



Thames River Basin Partnership Floating Workshop XVIII Scholarship Application Form

The Thames River Basin Partnership is holding its annual Floating Workshop on June 15, 2018. The theme of this year’s workshop is River Continuity in the Greater Thames River Watershed. With a small grant from the Chelsea Groton Foundation, we are able to offer 20 scholarships for this fun, exciting and educational program to municipal officials that serve the cities and towns in our watershed. This includes public works employees, planners, planning/zoning, wetlands and conservation commission members, and municipal CEOs. The value of these scholarships is \$25.

River continuity is an important ecological concept. We will learn from CT DEEP fisheries biologists how dams, bridges and culverts can become barriers to fish passage, fragmenting the stream habitat, 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 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.

The workshop will begin at the Project Oceanology facility, located at 1084 Shennecossett Road, Groton, CT and run from noon – 4:30 PM. The workshop includes a light lunch. Scholarships will be limited to one per municipality on a first come, first serve basis. Additional participants can attend by paying the normal \$25 registration fee. For more information, contact Jean Pillo at 860-928-4948 or email TRBP@comcast.net. Visit our website at www.TRBP.org. Our more recent partner’s activities can be found at <http://thelastgreenvalley.org/learn-protect/watershed-protection/thames-river-basin-partnership> until we launch our revised website later this year.

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Name of municipality: \_\_\_\_\_

Municipal role of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

License plate information for parking at Avery Point State: \_\_\_\_ Plate Number \_\_\_\_\_

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