



# Kingwood Township Environmental Commission

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## 2014 Objectives

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### **Provide assistance to the Township Committee, Planning Bd. Etc.**

- ordinances related to environmental concerns as needed.
- environmental issues related to Route 12 corridor and cluster development.
- updates on new environmental information and environmental regulations. **Open**

### **Space/Parks & Recreation**

- Maintain Native Plant Rain Garden at Kingwood Park.
- Stewardship of Kugler Woods property (owned by NJDEP).
- Survey and map gooseberries (*Ribes* species; host plant for Gray Comma butterfly) in Horseshoe Bend Park.
- Work with the Open Space Committee and Parks & Recreation Committee on the following:
  - 2 Work towards managing fields at Horseshoe Bend Park to benefit rare and threatened birds and butterflies.
  - 2 Trail planning, building, improvement and maintenance projects.
  - 2 Evaluate & remove invasive species on Township-owned properties.
  - 2 Encourage the use of native trees & plants on Township-owned properties (& prohibit invasives).

### **Outreach/Education**

- Expand public environmental education and outreach, including the Kingwood Township website, Kingwood Community Day; including required stormwater education points and other topics.
- Sponsor speakers on environmental topics at EC meetings.
- Continue environmental education/stream monitoring with students in Kingwood Twp. School.
- Continue to cultivate working relationship with community organizations for conservation projects such as roadside cleanups and recycling day assistance.

### **Recycling**

- Provide outreach & education about recycling, including flyers and the web site.
- Provide volunteers for Saturday morning hours.
- Remove unacceptable items when possible.
- Address problems of 1) unacceptable items being left and 2) containment of wind-blown recyclables.

### **Site Plan Review**

Summarize and present information to the Planning Board concerning environmental features on sites proposed for development.

### **Surface Water**

Cooperate with NJWSA and support implementation projects for Lockatong and Wickecheoke Watersheds Restoration and Protection Plan (stormwater control implementation and assessment). **Sustainability**

Complete steps for Kingwood to achieve Sustainable Jersey Certification.

### **Ground Water**

Coordinate well testing and septic pumping during community day.

## **Meetings/Courses**

Participate in regional group meetings, including SWAC, Lockatong/Wickecheoke Committee and possibly others.

Share information about meetings & courses of interest. EC member will attend when possible & appropriate.