

## **Village of Port Chester, New York Stormwater Management Program Public Education and Outreach Questionnaire**

The Village of Port Chester 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 Village 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 to the Village Manager's Office in Village Hall or mailed to Christopher J. Russo, Village Manager, Village of Port Chester, 222 Grace Church Street, Port Chester, New York 10573.

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

Christopher J. Russo  
Village Manager

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)

- Village of Port Chester  
 Long Island Sound Groups  
 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 Village has an individual assigned to address stormwater related issues?

- Yes  
 No

3. Have you participated in a clean-up event in the Village 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 Village'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 Village organized clean-up day along highways, streams and the Village 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 Village 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 Village 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 Village 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.portchesterny.com/Pages/PortChesterNY\\_DPW/storm](http://www.portchesterny.com/Pages/PortChesterNY_DPW/storm)  
<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](http://planning.westchestergov.com/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=1182&Itemid=2131)

For information on the Village's Stormwater Management Program contact Christopher J. Russo, Village Manager at 914-939-2200.