

Since its founding in 1902,
the Passaic Valley
Sewerage Commission
has been working to clean
up the Passaic River
and Newark Bay.
Now we've launched our
most aggressive effort
ever, aimed at making
this great waterway again
the centerpiece
of commerce, recreation
and leisure
in the Passaic Valley.

PVSC's Passaic River/Newark Bay Restoration Program has been responsible for removing over 10,000 tons of debris from the Passaic River and its tributaries. **That's over 20,000,000 pounds of trash!!!**



PVSC Does the Heavy Lifting via "In-House" Cleanups

PVSC's River Restoration personnel carry out the kinds of jobs that necessitate the use of heavy equipment to remove such things as fallen trees, shopping carts, car parts, etc. These projects are undertaken upon request by municipal officials or concerned citizens and can be conducted on any waterway in the PVSC service area.



PVSC Eliminates Floating Debris

Two pontoon boats, one 50 ft. the other 37 ft., skim floating debris from the Passaic River. This material, which runs the gamut from plastic cups to tree trunks, is found in abundance after heavy rains or at high tide. Working in tandem, the larger boat plies the channels while the smaller vessel can operate closer to the riverbank and in the shallows further upriver.



PVSC Sponsors Volunteer Efforts

PVSC provides assistance with site selection, any and all cleanup supplies, tools, dumpsters and disposal fees to any volunteer group willing to carry out a water-related cleanup in our district. Since 1998 PVSC has sponsored over 850 individual cleanups along shorelines and in communities.





Before Restoration



Completed Restoration

GET INVOLVED!

**For assistance in organizing
a shoreline cleanup**

Phone: (973) 466-2714

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**PVSC has been presented with the
U.S. Environmental Protection
Agency's *Operations and Maintenance
Excellence Award* in the
Large Secondary Treatment Cate-
gory for the entire United States.**



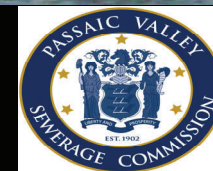
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