

**Sudbury, Assabet, and Concord Wild and Scenic River Stewardship Council
Community Small Grants - Awarded 2017 -2024**

Grantee	Title/Description
2023 - 2024	
Assabet Co-op	Assabet Co-op Riverside Restoration - Restore the riverside habitat behind its newly opened store front at 86 Powder Mill Road by planting native shrubs, trees, and native seed mixes; reduce the abundance of invasive plants, including Japanese knotweed, and add interpretive signage to the viewing deck.
Concord Museum	Digging Into the Past: Native History in Musketaquid through Archaeology - Replicate artifacts from their Teaching Collection that will help students understand life along the rivers in Musketaquid.
Farrington Nature Linc	Farrington Nature Linc Teen Leadership Program: Building Relationships with Local Rivers - Teen leaders will deepen their relationships with the Sudbury River and its watershed by participating in a kayaking trip, scaffolded by education and arts projects related to native species, invasive species, and water pollution.
Mass Audubon	Brewster's Woods Canoe/Kayak Landing - Addition of a kayak/canoe put-in location on the banks of the Concord River at Brewster's Woods, where river paddlers will be able to pull ashore to enjoy a walk on the new all-persons trail.
Mass River Alliance	Dam Busters 101 Webinar Series - Develop the Dam Busters 101 monthly webinar series, jointly identifying topics, speakers, format, and evaluation tools with Mass DER and the Charles River Watershed Association.
Ma'yan Tikvah	Judaism Outdoors! - Host aimed at young adults in their 20s and 30s in the Metrowest area and will provide unique and enticing outdoor programming with a Jewish foundation.
Wayland Conservation Department	Heard Farm Field Edge Invasive Removal - Clear invasive vegetation at the field edges of Heard Farm to increase the scenic value of the river by increasing its visibility from the Heard Farm fields.
2022 - 2023	
Appalachian Mountain Club	Bay Circuit Trail (BCT) Cow Common Conservation Area: Progressive Access Trail Construction and Reroute - The project involves building a new progressive access trail from the current path of the Bay Circuit Trail (BCT) at the Cow Common Conservation Area in Wayland to the town's Council on Aging. In total, we will build 0.3 miles of trail that will enable people of different abilities, especially older adults and those who are members of the Council on Aging, to hike and engage with the local natural landscape that surrounds the Sudbury River floodplain.
Billerica Conservation Department	Katie Durand Memorial Park (KDMP) Interpretative Sign - The project consists of the design and fabrication of one interpretative sign that will be located at a new park referred to as the Katie Durand Memorial Park (KDMP) along the Concord River. KDMP is located within a portion of the Wild and Scenic designated area along the Concord River. The sign focuses on the importance of the protection and preservation of the Concord River.
Concord Conservatory of Music	Music and Water Concert Event - The Music & Concert Series at Concord Conservatory of Music explores the intersection of music with other topics by presenting a concert with guest speakers from a partnering organization and the music perspective. CCM will partner with OARS and The River Stewardship Council to build upon our collective communities' reverence for the local rivers and appreciation for music performance and education by presenting Music & Water.

Hudson Public Schools	Watershed Landmark Project - The Watershed Landmark Project engages Hudson 2nd, 3rd, and 4th graders in field studies of three “landmark” locations within the Assabet River Watershed. The project is designed to build scientific understanding around the history and health of these natural areas and to promote stewardship for the river and its tributaries. Elementary students can grow into powerful promoters and protectors of our watershed, and connecting students to these natural areas can promote a strong sense of belonging in the community.
Massachusetts Rivers Alliance	“Protecting Our Waterways” Stormwater Financing Curriculum - The project will combat the threat of excessive flows and contamination from stormwater runoff by piloting its Protecting Our Waterways technical assistance (TA) curriculum program for the eight SuAsCo Wild and Scenic communities. The program will engage municipalities and local organizations to protect the rivers’ resources and build strong local stewardship of the rivers by increasing the capacity of municipalities to finance and implement nature-based green infrastructure (GI) solutions. Program outcomes will reduce stormwater impacts, thus protecting and enhancing the SuAsCo Rivers’ outstandingly remarkable values for current and future generations.
