



WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

Hudson River
Watershed Alliance



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Annual Watershed Conference | FDR Presidential Library & Home, Hyde Park, NY | 10/29/19

HUDSON RIVER WATERSHED ALLIANCE

- Unite and empower communities to protect their local water resources
- Education, training, networking



Lower Wappinger Watershed Resilience Building Workshop

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- Support watershed groups
- Improve inter-municipal coordination
- Communicate as a collective voice



June Watershed Roundtable

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- Supported >20 watershed groups from 10 counties (programs & technical assistance)
- >540 people have participated in HRWA programs



Hudson 7 Intermunicipal Council

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- With TNC, 3 Community Resilience Building Workshops with 12 municipalities
- With Pace Land Use Law Center, LULA in Albany County for 6 municipalities



Saugerties Community Resilience Building Workshop

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- Mid Hudson Breakfast Lecture:
Nov 14 at Plaza Diner,
New Paltz
- Water quality monitoring workshop:
Dec 5 at SUNY
New Paltz



Connecting Our Streams workshop

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- Mid Hudson Breakfast Lecture:
Dec 12 at Plaza Diner,
New Paltz
- Upper Hudson Speaker Series:
Dec 13 at Brown's
Brewing Company, Troy



Upper Hudson Speaker Series

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- Healthy Landscapes
 - What does a healthy stream or watershed look like?
 - How do our values inform our perspectives?
 - How does that impact stream & watershed management?



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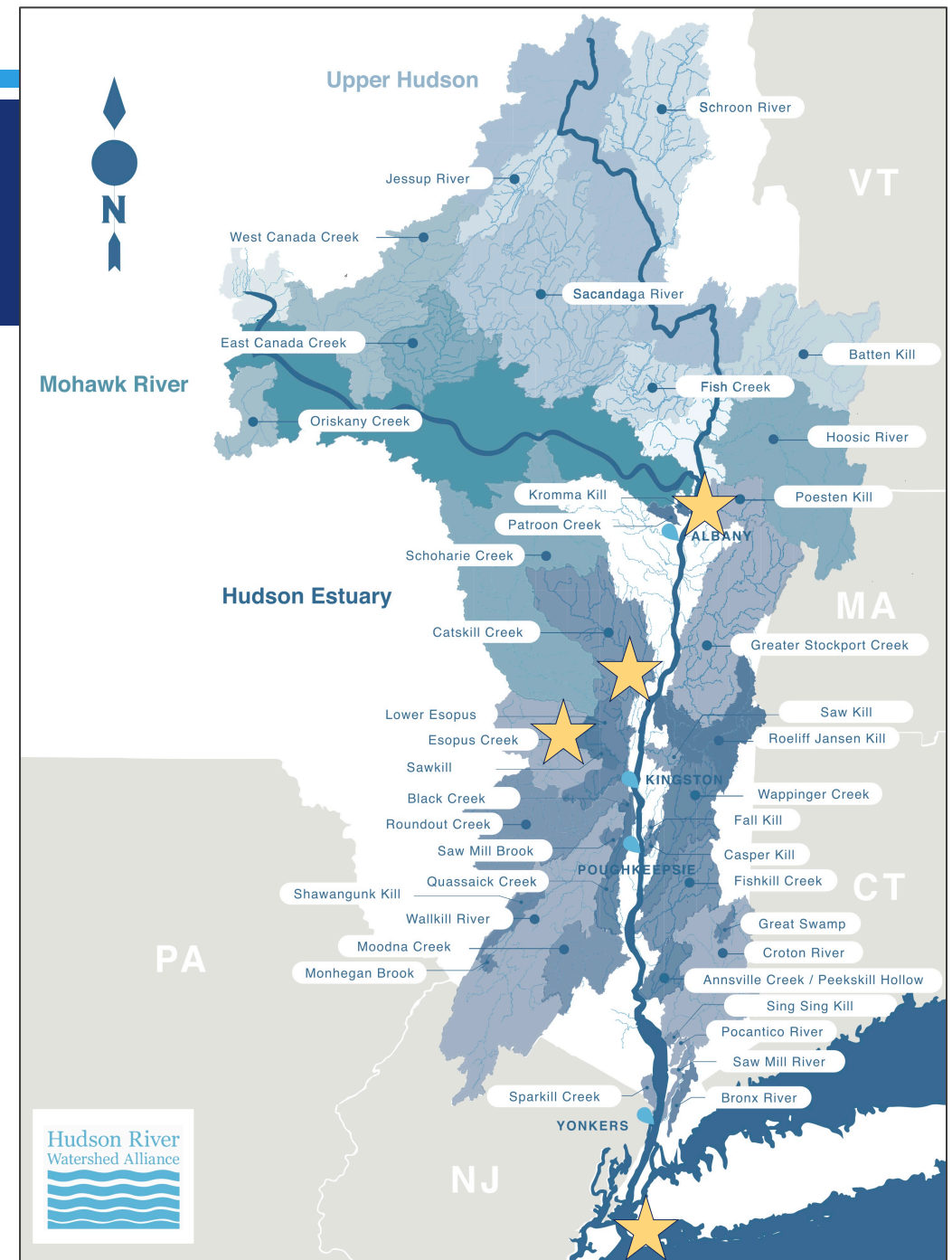
- Beauty is in the eye of the beholder
- Our values inform our perspectives
- There may be tensions:
 - Different aesthetics
 - Different desires, needs for watersheds



