

Town of Ossining, New York Stormwater Management Program Public Education and Outreach Questionnaire

The Town of Ossining 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 Town must do to better 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 or mailed to the Town Supervisor's Office, 16 Croton Avenue, Ossining, New York 10562

Thank you for your support of the Town of Ossining's continuing Stormwater Management efforts.

Susanne Donnelly
Supervisor

To record your answer, highlight the shaded box next to your answer and hit the "X" key. The highlighted box will be replaced with an "X".

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)

- Town of Ossining
 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 Town has an individual assigned to address stormwater related issues?

- Yes
 No

3. Have you participated in a clean-up event in the Town 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 Town'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 Town 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 Town organized clean-up day along highways, streams and the Town 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 Town 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 Town 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 Town 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

Click once on the “ Submit” Button to forward your answers to Town Hall.

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

<http://www.townofossining.com>

[http://cfpub1.epa.gov/npdes/home.cfm?program_id=6,](http://cfpub1.epa.gov/npdes/home.cfm?program_id=6)

<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 further information on the Town’s Stormwater Management Program. Contact Supervisor Susanne Donnelly, Stormwater Coordinator at 914-762-6001 or e-mail at sdonnelly@townofossining.com

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