Umbrella Arts Center	Community Earth Floats for Earth Day 2023 - The Umbrella Arts Center will expand the annual Earth Float participatory public art project that culminates on Earth Day (April 2022, 2023). In particular, SuAsCo support will be used to enhance the environmental education component of the Earth Floats, and design activities that engage multiple stakeholder groups’ and app appreciation of the rivers through art.
2021 - 2022	
Concord Museum	Honoring the First Peoples of Musketaquid - Funds were provided to categorize and document the Museum’s immense collection of Northeast Woodland artifacts from the peoples whose homeland was, and may still be, the area known as Musketaquid (“place where the rivers flow through the grasses”) and to work with representatives of the Nipmuc, Wampanoag, Massachusett and other Tribes to comply with NAGPRA (the Native American Grave Protection and Repatriation Act).
City of Framingham	Carol Getchell Trail Schematic Design and Pre-permitting - The City of Framingham Conservation Department, in conjunction with the Planning and Community Development Department, will contract with Horsley Witten Group to complete a trail assessment, survey, and if necessary, a limited resource area delineation(s) to advance the proposed Carol Getchell Trail improvements along the Sudbury Wild and Scenic River. The work by Horsley Witten will include 1) Project Coordination, 2) Site Assessment and Pre-Permitting Review and Coordination, 3) Implementation Recommendations and Planning Level Costs, and 4) Topographic Survey and Natural Resources Delineation.
Friends of Saxonville	Saxonville Levee Trail Link Project - Purchase and install a bike rack and benches along the trail that connects the Cochituate Rail Trail and the Carol Getchell Trail along the Wild and Scenic Sudbury River.
Framingham Conservation Department	Watershed-Based Planning for Resilience and Collaboration - This project is a technological pilot under contract with 2NDNATURE to utilize their stormwater management software. The powerful model and software interface will support catchment-based planning; assist with the prioritization of areas for implementation of nature-based solutions and installation of green infrastructure projects; and facilitate collaboration across communities, organizations and municipalities.

Framingham Centre Common Cultural District	“Many Cultures, One Heart” Public Art Project - “Many Cultures, One Heart” is a public art project designed to celebrate the various artistic and ethnic voices of the city through a series of sculptures placed around the Framingham Centre Common Cultural District and along the Sudbury River. The RSC funded one statue which was placed at the Old Danforth Street BRidge at the beginning of the Wild and Scenic designation.
Hudson Conservation Department	Assabet River Restoration along Hudson Riverwalk - The Hudson Riverwalk Steering Committee is leading this project to restore the riverbank and riparian buffer along the Assabet River in Hudson, MA. Native planting and soil restoration are part of an integrated invasive species control strategy for habitat enhancement. Once established, a novel urban ecosystem can enhance the riparian ecology with minimal intervention. Project deliverables included riverbank and buffer zone revegetation with top riparian bird and pollinator support species, invasive species control and habitat nesting feature enhancements with web and audio linked interpretive markers.
Lincoln Conservation Department	Enviroscape Models: Educating the community on how human actions impact the health of our local wetlands and rivers - Fund were used to purchase two Enviroscape models. The Enviroscape is a watershed model which teaches children and families about how our wetlands, streams, and rivers can be affected by development, pollution, and other natural and human-made impacts. Lincoln Conservation Staff reached out to the local scout groups and elementary science teachers to teach children and families about how precipitation, especially rain storms, affects the local rivers and ponds.
Massachusetts Environmental Research Alliance, Inc. (MERA)	Sudbury River Testing – Stewardship Based on Science - Testing of the Sudbury River on an approximately quarterly basis at four locations in Wayland, MA for Phthalates, PFAS, DEP14 toxic metals, and measure with field meters parameters such as pH, temperature, dissolved oxygen, salinity, flow velocity and water depth, and use of test kits to measure nitrogen.
OARS, Inc.	Assabet and Sudbury River Recreation Maps - Update and reprint of the Assabet River Recreation Map and the Sudbury River Recreation Map. Updates reflect new put-ins and landings, removal of a dam, connecting trails and other small (yet important) changes. These changes are reflected on the printed maps and the on-line versions. The paper maps are primarily distributed via map boxes, by mail upon request to the RSC and OARS, and at the National Wildlife Refuges.
