

# RIPPOWAM /MILL RIVER WATERSHED RESTORATION

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## A Community Vision for the Rippowam / Mill River Watershed



**Help make the river and watershed healthier and  
a better resource for the Stamford community!**

**November 12, 2009**

The City of Stamford and the Stamford Water Pollution Control Authority cordially invite you to a Community Workshop to discuss the health of the Rippowam/Mill River watershed, how to improve and protect it, and how to connect people to the river through education, programming, and more and better access.

**When: 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm, Thursday, November 12**  
**Where: Stamford Government Center, Senior Center**  
**888 Washington Blvd., 2nd Floor**

Project for Public Spaces, Inc and CDM are seeking your assistance in the restoration of the Rippowam/Mill River Watershed. We have been charged by the Stamford Water Pollution Control Authority to develop a realistic and cost-effective watershed management plan that will improve and sustain the river and watershed as both a natural resource and a public amenity. We are turning to you to ask for your help in determining community priorities for this important project.

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The City of Stamford envisions a vibrant and environmentally healthy river and watershed within its city boundaries. With the removal of the Mill River dam and the implementation of the Mill River Park and Greenway Master Plan, this dream is becoming a reality. This study is expanding the work being performed in the downtown area to the entire watershed within the city boundaries. We are developing an integrated approach to watershed management that will connect people to the river throughout the watershed and result in a comprehensive basin management plan with prioritized actions for implementation. Therefore, it is essential that our study reflect the community's desires for this important natural asset.

We invite you to join us in a community visioning meeting that will focus on the following:

- Community priorities and the goals for the river and watershed;
- Actions that citizens can take to improve the health of the river and watershed;
- Actions and priorities that will improve people's enjoyment and connection to the river.

This hands-on workshop will begin with a presentation on the initial findings of an extensive river and watershed monitoring program, followed by a discussion and brainstorming about priorities for watershed restoration, creating better connections to the river, and improving people's enjoyment of the river and watershed as valuable community resources.

The workshop will be facilitated by Project for Public Spaces, Inc. and CDM.

**To RSVP or ask questions, please contact** Elena Madison at 212-620-5660- x325, or email [emadison@pps.org](mailto:emadison@pps.org).

We encourage you to take this opportunity to contribute to this effort and join us on November 12. Refreshments will be served. We look forward to seeing you there!

Thank you!!

