

**HIGH LIGHTS OF THE BPIA WATERSHED  
COMMITTEE MEETINGS  
From July 2000 to the present**

**2000**

- July 21**      **Committee formed:**
- | <b>BPIA MEMBERS</b>       | <b>STATE/ COUNTY REPS</b>    |
|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>Dick Bray Chairman</b> | <b>Jeff Stern OCSWC*</b>     |
| <b>Mary Wallace Pres.</b> | <b>Wendy Garland CCSWC**</b> |
| <b>Bev Murphy</b>         | <b>Karen Hahmel DEP</b>      |
| <b>Barry Therrien</b>     | <b>Laura Bold AMERICORPS</b> |
| <b>Moe LeClerc</b>        |                              |
| <b>Ken Holt Alternate</b> |                              |
- August**      **Hartford and Turner Tax maps were matched to address labels of property owners in the watershed for the mailing and also will be used during the survey walk.**
- Aug. 28**      **Committee meeting: Press releases prepared  
Letter to land owners, approved for mailing  
Training for volunteers, set for Spring 2001**
- Sept. 8**      **Letters mailed to 325 landowners.**
- Oct. 11**      **Committee meeting, members walked the area checking some of the problems and also new construction.**
- 2001**
- Feb.7**      **Committee meeting, dates were set, in preparation for the survey walk  
March 9 committee members  
March 31 volunteer training and walk  
April 7 alternate date**
- March**      **Three meetings were canceled due to snowstorms. All volunteers were called and informed of the date change to April 7 for the training and walk.**
- March 30**      **Committee meeting, members agreed there is no way there could be a walk on April 7<sup>th</sup> with the amount of snow on the ground, The date was set for May 12<sup>th</sup>, all volunteers were called again and informed of the change. This made it impossible to meet the deadline for this funding.**

- May12** Volunteer training was held at the Hartford Town Office from 9am to 11am. The watershed was broken up into 6 sections and assigned to volunteer groups with a State or County Rep. leader in each. After lunch the groups started the field work, taking pictures of the problems and filling out reports.  
IT WAS A VERY HOT DAY.....88 DEGREES.
- July 13** All 6 sections of the walk are completed and paper work given to Jeff Stern
- Dec. 10** Committee meeting, 170 problems were identified in the watershed.

## 2002

- Jan 17** Committee meeting first draft of the report was checked.
- Feb.14** Committee meeting, the report was approved, copies will be given to the towns of Hartford and Turner. We will be applying for a different Grant.
- April 19** Committee meeting, letters of support from Hartford, Turner, BPIA and Pratt Hill Rd Assoc. will be needed for the application proposal, June 4<sup>th</sup> is the deadline for the 319 Fund.
- May 7** Signed support letters were dropped off at Jeff Stern's office in Norway.
- May 13** Copies of the draft proposal were given to each committee member for approval.
- May 16** Draft proposal approved by each committee member.
- June 5** Proposal sent to Augusta.
- Aug. 14** BPIA application approved by DEP.
- Aug.17** Trees and shrubs planted for erosion control by 20 volunteers at two demonstration sites along Bear Pond Rd.

## 2003

**April 8**      **Committee meeting**    Jeff Stern announced the Grant should start in mid or late May if it is from the Section 319 Non-Point Act.

**\*OCSWC Oxford County Soil and Water Conservation**

**\*\*CCSWC Cumberland County Soil and Water Conservation**

**During this time frame, there were personnel changes:**

**Wendy Garland now is working with the DEP**

**Tamara Pinard replaced Wendy Garland**

**Jessica Lincoln replaced Laura Bold from AmeriCorp**

**Karen Hahmel now is working with the Invasive Plant Div. of the DEP**

**Jessie McDougal replaced Karen Hahmel**

**Note: all committee meeting were held at the Bray's home.**

**Refreshments were served at no cost to BPIA**