2020 - 2021	
Appalachian Mountain Club	Outdoors Rx 2021 Sudbury River Program Series - Spring 2021 Outdoors Rx Sudbury River Program Series, a five-week program to be offered to underserved Framingham families in Spring 2021. The River Program Series will add a new dimension to ORx programming by including paddling, Leave No Trace activities, and river-related naturalist activities along the Sudbury River, more specifically the Carol Getchell Reservation in North Framingham.
Middlesex Canal Museum	Observation Deck at the new Middlesex Canal Museum
Concord Museum	Teaching Children About the People of Musketaquid - The virtual “People of Musketaquid: Exploring Native History through Archeology” program, like the on-site version, centers around how Native People met their needs through the land and the rivers in this area. Students will take part in a “virtual dig” that happens on the banks of the Assabet River; they will imagine finding woodworking tools and spear points that help them to better understand how people met their transportation and food needs thousands of years ago in Musketaquid. The River Stewardship Council helped to fund three part-time educators to deliver the new virtual programming.

Hop Brook Protection Association	Hop Brook Water Quality: Evaluation and Engagement - Conduct water quality monitoring along the Hop Brook, the largest tributary of the Sudbury River, and engage the community in this project. HBPA intends to identify the sources of high levels of phosphorus pollution, the extent of eutrophication, and characterize bacteria pollution. This data will be used to develop effective remediation strategies.
Wayland Conservation Department	Bobolink Interpretive Signs at Heard Farm - The Wayland Conservation Department will commission an interpretive sign that will provide visitors with information on grassland habitat and grassland birds, specifically the bobolink. The sign will be installed and the Heard Farm Conservation Area in Wayland, Massachusetts, a property with some of the most extensive grasslands within the SuAsCo Watershed and a well-known bobolink nesting site.
2019 - 2020	
City of Framingham Department of Public Works	Public education on water pollution using the Enviroscape model - The City of Framingham received funds for the purchase and shipping of an Enviroscape Ecological Restoration model and case. The City will provide in-kind labor for public outreach events to support the project. The City is also committed to purchasing replacement materials for the model as needed in the future.
Lowell Parks & Conservation Trust	Fish Monitoring During a Pandemic - Funds to support staff time, river herring monitoring supplies (non-capital), and outreach for the fish monitoring program on the Concord River in Lowell. Due to the COVID pandemic, protocols needed to be adapted to ensure volunteers are protected from exposure.
The Umbrella Art Center / OARS	Earth Month Water Installation and Children's Film Festival - The Umbrella Arts Center hired an artist to create a virtual installation about our local waterways/systems – and made a virtual experience - for the Earth Month Exhibit and Earth Day Celebration. As part of the celebration, OARS presented a streaming Children's Wild & Scenic Film Festival for children and their families. The "Wild & Scenic Film Festival On Tour," the largest of its kind in the nation, uses film to inspire activism. A selection of their award-winning films about energy and climate change, nature, adventure, conservation, water, wildlife, and community activism will be shown. Totaling 60-80 minutes in length, the films were chosen for their relevance to grade school and middle school children and their families living in the communities of the Assabet, Sudbury, and Concord Rivers.
Mass Rivers Alliance	Water Bylaws Toolkit - Developed a water bylaw toolkit. The toolkit includes examples of the most protective and effective water-related bylaws in the state, covering issues from stormwater to water conservation. Each bylaw also includes contact information for at least one municipal contact that has implemented said bylaw and also one local environmental partner in the region so that interested parties can contact these entities in case of questions. In addition, the project includes five case examples of existing Massachusetts town and/or city bylaws that could be strengthened to be more protective for water resources. Three of the five case examples are communities inside of the Sudbury, Assabet and Concord watersheds.
