

Niantic River Watershed Committee

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Niantic River Watershed Coordinator's Report

September 5, 2019

Good evening,

Following is a summary of my activities since the August meeting.

Outreach/Education: The Connecticut Association of Conservation Districts hosted the annual Northeast Regional meeting of the National Association of Conservation Districts at Foxwoods Casino on Aug. 25-28. On Aug. 27th I gave a presentation on the activities of NRWC - *The Niantic River Watershed* – *Successful Partnerships for Coastal Watershed Management* and led a tour of Niantic stormwater BMPs. In late August, I was interviewed by a Nature Conservancy staffer for a short article in an upcoming TNC magazine about the Niantic River CBSM Behavior Change campaign. Waterford High School science teacher Diane Herr has reserved the Teacher WQ Loan Kit for an outing to Jordan Brook in early October.

Monitoring: I did not conduct any monitoring activities this past month.

NRWPP Update: I have been working on selecting locations for the watershed workshops. I finalized the invitation letter and survey and created a version of the survey on SurveyMonkey. Pending final selection of the locations, I will get the invitations out on Friday 9/6.

Grants: I've had no new grant opportunities to review.

Water Quality Improvement Projects:

• <u>East Lyme High School Infiltration Project (ECCD)</u>: The East Lyme High School stormwater infiltration practice was installed between Aug. 1st-8th.

Staff hours: In August, I worked approximately 29 hours on Niantic River Watershed Committee business and projects. Of that, about 18 hours were for core NRWC activities (administration, outreach and monitoring activities) and about 11 hours were applied to the Watershed Plan Update.

Respectfully submitted,

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