## Town of New Castle Stormwater Management Program Public Education and Outreach Questionnaire

The Town of New Castle is seeking information from residents and businesses with respect to their understanding of stormwater related issues in the community. In order to 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 to the receptionist desk on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of Town Hall or mailed to Janice Friend, Town of New Castle, 200 South Greeley Avenue, Chappaqua, New York 10514.

Thank you for your support of New Castle's continuing Stormwater Management efforts.

Robert J. Greenstein Supervisor

If you would like to submit this <u>electronically</u>, please go the Stormwater Questionnaire on the Town's Website at: <a href="http://www.mynewcastle.org">http://www.mynewcastle.org</a>

To record your answer, fill-in the box next to your answer with an "X". 1. Do you recall receiving any educational materials, reading or hearing about stormwater/water quality in the last 12 months? T 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 New Castle New York City Department of Environmental Protection 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 Are you aware that the Town has an individual assigned to address stormwater related issues? ☐ Yes No Have you participated in a clean-up event in the Town in the last 12 months? ☐ Yes □ No Would you be willing to participate in a Town organized clean-up day along highways, streams and the Town generally? Yes 5. What do you see as the underlying cause(s) of pollution of our local streams, rivers and lakes? Lack of Education Costs associated with pollution prevention 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) ☐ Information posted on Town website ☐ Other	Public information meetings Local Cable Channel
<ol> <li>Which of the following educational topics would you fir (Check all that apply)</li> </ol>	nd most useful?
☐ Pet Waste ☐ Low Impact Development (green roofs, porous pavents) ☐ Storm Drains ☐ Maintaining Vehicles ☐ Yard Care (weed and feed, fertilizers, lawns, soils, well and Stream Maintenance)	<ul><li>☐ Native Plants</li><li>☐ Chemical and Hazardous Waste Storage</li></ul>
10. Do you perform yard maintenance and lawn care yourself or contract out for the service?	
Perform myself	Contract out
11. What is the disposition of your lawn clippings after you/your lawn care provider mows the lawn?	
☐ Mulch them in place ☐ Removed from yard by lawn care company ☐ No responsibility, performed by landlord	Collect and bag them for Town collection Composted on property
12. What is the disposition of your fall leaves?	
<ul> <li>☐ Mulch them in place</li> <li>☐ Removed from yard by lawn care company</li> <li>☐ No responsibility, performed by landlord</li> </ul>	Collect and bag them for Town collection Composted on property
14. Does our stormwater go through a cleaning process before reaching our streams, rivers and lakes?	
☐ Yes ☐ Do not know	□ No
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 Not aware of a draft annual Stormwater Report	□ No
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, are connected to municipal waste collection system (Town or County Sewer)	
For further information on Stormwater Management, checkout the following websites:	
http://www.mynewcastle.org, http://www.epa.gov/oaintrnt/stormwater/, http://www.cwp.org http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8468.html http://planning.westchestergov.com/environment/stormwater.management	

For information on the Town's Stormwater Management Program, call 914-238-4723