



Tri-State Connecticut River Watershed Initiative

The UVLSRPC has contracted with the Connecticut River Joint Commissions to assist with a Tri-State Connecticut River Targeted Watershed Initiative with several organizations in New Hampshire, Vermont, and Massachusetts. The project is funded by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and addresses significant water quality problems in the Connecticut River watershed: major bacterial pollution from combined sewer overflows (CSOs) and urban stormwater; extensive streambank erosion; threats to public water supplies; and nutrient loading from agricultural runoff. To address these problems in a coordinated, watershed-wide approach, the proposal is organized into four overall themes: improving main stem water quality and public use, innovative financing for stormwater recharge and CSOs, smart growth and low impact development, and innovative public outreach and participation.

The UVLSRPC will be working with the Town of Enfield and the City of Lebanon as focus areas for this project. Educational outreach to the region will be held including a workshop on May 20th for *Public Works and Water Quality* in Claremont at the Sugar River Valley Technical Center at 111 South Street from 6:30 – 8:30 pm.

A website is in the process of being developed for the watershed area under this project. Have a look at the site at <http://sites.google.com/site/ctriverwatershed/>