





# NEW JERSEY WATERSHED AMBASSADORS PROGRAM AN AMERICORPS PROGRAM

# HOSTED BY the NJ DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION OF WATER MONITORING, STANDARDS AND PESTICIDE CONTROL

The New Jersey Watershed Ambassadors Program is a community-oriented AmeriCorps program designed to raise awareness about water issues in New Jersey. The NJDEP began hosting this AmeriCorps program in 2000. AmeriCorps is a national service initiative. Through this program, Watershed Ambassadors are placed at local host sites in twenty (20) Watershed Management Areas (WMAs) from Sussex to Cape May counties to serve their local communities. Three (3) Source Water Protection (SWP) Ambassadors are placed in north, central, and south locations and will engage in outreach and education campaigns that will lead to the protection of drinking water sources. The program works with all sectors of society to improve the quality of New Jersey's waterways, nurturing community-based environmental activities and empowering residents to make responsible and informed decisions regarding their watershed. SWP Ambassadors will focus on increasing public knowledge and awareness of sources of drinking water, drinking water quality and water conservation.





# Watershed Ambassadors are available to provide FREE environmental education presentations to community organizations and schools.

These interactive presentations provide information about water issues in New Jersey. Watershed Ambassadors educate students and citizens about watersheds and encourage them to get involved in local stewardship actions such as picking up after pets, conserving water, installing rain gardens, or volunteering for a stream cleanup. Watershed Ambassadors also assess the local rivers and streams using both visual and biological assessment protocols. Through an online database, this assessment data is provided to the NJDEP and is also available to the public. For education specific to drinking water, drinking water quality, and water conservation, contact your region's **SWP Ambassador**.

For people interested in learning about their local streams, members are available to train local volunteers and students in these stream monitoring techniques, as well as other environmental stewardship initiatives. To schedule a presentation or to learn about environmental stewardship, please contact the New Jersey Watershed Ambassador listed for your area on the Member Information Page of this sheet!





For more information about the program, please contact **Amanda Baksa**, Program Director, at amanda.baksa@dep.nj.gov or (609) 777-1406

AmeriCorps NJ Watershed Ambassadors Program <a href="http://www.nj.gov/dep/wms/bears/americorps.htm">http://www.nj.gov/dep/wms/bears/americorps.htm</a>

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# AMERICORPS NJ WATERSHED AMBASSADOR PROGRAM 2023 – 2024 MEMBER INFORMATION

## WMA 1: Upper Delaware

#### **Currently Recruiting**

Musconetcong Watershed Association WMA1.NJWAP@gmail.com

#### WMA 2: Wallkill

#### **Currently Recruiting**

Sussex County Municipal Utilities Authority WMA2.NJWAP@gmail.com

# WMA 3: Pompton, Wanaque, Ramapo & Pequannock

#### **Currently Recruiting**

The New Weis Center for Education WMA3.NJWAP@gmail.com

# WMA 4: Lower Passaic & Saddle Currently Recruiting

Passaic Valley Sewerage Commission WMA4.NJWAP@gmail.com

# WMA 5: Hackensack & Pascack

**Currently Recruiting** 

Hackensack Riverkeeper and Liberty State Park WMA5.NJWAP@gmail.com

# WMA 6: Upper Passaic, Whippany & Rockaway

#### **Currently Recruiting**

Great Swamp Outdoor Education Center/ Morris County Park Commission WMA6.NJWAP@gmail.com

#### WMA 7: Arthur Kill

#### **Currently Recruiting**

Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Union County WMA7.NJWAP@gmail.com

#### WMA 8: North & South Raritan

#### **Currently Recruiting**

Raritan Headwaters Association WMA8.NJWAP@gmail.com

## WMA 9: Lower Raritan, South & Lawrence Rivers

### **Currently Recruiting**

NJ Water Supply Authority & Duke Farms WMA9.NJWAP@gmail.com

#### **WMA 10: Millstone**

#### **Currently Recruiting**

The Watershed Institute WMA10.NJWAP@gmail.com

#### **WMA 11: Central Delaware**

#### **Currently Recruiting**

Bull's Island Recreation Area/ Delaware & Raritan Canal State Park WMA11.NJWAP@gmail.com

# WMA 12: Monmouth Currently Recruiting

Monmouth County Planning Board WMA12.NJWAP@gmail.com

### WMA 13: Barnegat Bay

#### **Currently Recruiting**

Barnegat Bay Partnership WMA13.NJWAP@gmail.com

# WMA 14: Mullica

#### **Currently Recruiting**

Jacques Cousteau National Estuarine Research Reserve WMA14.NJWAP@gmail.com

# WMA 15: Great Egg Harbor Currently Recruiting

Atlantic County Utilities Authority WMA15.NJWAP@gmail.com

# WMA 16: Cape May Currently Recruiting

Cape May Point State Park WMA16.NJWAP@gmail.com

### WMA 17: Maurice, Salem & Cohansey

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#### **Cameron Shapiro**

The Authority - Cumberland County WMA17.NJWAP@gmail.com

## **WMA 18: Lower Delaware**

### **Currently Recruiting**

Camden County Municipal Utilities Authority & Palmyra Cove Nature Park WMA18.NJWAP@gmail.com

# WMA 19: Rancocas Currently Recruiting

Rancocas Conservancy & Pinelands Preservation Alliance WMA19.NJWAP@gmail.com

### WMA 20: Assiscunk, Crosswicks & Doctors

### **Currently Recruiting**

Mercer County Parks Commission/ Tulpehaking Nature Center WMA20.NJWAP@gmail.com

#### **Source Water Protection (SWP) Ambassadors**

#### **Currently Recruiting**

NJDEP Northern Water Enforcement Office NORTH.SWP.NJWAP@gmail.com

### **Currently Recruiting**

NJ Geological & Water Survey Office CENTRAL.SWP.NJWAP@gmail.com

#### **Currently Recruiting**

NJDEP Southern Water Enforcement Office SOUTH.SWP.NJWAP@gmail.com