Town of Carlisle Trails Committee	Greenough Trail Improvements - Trail infrastructure improvements on the Greenough Property along the Concord River in the Town of Carlisle. Infrastructure improvements, including rerouting of the trail around a seasonally wet area, construction of a bridge across an intermittent stream, repair of existing trail bridges, and installation of several benches at scenic locations along the trail, will improve user experience on the trails adjacent to the river. The project will help achieve RSC stewardship goals by enhancing recreational opportunities along the river by improving trails and providing benches for scenic viewing of the pond and the river
2018 - 2019	

Friends of Saxonville	Conchituate Rail Trail Invasive Vegetation Management - Components of the project included identifying and documenting invasive non-native & native vegetation along the section of the Conchituate Rail Trail, CRT from School Street Framingham to Route 30 Framingham; creating a removal "Action Plan and Removal Timeline for the Invasive Vegetation"; identifying location and names of flowering native vegetation to plant along the trail and Conchituate Brook; creating an "Educational Map" that shows examples of native and invasive vegetation; communicating with schools, community groups, and local artists to use the trail as an educational walking tour and as a venue for creating artwork of native vegetation.
Lowell Parks & Conservation Trust	Lowell Parks and Conservation Trust - The Lowell Parks & Conservation Trust received funds to support anadromous fish monitoring and restoration on the Concord River in Lowell. This project directly contributed to return of the historic run of the Concord River alewife (<i>Alosa pseudoharengus</i>) and other species through the training of stakeholder and volunteering monitors (in-person and video monitoring). SuAsCo RSC funding supported the hiring of a seasonal employee, river herring monitoring equipment (non-capital) and training, outreach, and reporting for the lower Concord River in collaboration with federal and state resources agencies.
Individual - Kevin Martin	Big Tree Tour - Riverfest talk about Big Trees in Massachusetts. Kevin Martin, boatbuilder and author of Big Trees of NH, showed participants how big trees are measured for circumference, height, and crown spread.
2017 - 2018	
Town of Billerica Recreation Department	Billerica Recreation Boat Trailer - In an effort to try and increase awareness of the aquatic opportunities in town, Billerica recreation received funding to purchase a kayak trailer. Specifically, this trailer holds up to 8 boats, and allows us to offer recreation opportunities on the Concord River. With the purchase of this trailer, Billerica Recreation Department committed to programming on the Concord River in the 2018 summer season.
Hudson Public Schools	Hudson Public School Wetland Study - Hudson Public Schools received funds to support the 3rd grade Assabet River Watershed Studies Program, through which students conduct year-round watershed field studies at the Assabet River and at school-based sites around Hudson, MA; and partner with Grassroots Wildlife Conservation to raise Blanding's Turtle hatchlings for spring release at the Assabet River National Wildlife Refuge in Sudbury, MA.
OARS	Blue Trails: Concord River Trail Survey and Three-River Recreation Guide - To increase the public's enjoyment of the rivers' natural beauty, habitat and recreational value as well as bring attention to the threats to the Wild & Scenic Sudbury, Assabet and Concord River, the project includes enhancing public access to the river by providing up-to-date on-line and hard copy recreation maps of the three rivers, developing an inventory and action plan to improve and restore access points.
Happy Hollow School, Wayland	River/Wetlands Stewards; Environmental Engagement, Exploration and Education - The Happy Hollow School, in Wayland, MA, worked with Drumlin Farm to carry out this project which: taught children about wetlands and river habitats via classroom science study; learned about and headstart the endangered spadefoot toad through the Drumlin Farm/Grassroots Wildlife Conservation program: Headstarting Native Frogs: Life Cycles and Conservation Science in the Classroom; brought students to the Great Meadows National Wildlife Refuge for a day of learning in nature where student/chaperone groups tour the refuge and engage in a number of hands-on wetlands, river, and water studies as outlined in this guide; hiked with high school student-chaperones from the Wayland High School environmental class along Wayland's aqueduct to discover, observe, and study vernal pool(s), the nearby Sudbury River, and the related plant life and wildlife.

Town of Wayland	Design of a canoe and kayak launch - Obtained design and constructions documents and started construction in 2018. The project was designed (and later constructed) to minimize both short and long term impacts on the ecological functions, wildlife habitat and scenic qualities of the site. The Commission, as stewards of the property, enforced the state Wetlands Protection Act and local bylaws and use Best Management Practices to sensitively maintain and protect this property to limit impacts on this riverfront area and any resources downstream.
