

Wood-Pawcatuck Watershed Association

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Final Report re: Water Quality Monitoring in the Wood-Pawcatuck Watershed

As of March 28, 2015 WPWA staff has worked with URI Watershed Watch to identify the sites that we would like to monitor for the 2015 season. We have also helped to solicit volunteers for these sites. It was decided not to monitor some of the previous stream sites from last year.

Water quality monitoring started the week of May 18, 2015 at eleven (11) ponds and thirteen (13) river sites in the Wood-Pawcatuck Watershed. The sites are listed below. All the sites are monitored by WPWA volunteers.

2015 Water Quality Monitoring Sites in the Wood-Pawcatuck Watershed

Ponds: Alton Pond Barber Pond Boone Lake Glen Rock Res Meadowbrook Pond Locustville Pond Pasquisett Pond Watchaug Pond Wincheck Pond Worden Pond Yawgoo Pond *Rivers and Streams:* Chipuxet @ Rte 138 Glen Rock Bk Locke Brook Queen @ Mail Rd Pawcatuck River at Bradford Pawcatuck @ Biscuit City Rd Pawcatuck below Kenyon Industries Pawcatuck @ Rte 91 Pawcatuck @ Burdickville Rd Sherman Brook Shickasheen @ Rte 138 Usquepaugh @ Rte 2 White Brook Inlet

Each site costs approximately \$85 per month to monitor through the University of Rhode Island Cooperative Extension Watershed Watch Program. The fee covers volunteer training, monitoring equipment, laboratory expenses, and data management. The invoice for one month of water quality monitoring for twenty-four sites is \$2040. The RI Rivers Council grant of \$2000 was used to cover the monitoring bill for May, 2015. WPWA used fifteen (15) volunteers for this project.

WPWA will be conducting an audit of our water quality monitoring programs this summer and fall.

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