



**The Thames River Basin Partnership
 Floating Workshop XVIII
 Friday, June 15, 2018
 Project Oceanology
 1084 Shennecossett Road
 Groton, CT
 NOON – 4:30 PM**

River Continuity in the Greater Thames River Watershed

Registration is now open for the 18th annual Thames River Basin Partnership Floating Workshop. The cost of this year’s Floating Workshop is \$25, and will include a light lunch. Pre-registration required.



River continuity is an important ecological concept. During this workshop, we will learn from CT DEEP fisheries biologists how dams, bridges and culverts can become barriers to fish passage, fragmenting the stream habitat, about their ongoing efforts to reverse these issues, and what you can do locally to prevent further fragmentation of riverine habitat. Flood plains are a natural part of a river system and you will learn about an ongoing flood plain mapping project in the Shetucket River watershed from the USGS. Learn how upstream land use practices as far north as Massachusetts can impact water quality in the Thames River from Project O staff, who have been collecting water quality data in the Thames River for decades. The

workshop will include a river bottom grab sample demonstration, so you will get a hands-on introduction to the underwater critters that rely on good water quality to survive. In the casual atmosphere of this event while on board the Project Oceanology Envirolab and cruising on the Thames River, you will be able to interact with the conservation professionals from many different agencies and organizations that are involved in natural resource conservation in the greater Thames River watershed.

This workshop is being sponsored in part by Project Oceanology, Millennium Power through The Last Green Valley and in partnership with the Eastern Connecticut Conservation District, and the Chelsea Groton Foundation. For more information, call Jean Pillo at 860-928-4948 or email at TRBP@Comcast.net.

Registration must be received by June 8, 2018. Any late registrations must be confirmed through Jean Pillo. Registration is limited to 56 passengers. Please make your check payable to the **Eastern Connecticut Conservation District**, and mail it with the completed registration form below to:

TRBP Floating Workshop, c/o ECCD, 238 West Town Street, Norwich CT 06360

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Workshop Registration

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