The Nanticoke River Watershed Needs Your Help!

Top 10 Reasons to Protect the Nanticoke

10. Unspoiled, Rural Landscapes
9. Expansive Wetlands
8. Diverse Wildlife
7. Productive Fisheries
6. Rare Plants & Animals
5. Rich Native American History
4. Underground Railroad Conduit
3. Captain John Smith Voyage
2. Pristine Waterways for Boating, Canoeing & Kayaking
1. Hope for Recovery !!!

The Nanticoke celebrates the first documented capture of endangered Atlantic Sturgeon in more than 40 years!

Maryland Department of Natural Resources September 2014 photo of a recently discovered Atlantic Sturgeon in Marshyhope Creek, a tributary to the Nanticoke River.

The Nanticoke Watershed Alliance strives to protect the natural, cultural and recreational resources of the Nanticoke River.
The Nanticoke River:

⇒ is the most biologically diverse watershed on Delmarva.

⇒ contains the highest concentration of Bald Eagles in the Northeast.

⇒ features the northern-most, naturally occurring stands of Bald Cypress trees on the East coast.

A Treasured Resource

The Nanticoke River is one of the healthiest major rivers that drains into the Chesapeake Bay. This relatively pristine, rural landscape is home to over 250 rare plants and animals, provides extensive recreational opportunities, celebrates a rich cultural history, and more.

Despite a slight improvement in water quality, pollution issues and development pressures threaten its future health...

YOU can help protect this treasured resource!

Support the Nanticoke Watershed Alliance Today!

The Nanticoke Watershed Alliance is dedicated to preserving the quality and character of the Nanticoke River watershed through collaborative partnerships with local government, agriculture, industry, academics, and conservation groups.

Protection of natural, cultural, and recreational resources is achieved through:

- Education
- Outreach
- Water Quality Monitoring
- Restoration

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Education
In 2014, the NWA educated over 250 students and teachers through workshops, classroom presentations, field trips and action projects on watersheds, water quality, agriculture, soils, water conservation, and more.

Outreach
The NWA hosted homeowner and community workshops and outreach events on backyard conservation, such as rain gardens and rain barrels. Partner and community meetings facilitated constructive dialogue among diverse viewpoints and allowed collaboration of water quality protection ideas. In 2014, over 1,000 community members were reached.

Water Quality Monitoring
The 2014 season concluded the seventh year of the bi-state, award winning (MD & DE), EPA-approved Nanticoke Creekwatchers Citizen Volunteer Water Quality Monitoring Program.

Over 80 volunteers have monitored 36 sites biweekly from March through November for nitrogen, phosphorus, chlorophyll a, bacteria, dissolved oxygen and more. Annual report cards can be found at www.nanticokeriver.org

Restoration
Efforts included tree plantings, river clean ups, agricultural buffers, and more. Farmers installed 55 acres of grass buffers, and students and the community planted nearly 400 trees at Cherry Beach in Sharptown, MD.

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Nanticoke Watershed Alliance’s Core Values include:

Conservation  ◆  Collaboration  ◆  Communication  ◆  Scientific Integrity  ◆  Education