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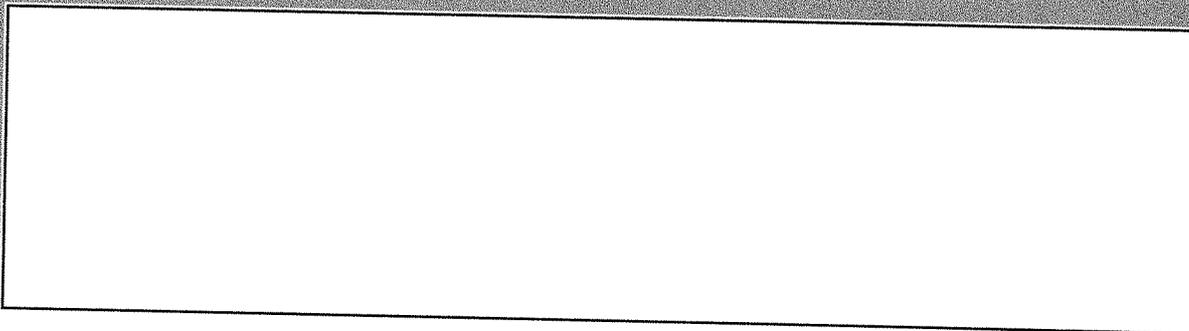
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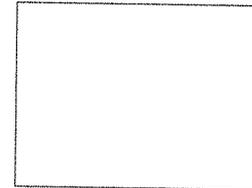
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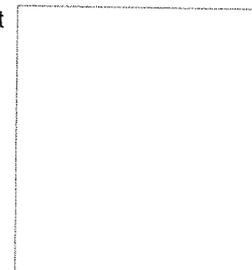


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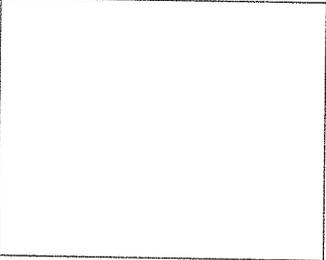
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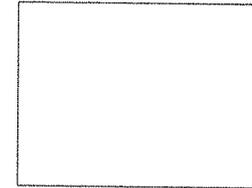
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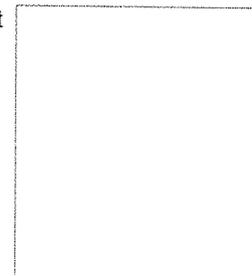


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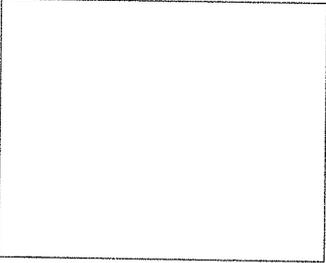
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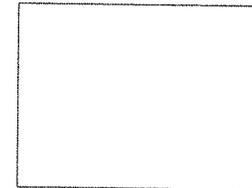
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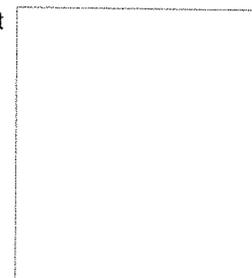


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- [Rain Barrel Rebate Program for Bridgewater, Somerville and Raritan Borough](#)
- [Rain Garden Rebate Program](#)
- [American Rivers Reports 2013 Dam Removals](#)
- [Summer Intern Positions with Raritan Headwaters Association](#)

- [ANJEC Produces Flood Preparation and Response Booklet](#)
- [Rutgers University Interns Partner with Middlesex County on Lower Raritan Greenway](#)
- [Days of Fun on Our Raritan River: Things to Do, Learn and Share on Our Riverfront](#)
- [Report Dumping in the Raritan River](#)
- [Raritan Collaborative Newsletter Next Deadline](#)

June 13 — Save the Date — 6th Annual Sustainable Raritan River Conference

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Conference. While still in the planning stages, this year's conference will focus on the intrinsic values our riparian system brings to communities, businesses, and residents (human and non-human alike) throughout the Raritan region as we explore the theme of Valuing Natural Capital and Ecosystems Services. In this full day conference we will meet local practitioners who are valuing natural capital and ecosystem services, learn how they are using such valuations in planning decisions, and discuss real-life examples of how to use these valuations to change ecological outcomes for our region.

We hope you will join us on June 13, 2014 at the Cook College Student Center in New Brunswick for this next step towards sustainability for the Raritan. Mark your calendars now and watch this newsletter and our [Website](#) and [Facebook](#) page for more information.

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Sustainable Raritan River Awards Nomination

Each year at our Annual Conference (see above notice), the Sustainable Raritan River Collaborative gives awards for outstanding achievement in efforts to revitalize our region, restore and protect our resources, and promote our area as a premiere place to live, work and raise a family.

Last year's recipients were North Jersey Resources Conservation and Development Council for public education, Somerset County Planning Board for government Innovation, Rutgers Cooperative Extension for stewardship, Raritan Headwaters Association for non-profit innovation, Ethicon for sustainability, Princeton HealthCare System for restoration and redevelopment, and New Jersey Water Supply Authority for leadership. A complete list of past recipients is on our [Website](#).

If you would like to nominate a person, group or organization that has gone above and beyond the call for a more Sustainable Raritan River, please contact either Michael Catania via email at mcatania@dukefarms.org or Bill Kibler at bkibler@raritanheadwaters.org.

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March 6 — Keep the Rain from the Drain Presentation

Dr. Christopher Obropta, Rutgers University, will discuss stormwater management at a joint meeting of the Lawrence Brook Watershed Partnership and the Milltown Green Team on Thursday, March 6 at 7:00 pm. "Keep the Rain from the Drain: With a Rain Barrel or a Rain Garden" will be the topic at Milltown Park View School, Media Center, 80 Violet Terrace, Milltown, NJ 08850. For further information visit the LBWP website at www.lbwp.org, call (732) 249-LBWP (5297), or e-mail contact@lbwp.org.

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March 8 — Trout Stocking Public Meeting



The NJDEP Division of Fish and Wildlife will be holding its annual Trout Stocking Public Meeting on Saturday, March 8, in the Centenary Theater (aka The Little Theater), located in the Seay Building, Centenary College, Jefferson Avenue, Hackettstown, Warren County. The meeting begins at 10 a.m.

Fisheries Pathologist Dr. Jan Lovy and Bureau of Freshwater Fisheries biologists will present information on the proposed policy (see below) regarding management of the bacterial disease furunculosis, which occurred this past fall at the [Pequest Trout Hatchery](#), as well as a proposal to alter Spring trout stocking in order to protect the state's trout resources.

This important meeting will have a comment period at the end of the program to provide opportunity for anglers to ask questions, voice their opinions, and give suggestions regarding the proposed changes for New Jersey's 2014 trout stocking program.

For more information on *furunculosis*, the 2014 Trout Stocking, proposed changes to the program, and to view the full Public Notice, go to the Division's [Website](#). The Division urges the public to comment on the proposed policy, and use of trout affected by furunculosis using the form linked [here](#).

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March 8 — Rock Snot Volunteers Needed