

WRWA gave this year's Environmental Award to the Westport Board of Health, in recognition of their leadership in the development of new septic regulations, specific to new construction, which will reduce the impact of new nitrogen pollution loads in the river. We commend the Board for developing and implementing regulations to limit the amount of nitrogen entering the River, which can restore and protect water quality and habitat. We applaud the Board of Health for considering both short term and long-term goals with the eventual result that nitrogen overloads from future growth and nitrogen from existing sources must be reduced.

We are happy to welcome Cindy Wilson and Mark Luttmann to the Board of Directors.

The Westport River Watershed Alliance Annual Report for 2022 can be viewed at this link:

<https://www.westportwatershed.org/annual-reports>