TTF Watershed Project

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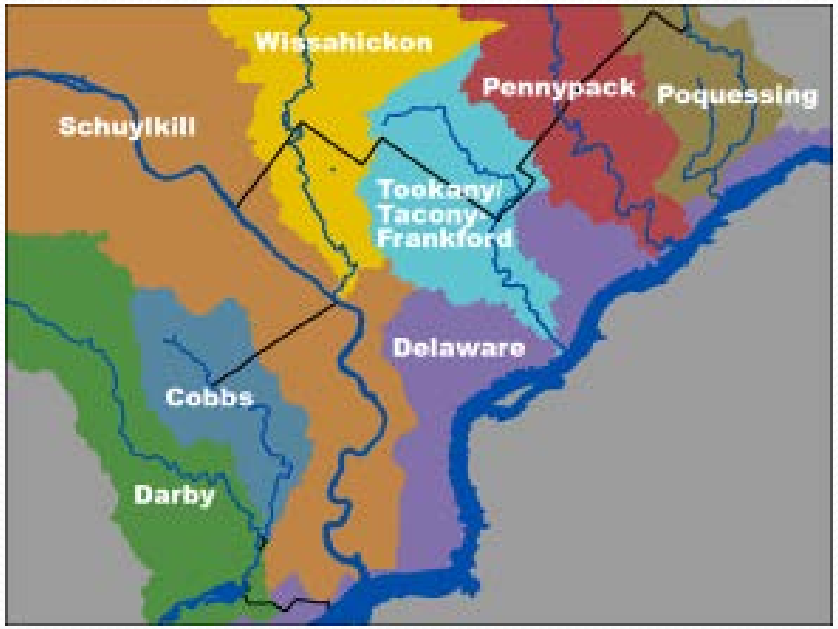
Tookany-Tacony Creek Stream Restoration

- http://vimeo.com/69892524

Watersheds in Philly

- What is a watershed?
- 7 main watersheds
  - Delaware Direct
  - Schuylkill
  - Pennypack
  - Tookany/Tacony-Frankford
  - Darby-Cobbs
  - Poquessing
  - Wissahickon



Tookany/Tacony-Frankford Watershed

- Drains 29 square miles
- 32 miles of stream
- Made up of 5 main counties/municipalities
  - Abington, Cheltenham, Jenkintown, Rockledge, Springfield

Current Issues with TTF Watershed

- Poor stream appearance due to trash, dumping, & odors
- Lack of healthy river banks
- Impaired wetlands
- Erosion, sediment accumulation
- Poor instream habitat & biological impairment
- Water quality concerns

Combating the Issues - PWD

- Tookany/Tacony Frankford Watershed Partnership
- Wetlands assessment
- Rivers conservation plan
- Water quality data

Tookany/Tacony Frankford Watershed Partnership

- Mission
- Current efforts
- Current Projects
  - Tacony Creek Park
  - Riparian Buffers
  - Rain Gardens

3 Project Subgroups

- Grant
- Community resources
- City agency resource directory

Combating Litter

- Trash Trap
  - Where it's been used before
  - Cost
  - Money saved

Grants

- Free Library of Philadelphia
- Wrote draft for future grant
- Researched organizations & programs that would maintain litter trap

Community Resources

- Developed community resource directory
- Research
- Attended EPIC
- Newspaper publication
- Attended block parties
- Compiled list of potential community partners

City Agency Resource Directory

- Researched city agencies & organizations
- Called various departments & programs
- Database & flowchart

How to get involved

- Purchase & install rain barrels
- Plant trees & native plants along watershed
- Encourage local universities/schools to get involved
- Volunteer opportunities
- Trash clean up
- Block parties

How to learn more

- Tookany/Tacony-Frankford Watershed Partnership http://ttfwatershed.org
- TTF Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/pages/TookanyTacony-Frankford-TTF-Watershed-Partnership/163700819052?ref=br_tf
- Philadelphia Water Department http://www.phillywatersheds.org/