Fall Kill, Poughkeepsie

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- Morning plenary sessions:
 - Catskill Creek
 - Esopus Creek
 - Poesten Kill
 - Coney Island Creek



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- Afternoon: agency updates on regional/statewide programs
- Breakout sessions:
 - Clean Ups & Plastic Pollution
 - Scenery & Ecological Benefits
 - Communicating Values



DISPLAYS & TABLES

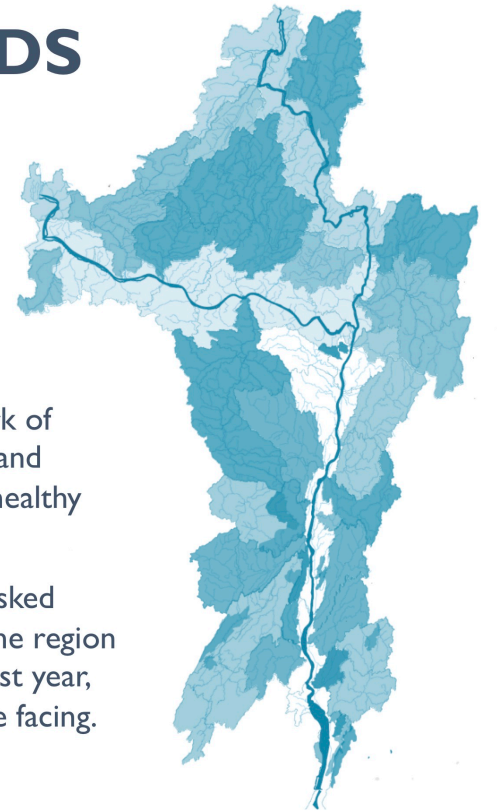
- Vendors & display tables
- Work on Watersheds 2019 Yearbook
- Thank you to 23 watershed groups for participating!

WORK ON WATERSHEDS 2019 YEARBOOK

The **Hudson River Watershed Alliance** unites and empowers communities to protect their local water resources.

The **Hudson River Watershed Alliance** is the only organization dedicated to building a collaborative network of engaged, informed and active citizens, watershed groups, and municipalities to ensure the Hudson River watershed is healthy and resilient.

In Fall 2019, the **Hudson River Watershed Alliance** asked organizations working on watershed issues throughout the region to share one fact, one proud accomplishment from the last year, one opportunity for next year, and one challenge they are facing. This is the result.



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