andrew Drake farmstead, with its grand farm house, unique windmill, large dairy barn and other features, date to the mid-18th century, while the Blackwell-Stout-Voorhees farmstead was established in the mid-19th century. Today's organic farming practices on the Reserve protect our local water and environment.

Meadow/Pond Trail (2.5 miles, round trip)
Tour an 18-acre native meadow and the four-acre Wargo Pond on this loop trail. Hikers may see a hawk perching in the “Lonely Tree,” glimpse an array of water birds, observe turtles sunning themselves on a fallen log or cast for bass from a floating dock.

Keeping water clean, safe and healthy is the heart of our mission. We work to protect and restore our water and natural environment in central New Jersey through conservation, advocacy, science and education.

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