



# Cleanup Chronicle

18<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SOURCE TO SEA CLEANUP  
SEPTEMBER 26 & 27, 2014



## What is the Source to Sea Cleanup?

The Source to Sea Cleanup is a yearly trash cleanup of the Connecticut River and its tributaries in the four-state basin (NH, VT, MA, CT). Volunteer group leaders coordinate local cleanup sites where participants of all ages and abilities spend a few hours picking up trash. We all have a responsibility to solve this trash problem—individuals, manufacturers, businesses, and government. By participating in the Source to Sea Cleanup, you are part of the solution for cleaner rivers. For more information on the Source to Sea Cleanup and how you can get involved, visit [www.ctriver.org/cleanup](http://www.ctriver.org/cleanup).

## Your local work has global impact

Much of the trash and debris you find during the Cleanup is destined for our oceans. Did you know that plastic has become one of the most common pollutants in our oceans? According to Charles J. Moore, founder of the Algalita Marine Research and Education Institute in California, the large floating plastic garbage patches cover “as much as 40% of the planet’s ocean surface—roughly 25% of the entire earth.” Those numbers are both astonishing and really sad.

But your hard work proves that all hope is not lost. By participating in the Source to Sea Cleanup, you are making our corner of the planet just that much cleaner. Over time, **Cleanup volunteers have removed 897 tons of trash** from in and around our rivers, keeping it from adding to the global trash problem.

Even better news: Many of you are reporting that your sites are remaining cleaner throughout the year. To help keep things clean, we are making signs you can post at your cleanup sites to discourage trash dumping/littering. Sign up early to receive one of these free signs: email [cleanup@ctriver.org](mailto:cleanup@ctriver.org). Supplies are limited.

**Thank you for all that you do for our rivers.**



The Source to Sea Cleanup is a family-friendly event and a great way to practice environmental stewardship.

KRISTIN FREDERICKSEN

### TRASH TALLY 2014

Hardworking Source to Sea Cleanup groups haul so much trash from in and around our rivers and streams that it is impossible to account for everything. Actual numbers/weights are likely much higher than listed here.

Item	Quantity Reported
Scrap metal	17,008 lbs. including 62 shopping carts
Construction materials	2,252 lbs. carpet, 57 paint cans, 30 bricks
Styrofoam	968 lbs.
Pharmaceuticals & personal care	70 diapers, 17 needles, 30 pill bottles
Mattresses	30
Automotive	17 oil containers, 3 hub caps, 2 axles, 2 oil filters, alternator, battery, bumper, car roof, grill, headlight, 5 bikes, 2 snow blowers
Electronics & appliances	13 TVs, 8 speakers, 4 radios/stereos, 3 monitors, microwave, dishwasher, washing machine, refrigerator, hot tub, circuit board, mixing board
Furniture	12 chairs, 6 couches, 3 toilets, 2 tables, dresser, kitchen cabinet



### SAVE THE DATES:

19th Annual Source to Sea Cleanup  
September 25 & 26, 2015



## UPPER WATERS

### New Hampshire & Vermont –

47+ miles of riverbanks, shoreline, islands and trails cleaned

### A dangerous eyesore no more

In Surry, NH a volunteer crew from Cold River Materials (a division of LANE Construction) removed a washed out bridge from the Ashuelot River at the site of a local swimming area known as “The Current.” The crew pulled the 110 foot long steel bridge from the east shore of the river, cut it up into 10 foot sections with torches, loaded the cut up sections into trucks and hauled it away. Cold River Materials' trucks took the metal to a scrap metal dealer with all the proceeds donated to the Fall Mountain Food Shelf. “As the work finished, a young woman came fishing down the stream and caught a fish right in the area where we had been working,” said Fred Aldrich Plant Manager at Cold River Materials. “Seeing her catch fish reminded us of what the work was all about.”



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TRANSCANADA



ROY SCHIFF

### TransCanada working for our rivers

Twenty TransCanada Hydropower NE employees from VT, MA and NH joined the Source to Sea Cleanup this year. The group split up and collected 800 pounds of trash from Herricks Cove, a popular birding, boating, fishing and picnic spot in Rockingham, VT, and at boat launches in Walpole and Charlestown, NH. TransCanada also kept river flows low below their Wilder Dam prior to the Cleanup, which helped cleanup groups in Sumner Falls find and remove more trash than usual, including 96 tires.

