

# Bridgewater NJ

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# “The Ocean is the River’s goal”

-M. Stipe

- \* Activities designed to engage residents to understand the effects on streams and rivers...and the ocean.
- \* Working with other organizations who have the same goals.
- \* Incorporate into ever aspect of Commission and Government activities...be consistent.



# Designation of Four River –Friendly Facilities Through NJ Water Supply Authority

- \* • Ethicon – (Johnson & Johnson)
- \* • Sanofi
- \* • New Jersey American Water
- \* • Green Knoll Golf Course (Somerset County Park Commission)
- \* • Highest Level of River-Friendly Facilities in Somerset County



# Participation in USEPA Water Sense “Fix A Leak Week”

- \* • Public Awareness Program through Township Water Wise program
- \* • Week long outreach in March of Each Year
- \* • 82 Residents Reported Participation in Fixing A Home Water Leak
- \* • Estimated Savings of Approximately 29,000 Gallons of Water Per Year



# Build A Rain Barrel Program

- \* • Through Partnership with the Raritan Basin Project and Rutgers Cooperative Extension
- \* • Construction and Installation of 88 Rain Barrels



# Storm Drain Marker Project

- ❑ Through Partnership with the Boy Scouts of America
- ❑ Installation of 1,500 Storm Drain Markers on Storm Water Inlets
- ❑ GPS Coordinates Recorded on All Inlets in Project Areas
- ❑ Inventory of Approximately 3,000 Storm Water Inlets in Township
- ❑ Township is 32 Square Miles



# Reusable Product Distribution

- \* • Distribution of 1200 Reusable Shopping Bags
- \* • Distribution of 400 Reusable Lunch Bags to Children
- \* • Distribution of 800 Reusable Aluminum and Stainless Steel Water Bottles



# Construction of LEED Certified Municipal Complex

- \* • Installation of Storm Water Cistern for Landscaping Irrigation
- \* • Storm Water Basins Landscaped with Native Vegetation





# Municipal Building



# Tree Preservation Initiative

- \* • Tree City USA Designation
- \* • Shade Tree Board
- \* • Distribution of 800 Tree Seedlings
- \* • Distribution of 60 2-3 Year Old Trees (Corporate Sponsorship)





# Stream and River Clean Ups

- \* Raritan Headwaters Annual Stream Clean Up



# Questions?

