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	summer 2017
regional agencies	

Goal:	Maintain a Sustainable Coalition of Partners to Manage the Niantic River Watershed	4		
	<i>*create a coalition of watershed stakeholders to take a leadership role for the implementation of this plan</i>			
Activities:				
	Conduct regular meetings of the Niantic River Watershed Committee	H	NRWC, municipalities	meet monthly
	Support watershed coordinator position (including securing funding source)	H	NRWC, municipalities	monthly coord report
	Maintain 501c3 designation; incl. annual audits and reports	H	NRWC	meet annual reqts
	Recruit new Board and Subcommittee members; update/disseminate board handbook	H	NRWC, municipalities	on-going
	Create WBP Implementation Subcommittee to identify/pursue projects and funding	H	NRWC	
	Review/update Niantic River Watershed Protection Plan (NRWPP)	H	NRWC, partners	2017-2018
	Create, develop and pursue membership program to support organization/activities	M	NRWC	
	Identify funding sources to support work and projects	H	NRWC, municipalities, DEEP, EPA, land trusts, foundation	on-going
Goal:	Improve Water Quality and Biological Monitoring for the Niantic River and its Tributaries	5		
	<i>*establish a comprehensive long-term water quality monitoring program for the Niantic River watershed</i>			
Activities:				
	Conduct water quality monitoring in the Niantic River and tributaries	H	STR-STH, NRWC, Dominion, Waterford	on-going; episodic sampling begun
	Conduct review and analysis of previous studies (RFP)	H	NRWC, NR Nitrogen Work Group (J. Vaudrey)	2017 completion
	Maintain contact with researchers conducting research in the NRW, River and Bay	H	UConn- Avery Point, NRNWG, Others	on-going
	Support volunteer water quality monitoring efforts watershed-wide	M	NRWC, Partners	on-going
	Support pathogen bacteria sampling in Niantic River	L	STR-STH, Save the Sound Unified Water Study program	on-going
	Establish a repository for monitoring data	M	NRWC, Partners	on-going
	Conduct stream corridor assessments using NRCS streamwalk protocol	H	municipalities, NRWC	as needed
	Conduct macro-invertebrate assessments of streams using CT DEEP protocol	H	municipalities, CT DEEP	annual
	Update and distribute Water Quality report card	H	NRWC	annual distribution
	Support municipalities with MS-4 stormwater program requirements	M	NRWC, municipalities	as requested
	Establish a Latimer Brook stream gauge	H	NRWC, DEEP, USGS	
	Draft a report on water quality monitoring results	H	NRWC	2017

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Completed Activities			
Activity		Partner(s)	Status
Obtained grant funding awards to support programs and activities (319NPS, Dominion Foundation, Unilever, EPOC, America the Beautiful Urban Forestry grant)			2008 - present
Developed initial Board member Handbook			completed 2009
Educate land use decision makers about the value of vegetated riparian buffers in the protection of water quality		NRWC, CT SeaGrant	conducted workshops 2010
Developed NRWC mission statement and Committee bylaws			completed 2010
Established initial NRWC website (www.nianticriverwatershed.org)			completed 2010
Conduct riparian buffer workshops in conjunction with CT SeaGrant		NRWC, CT SeaGrant	completed 2011
Appoint representatives from watershed towns to board of directors		municipalities	completed 2011
Adoption Watershed Compact by municipalities		municipalities	completed 2011
Establish social marketing strategy to encourage residents to use water-friendly landscaping practices		NRWC, area nurseries and landscapers	completed 2011
Establish water quality teaching tools for watershed teachers		NRWC, watershed schools	completed 2011
Developed and hosted the first Niantic River State of the Watershed Forum			Conducted in 2011
Establish watershed-wide water quality monitoring program.		NRWC	Established 2012
Perform a Preliminary Biogeochemical assessment of the Niantic River Estuary Eutrophication Process to determine whether it has a deleterious effect on eelgrass and sea life in the Niantic River Estuary.		NRWC	completed 2012
Colony Road stormwater tree filter project (\$319 grant project)		Town of East Lyme, ECCD, DEEP	completed 2013
Conduct riparian buffer restoration at Clark Pond in East Lyme		NRWC East Lyme Friends of Oswegatchie Hill	completed 2012-2013
Install demonstration Coastal Riparian Vegetated Buffer at Mago Park, Waterford		NRWC Town of Waterford DEEP	completed 2014
Conduct stream corridor assessment of Latimer Brook		NRWC local volunteers	completed 2014
Pursue 501c3 tax exempt designation by US IRS, CT Secretary of State		NRWC, municipalities	completed 2015
First NRWC Awards (3) with award ceremony and media release			completed 2015
Obtain 501c3 tax exempt designation from US IRS and CT Secretary of State		NRWC	completed 2015
Niantic Stormwater Tree filter project (\$319 grant project), including informational signage		Town of East Lyme, ECCD, DEEP	completed 2016
Mago Point Stormwater Tree filter project (\$319 grant project), including informational signage		Town of Waterford, ECCD, DEEP	completed 2016
Submitted letter to Federal Rail Administration commenting on the NEC Tier 1 EIS			completed 2016
Submitted letter to East Lyme Zoning Commission regarding Os. Hills housing devel.			completed 2016
Participated in Stones Ranch-Camp Niantic Joint Land Use Study meetings			completed 2016
Participated in TNC Municipal Coastal Resiliency workshops			completed 2016
Complete first audit review of NRWC finances			completed 2016
Developed initial NRWC membership brochure			completed 2016
Participated in Organizational Training workshops - fundraising, nonprofit governance, etc.			2016 & 2017
Submitted letter(s) of support for New England Forest Foundation application for open space funding acquisition for Niantic Headwaters Preserve and Silver			2016 & 2017
Submitted letter of support for East Lyme Land Trust for open space grant application			2017
Complete 5 year monthly water quality monitoring program in Niantic River freshwater tributaries			completed mid 2017

* Based on Committee ranking conducted on 8-3-17 . Subject to periodic review and revision.

H - high priority activity M - medium priority activity L - low priority activity