While CRWC and TransCanada may debate issues in the current relicensing of Wilder, Bellows Falls and Vernon hydropower dams, we also work cooperatively on projects like the Cleanup and serving as administrators of the 15-Mile Falls Mitigation and Enhancement Fund. The Fund is a 12-member advisory committee that finances projects to improve the river and communities in the upper river valley.

*Top:* Cold River Materials, Ashuelot River, NH; *Middle:* TransCanada employees; *Bottom:* Milone & MacBroom employees clean up near the recent CRWC dam removal site on the Wells River in Groton, VT.

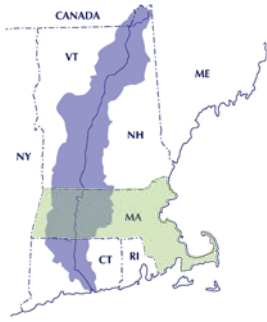
### PARTICIPATING GROUPS

Ashuelot River Local Advisory Committee  
 Bellows Falls Middle School  
 Black River Action Team  
 Change the World Kids  
 Cheshire County Conservation District  
 City of Keene  
 Cold River Materials Walpole  
 Connecticut River Watershed Council staff,  
 board, trustees, friends  
 Fairlee Marine  
 Greater Upper Valley Trout Unlimited  
 Hypertherm\*

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 Keene HS AP Env. Science  
 Keene State College  
 King Arthur Flour\*  
 Kotz Family  
 Lancaster School  
 LANE Construction Corporation  
 Lyme School  
 Milone & MacBroom, Inc.\*  
 Moosewood Ecological  
 NorthStar Canoes & Kayak Rentals  
 Ottauquechee River Group

Putney Rowing Club  
 Rockingham VT Conservation Commission  
 Southeastern VT Watershed Alliance  
 Strafford -West Branch Ompomp  
 TransCanada\*  
 Trashy Trippers  
 Vermont Law School  
 Weathersfield Greenup Assoc.  
 White River Partnership  
 Other fantastic family & individual  
 volunteers

\*Source to Sea sponsor cleanup groups



# MID-WATERS

**Massachusetts –**  
56+ miles of riverbanks, shoreline, islands and trails cleaned

## Bottle dump cleaned up

At the Pioneer Valley Riverfront Club in Springfield, MA volunteers from Covanta Energy, United Water, local Boy Scouts, and community members joined forces

to clear litter from the river bank and bike path at North Riverfront Park. It only took a few hours to fill a large dumpster with 1.56 tons of trash. Debris included a mattress, four shopping carts, six tires, a couple hundred pounds of scrap metal and hundreds of plastic bottles.

You can see in the photos to the right that hundreds of non-redeemable, single-use plastic bottles were found in a single dump location not far from the river. While river levels were low during the Cleanup, heavy rains or a flood could easily have washed these bottles downstream. Christopher Sotiropoulos (pictured) was proud to be part of the team that accomplished cleaning up the bottle dump.



JIM SOTIROPOULOS



MELISSA OCANA

Top & Bottom: Christopher Sotiropoulos, Pioneer Valley Riverfront Club in Springfield; Left: Unitarian Universalist Society of Amherst

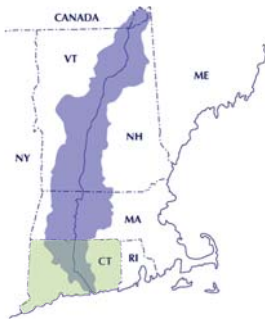
## PARTICIPATING GROUPS

2nd Congregational Church  
Amherst RHS Environmental Action Club  
Baystate Village Association  
Boy Scouts of America Troop 32  
Boy Scouts of America Troop 49  
Deborah Bazer  
Carando Foods  
Coca-Cola Company\*  
Connecticut River Watershed Council staff, board, trustees, friends  
Covanta Springfield\*  
Cub Scout Pack 192  
Deerfield Academy  
DRWA Friends of the Green River Chapter  
Eaglebrook School  
FirstLight Power  
Four Rivers Charter School  
Franklin County Sheriff's Dept.  
Franklin County Solid Waste Management District

