

Kingwood Township Environmental Commission 2015 Objectives

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Provide assistance to the Township Committee, Planning Bd. Etc.

- * environmental issues related to proposed pipeline.
- * ordinances related to environmental concerns as needed.
- * updates on new environmental information and environmental regulations.

Open Space/Parks & Recreation

- * Meadow Restoration and Habitat Enhancement in Horseshoe Bend Park (Holden Grant from Washington Crossing Audubon Society: \$3,420)
- * Maintain Native Plant Rain Garden at Kingwood Park.
- * Stewardship of Kugler Woods property (owned by NJDEP).
- * Work with the Open Space Committee and Parks & Recreation Committee on the following:
 - * Work towards managing fields at Horseshoe Bend Park to benefit rare and threatened birds and butterflies.
 - * Trail planning, building, improvement and maintenance projects.
 - * Evaluate & remove invasive species on Township-owned properties.
 - ▲ Encourage the use of native trees & plants on Township-owned properties (& prohibit invasives).

Outreach/Education

- * Comment to FERC, DRBC and others on environmental impacts of proposed pipeline.
- * Assist property owners in pipeline route identify and protect environmental resources.
- * Expand public environmental education and outreach, including the Kingwood Township website, Kingwood Community Day; including required stormwater education points and other topics.
- * Sponsor speakers on environmental topics at EC meetings.
- * Continue to cultivate working relationship with community organizations for conservation projects such as roadside cleanups and recycling day assistance.

Recycling

- * Provide outreach & education about recycling, including flyers and the web site.
- * Provide volunteers for Saturday morning hours.

Site Plan Review

Summarize and present information to the Planning Board concerning environmental features on sites proposed for development.

Surface Water

Cooperate with NJWSA and support implementation projects for Lockatong and Wickecheoke Watersheds Restoration and Protection Plan (stormwater control implementation and assessment).

Sustainability

Assist Sustainability Team to complete steps for Kingwood to achieve Sustainable Jersey Certification.

Ground Water

Coordinate well testing and septic pumping during community day.

Meetings/Courses

Participate in regional group meetings, including SWAC, Lockatong/Wickecheoke Committee and possibly others. Share information about meetings & courses of interest. EC member will attend when possible & appropriate.