

The Blackstone River Coalition

Volunteers Needed

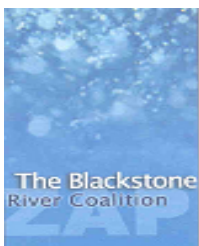


Watershed Group Seeking Volunteer Monitors and Lab Assistants

No Experience Needed

- The BRC is seeking volunteers for a long-running citizen science program to gather information about the status of, and long-term changes in, the health of the Blackstone River Watershed.
- Over 90 volunteers work with the BRC's member organizations to sample 75 sites throughout the watershed from Worcester to Pawtucket.
- The Headwaters Team is based in Worcester; the Midreach Team is based in Uxbridge; and the R.I. Team is based in Lincoln.
- Sites are sampled on the second Saturday of each month from April through November.
- Field monitors and substitute "floaters" are trained in a one-hour session to test for dissolved oxygen at the site, record physical and aesthetic parameters, and collect a water sample that they drop off to the lab between 9:00 a.m. and noon on the Saturday of testing.
- Lab volunteers, who help test these samples for nutrients, conductivity, and turbidity, at one of three water-testing labs, do not need to commit to helping each month and can be trained the first time they assist.

To volunteer as a field monitor, floater, or lab assistant, please contact Heather Parry, Coordinator, BRC Volunteer WQM Program at heatherparry.wqm@gmail.com



The Blackstone River Coalition is a partnership of numerous organizations, businesses, municipalities, agencies, and individuals working to restore the Blackstone River and to improve the health of the Blackstone River watershed

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