Franklin County Technical School  
Franklin/Hampshire Trial Court Community Service Program  
Friends of Great Falls Discovery Center  
Gill Montague Super Group  
Greenfield HS - 8th Grade Academy, Key Club, Env. Science Club  
Greenfield Middle School 8th grade  
Green River House  
Hampshire County Sheriff's Dept.  
Haydenville Congregational Church Youth Group  
Holyoke Community College Environmental Science Club  
Holyoke Rows  
Jewish Community of Amherst  
Lake Wallace  
LANE Construction Corporation  
MA Department of Conservation & Rec.  
Northfield Elementary School, 5th Grade

Northfield Mount Hermon School Outdoor Team  
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US Fish & Wildlife Service  
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Other fantastic family & individual volunteers

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## LOWER WATERS

### Connecticut -

36+ miles of riverbanks, shoreline, islands and trails cleaned

### Giving Back and Building Community

"The more trash I picked up, the better I felt," said Kenny, a member of the staff and resident

team from Connecticut Valley Hospital (CVH) in Middletown, CT. Volunteering is part of the hospital's Citizenship Project, which helps people in recovery from mental illness and addictions to create a healing community.

"I never really did any volunteer work," said Chris, a person in recovery at CVH. "It was a good feeling. You feel in unison with your environment." Helene Vartellas, the hospital's CEO, is enthusiastic about the program, "We feel really excited about the skills people gain. They want to give back to the community and be a part. And on the macro level, it can change stigma and discrimination against people with addictions and mental illness."



Above: Connecticut Valley Hospital staff & residents joined the City of Middletown's city-wide cleanup; Right: **Photo contest WINNER** - "Watching 'trashy' tv in our 'trashy' living room" on a couch made of tires. CT DEEP Marine Fisheries & the Coast Guard Auxiliary in Old Lyme, CT.



RENEE ST. AMAND

### Last stop before the Sound

At this year's southernmost cleanup in Old Lyme, CT, DEEP Marine Fisheries, the Coast Guard Auxiliary 25-05 and community volunteers in waders spanned the marshes near the river's mouth. They removed trash that washed down from the 400+ miles above them, including dozens of plastic bottles, hundreds of Styrofoam pieces, televisions and tires. The trash here tells a story of what we leave behind and exemplifies the saying: We all live downstream.

"It is gratifying that so many people come together to help," notes Deb Pacileo of the Coast Guard Auxiliary. "The amount of trash in the marsh is almost too overwhelming to deal with - until you think of all the other volunteers up & down the Connecticut River on the same day, working as hard as you are to heft tires from the muck and lug bag after bag of bottles & cans out of the marsh. Then you realize that you are part of something bigger and that you are making a difference."

### PARTICIPATING GROUPS

All American Waste\*  
James Arrigoni  
Beat Bike Blog  
Boy Scout Troop 263  
Chase Collegiate School  
Clean, Clear and Free Flowing  
CME Associates  
Connecticut River Gateway Commission\*  
Connecticut River Academy at Goodwin College  
Connecticut River Watershed Council staff, board, trustees, friends  
Connecticut Valley Hospital  
Cromwell High School ECO Club  
CT DEEP Parks  
CT DEEP Marine Fisheries  
East Hartford Hockanum River Commission  
Enfield Conservation Commission  
Essex Land Trust  
Farmington River Watershed Association

Friends of the Windsor Locks Canal  
GEI Consultants\*  
Goodwin College Environmental Studies  
Great Meadows Conservation Trust  
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Lyme Land Conservation Trust  
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Scantic River Watershed Association  
South Windsor High School Environmental Club  
St Pius X Youth group  
Suffield High School Interact Club  
The Metropolitan District (MDC)\*  
Two Rivers Magnet High School  
UIL Holdings Corporation\*  
University of Connecticut  
USA Hauling\*  
USCG AUX Flotilla 25-05  
US Fish & Wildlife Service  
Windsor Locks Conservation Commission  
Other fantastic family & individual volunteers

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US Fish & Wildlife Service assisted the Cleanup this year with the use of a variety of boats.

