

City of Peekskill
Stormwater Management
Program
Public Education and Outreach
Questionnaire



The City of Peekskill is seeking information from residents and businesses with respect to their understanding of stormwater related issues in the community. In order to better understand what the City must do to inform residents and businesses, we ask that you complete the following short questionnaire and return it to us either electronically or in hard copy. Hard copies may be hand-delivered to the Department of City Services Office in City Hall or mailed to 840 Main Street, Peekskill, New York 10566.

Thank you for your support of Peekskill's continuing Stormwater Management efforts.

1. Do you recall receiving any educational materials, reading or hearing about stormwater/water quality in the last 12 months?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No (IF NO Skip to Question 2)

- 1.1 If ("YES"), what was the source of this material or information you received?
(Please check all that apply)

- ☐ City of Peekskill
☐ Hudson River Group
☐ County of Westchester
☐ New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
☐ Private / Professional Organization
☐ General Print Publication
☐ Other

- 1.2 What was the medium used to convey the information you received?

- ☐ daily newspaper
☐ cable TV advertising
☐ watershed roadside signage
☐ direct mailing / newsletter
☐ website/on-line information

2. Are you aware that the City has an individual assigned to address stormwater related issues?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

3. Have you participated in a clean-up event in the City in the last 12 months?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

4. Have you participated in a cleanup event of any kind as a member of a group?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

5. What do you see as the underlying cause(s) of pollution of our local streams, rivers and lakes?

- ☐ Lack of Education
☐ Pollution prevention cost
☐ Apathy
☐ Lack of enforcement
☐ Other

6. Would you consider adapting some of your daily activities to improve water quality if you learned of alternatives?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

7. Would you like to learn about the City's Stormwater Management Plan?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

8. If so, what type of outreach would be most beneficial? (check all that apply)

- ☐ Informational mailings (brochures and fact sheets)
☐ Public information meetings
☐ Information posted on City website
☐ Local Cable Channel
☐ Other

9. Which of the following educational topics would you find most useful?
(Check all that apply)

- ☐ Pet Waste
☐ Car Washing
☐ Low Impact Development (green roofs, porous pavement, rain gardens)
☐ Storm Drains
☐ Native Plants
☐ Maintaining Vehicles
☐ Yard Care (weed and feed, fertilizers, lawns, soils, watering)
☐ Chemical and Hazardous Waste Storage
☐ Wetland/Stream Maintenance
☐ Other

10. Would you be willing to participate in a City organized clean-up day along highways, streams and the City generally?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

11. Do you perform yard maintenance and lawn care yourself or contract out for the service?

- ☐ Perform myself
- ☐ Contract out

12. What is the disposition of your lawn clippings after you/your lawn care provider mow the lawn?

- ☐ Mulch them in place
- ☐ Collect and bag them for City collection
- ☐ Removed from yard by lawn care company
- ☐ Composted on property
- ☐ No responsibility, performed by landlord

13. What is the disposition of your fall leaves?

- ☐ Mulch them in place
- ☐ Collect and bag them for City collection
- ☐ Removed from yard by lawn care company
- ☐ Composted on property
- ☐ No responsibility, performed by landlord

14. Does our stormwater go through a cleaning process before reaching our streams, rivers and lakes?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Do not know

15. Have you heard of or attended a review of the draft annual Stormwater Management Report to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation typically held in April or May each year at City Hall?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Not aware of a draft annual Stormwater Report

16. If you have a septic tank for disposal of residential wastes, are you aware of the new regulations regarding inspecting and cleaning?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Do not have a septic tank, connected to municipal waste collection system

For further information on Stormwater Management, you may checkout the following websites:

<http://www.cityofpeekskill.com>

<http://www.epa.gov/ebtpages/water.html>, <http://www.cwp.org>

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8468.html>

http://planning.westchestergov.com/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=1182&Itemid=2131

For information on the City's Stormwater Management Program,
Contact David Rambo, Water & Sewer Superintendent at 914-734-4152