### US Fish & Wildlife Service fleet joins the Cleanup

There is always a great deal of cleanup work to be done by walking along streams and riverbanks but many trashed locations are only accessible by boat. Whether it is islands that have decades of debris piled up, trash sites at the bottom of steep riverbanks or a river bottom that has accumulated tires and junk, boats really help get more work done. While the Cleanup has always had a great collection of canoes, kayaks, and pontoon boats out on the water, this year the US Fish & Wildlife Service really pulled out the stops by steaming to sites in Connecticut and Massachusetts in a wide range of watercraft.

Staff from the Silvio O. Conte National Fish & Wildlife Refuge, whose boundaries are the entire Connecticut River basin, used their airboat, a heavy-duty john boat, several skiffs and a landing craft to remove tons of trash from Third Island in Deerfield, MA, along the banks of the Connecticut River in Holyoke and Chicopee, MA, and along Wethersfield Cove



shoreline in Connecticut. To round out the fleet, Ken Sprankle, who is in charge of the USFWS's fisheries restoration program in the Connecticut River watershed, brought his electrofishing research boat down to Wethersfield Cove to offer a second day of boat work in Connecticut.

The airboat is a fast boat able to cover a lot of river and navigate very shallow water, a common thing this time of year, as well as haul a lot of large trash. It did hard work hauling shopping carts, tires, newspaper boxes, and other litter in Holyoke and Chicopee, MA. The landing craft, usually stationed along the coast in order to access the several islands in the Refuge, steamed 40 miles upriver to Wethersfield, CT and was instrumental in moving almost 15 cubic yards of trash and debris from the shores of the Cove. It made a huge dent in the decades of trash piled up along the far and inaccessible side of the Cove. Big thanks to our friends at the US Fish & Wildlife Service!

**Special thanks to the many municipalities** that assist local cleanup efforts. There are so many helpful cities and towns out there that it's impossible to list them all. Did we miss your town? Be sure to let us know next year on your registration form that your town helps.

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| Agawam, MA DPW        | Lyme, NH              |
| Cromwell, CT          | Middletown, CT DPW    |
| Deerfield, MA DPW     | Montague, MA DPW      |
| Easthampton, MA DPW   | Northampton, MA DPW   |
| East Hartford, CT DPW | Northumberland, NH    |
| Enfield, CT           | Plainfield, NH        |
| Greenfield, MA DPW    | Rocky Hill, CT        |
| Groton, VT            | Springfield, MA       |
| Hanover, NH DPW       | Strafford, VT         |
| Hartford, CT          | Suffield, CT          |
| Hartford, VT          | West Hartford, CT DPW |
| Hartland, VT          | Wethersfield, CT      |
| Holyoke, MA DPW       | Windsor Locks, CT     |
| Keene, NH             |                       |

### UNUSUAL ITEMS FOUND

- **Old horse collar** – Lyme, NH
- **Manhole cover** – Woodstock, VT
- **Football tackling dummies** – Springfield, VT
- **Sound mixing board** – Holyoke, MA
- **Newspaper vending box** – Chicopee, MA
- **Library card from Hawaii State Library System** – E. Hartford, CT
- **Message in a bottle** – E. Hartford, CT
- **Steel piano frame** – Glastonbury, CT

### CLEANUP HALL OF FAME

Many thanks to those organizations who have been so loyal to the effort of clean rivers.

- Hockanum River Linear Park Cmte. – **45 years**
- Farmington River Watershed Assoc. – **27 years**
- Gill-Montague Super Group – **18 years**
- Pequabuck River Watershed Assoc. – **17 years**
- White River Partnership – **15+ years**
- Black River Action Team – **15 years**
- Rocky Hill High School Lend a Paw Day – **15 years**
- Westfield River Watershed Assoc. – **15 years**

- The Metropolitan District (MDC) – **14 years**
- Windsor Locks Conservation Comm. – **14 years**
- Scantic River Watershed Assoc. – **14 years**
- Green River Cleanup – **11 years**
- Chase Collegiate School – **10 years**
- The Lyme School – **10 years**
- LANE Construction – **9 years**
- Park Watershed – **9 years**



# Thank you for supporting the 2014 Source to Sea Cleanup!

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All American Waste and USA Hauling & Recycling are locally-owned and operated companies specializing in dumpster rentals for use in commercial or residential projects, garbage collection and demolition services in the Connecticut and Springfield, MA area. As green companies since 1974, we recognize and embrace our role in the community.

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 Passionate Waters, Middletown, CT –  
 World Water Day Celebration

## IN-KIND SUPPORTERS

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 Adventure Park at the Discovery Museum  
 Aerial Adventure Park At Jiminy Peak  
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 American Rivers  
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MDC



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Top: US Fish & Wildlife Service mascot Puddles, the blue goose, joined the Wethersfield Cove, CT cleanup partnership.  
 Bottom: Five boat loads of trash including 50 tires were removed from Third Island in MA.

Individuals like you have helped to transform the Connecticut River from "the best landscaped sewer in the nation" into a nationally-recognized treasure. Since our founding in 1952, CRWC members have come together to form a powerful force for positive environmental change in New England.

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- Opportunity to vote for CRWC Trustees
- CRWC decal
- Access to CRWC's research library

And most important.....The satisfaction of knowing that you are making a contribution to the present and future health and vitality of a most precious natural resource.

# Together we are the solution to pollution

GREG BERRY



This year 745 tires were collected during the Cleanup.

Wouldn't it be nice if there were no trash in or near our waters? At CRWC, we envision waters that are full of life and free from waste. By participating in the Source to Sea Cleanup, you are part of

the solution for cleaner rivers. Data about the trash you collect during the Cleanup will be used to advocate for and to help inform trash disposal and recycling policies and legislation. Given what's found in our rivers every year, CRWC would like to see existing bottle bills be expanded to include all single-use beverage containers, banning or establishing pay-per-use plastic bags and legislation allowing for free tire disposal in all four Connecticut River states. Our goal is to keep this trash from getting in our rivers in the first place.

The Council also supports a new vision of zero waste for our rivers and river communities. Zero waste is a goal of a future free from waste. It is a concept being adopted by cities around the world, including Middletown, CT right on the Connecticut River. Zero waste aims for all discarded materials to become resources for another use. A zero waste community encourages individuals, businesses, and government agencies to take concrete steps towards rethinking how they treat their trash. Initiatives such as increasing access and ease of curb side recycling, expanding existing recycling efforts to process all varieties of materials, and extending the responsibility of recycling to manufacturers are essential to the success of zero waste programs.



“We all have a responsibility to solve this problem—individuals, manufacturers, businesses, and government,” says Andrew Fisk, CRWC Executive Director. “Healthy rivers are so important because they contribute so much, both to our economies and the beauty and enjoyment of our communities.” Your voices are valuable in the effort to address trash in our rivers before it gets there. Tell your city leaders you want to be a zero waste community that works toward a future without waste.

CRWC works to protect the watershed from source to sea. As stewards of this heritage, we celebrate our four-state treasure and collaborate, educate, organize, restore and intervene to preserve the health of the whole for generations to come. Our work informs our vision of ecological and economic abundance.

We welcome your involvement in this effort to protect the Connecticut River. Visit our website, [www.ctriver.org](http://www.ctriver.org), to learn more and sign up for our e-news or contact the office in your region to learn more about what's happening near you.

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## River Art: Making Art from Collected Trash

In January a call will go out for River Art - a juried exhibit of art made from river trash. Selected works from the Jury will be on view at the Great Falls Discovery Center in Turners Falls, MA during April and May of 2015. Interested artists can email Annaliese Bischoff at [abischof@larp.umass.edu](mailto:abischof@larp.umass.edu) to receive future announcements and details in January.

This exhibit is part of the River's Song Project celebrations on May 16, 2015 – the Asian Arts and Culture Program at University of Massachusetts Amherst celebrating the vital waters of the Connecticut River. Presented in conjunction with the Nile Project at UMass Amherst on April 7, 2015.