2016 - 2017	
Boy Scout Troop 114	Bedford Rt 225 Boat Launch Kiosk - Constructed a new information kiosk for the boat launch on the Bedford side of the Concord river off of Rt. 225 in Bedford. The kiosk included a weather-resistant and lockable information box, which facilitates the posting of time-sensitive information for the boaters. The kiosk also includes a bench between the uprights and pamphlet boxes, which will fix the problem of having no seating or maps at the boat launch.
Concord Land Conservation Trust	October Farm Riverfront - October Farm Riverfront is a remarkable 80-acre property, located in Concord, Massachusetts with over a mile of frontage on the Concord River. It is located just over a mile south along the river from the Elliott Concord River Preserve, a land protection project the River Stewardship Council supported in 2013 with a \$20,000 grant. The RSC supported the Concord Conservation Land Trust's efforts to bring to a close their campaign to acquire the October Farm Riverfront with a grant that was matched dollar for dollar through a donor challenge.
Town of Framingham	Sudbury River Nuisance Aquatic Vegetation Management Program - The Framingham Conservation Commission, with the support of the Town of Framingham Conservation and Open Space Division, received fund to support nuisance aquatic vegetation management efforts within the Sudbury River through Framingham. The principal objective of the management program is to reestablish the use of the Sudbury River for recreation and restore viable habitat for fisheries and wildlife. Grant funds were used to cover direct expenses for a lake management contractor to complete an initial Clearcast herbicide treatment for nuisance aquatic management. The Commission and its staff have made a multi-year commitment to the public to improve the health of the Sudbury River. This project included management surveys to evaluate success.
Hudson Public Schools	Hudson Public Schools Field Science on the Assabet River - The Hudson Public Schools Field Science on the Assabet River Project serviced 227 3rd grade students from the CA Farley Elementary School, Forest Avenue Elementary School, and JL Mulready Elementary School. This project consisted of teacher professional development workshops with Mass Audubon, classroom workshops with Mass Audubon, and student field trips to the Assabet River with Mass Audubon in September 2017.
Lowell Parks and Conservation Trust	Concord River Alewife Restoration - This project directly contributed to return of the historic run of the Concord River alewife and other species through the training of stakeholder and volunteering monitors (in-person and video monitoring). SuAsCo RSC funding supported the hiring of a seasonal employee, river herring monitoring equipment (non-capital) and training, outreach, and reporting for the lower Concord River in collaboration with federal and state resources agencies.

Mass Rivers Alliance	MA Rivers Alliance Drought Research - To address the current gap in drought research, the Mass Rivers Alliance completed the following research project: an in-depth analysis of five states' approaches to public messaging that promotes water conservation during periods of drought. In particular, the project focused on how state officials can encourage citizens to follow nonessential outdoor water use restrictions during summer droughts. Methods of data collection included phone interviews, literature reviews, and internet research. The project culminated in a brief report that was shared with state officials, watershed organizations, municipal water suppliers, conservation commissions and local boards of health.
2015 - 2016	
SWEET, Inc	Roadside Butterfly Garden, Basswood/Linden Tree Group & Lincoln Lane Black Swallowwort removal
One Earth Collaborative	The One Earth Collaborative Interfaith Woodland and Wetland Adventure Camp is designed to provide children going into grades 2-5 with time outdoors in nature for informal play, exploration, and experience. 8-10 children were taken outdoors for half a day for five days, each day at a different conservation or recreation area in and around Framingham. In addition to guided play, informal instruction about flora and fauna, games, guided activities and independent exploration time, children had the opportunity to do a nature craft project and to write a daily journal entry about their experiences, and had daily quiet time. Children went canoeing on the Sudbury River, explored the wonders of woods and fields and streams, made friends with a tree, walked a natural balance beam, and listened to sounds of nature.
Sudbury Valley Trustees	Pollinator Project - Purchased and planted native plants for local pollinator species.
OARS	Sudbury River Recreation Guide - Enhanced public access to the river by providing up-to-date on-line and hard copy recreation map of the Sudbury River. Developed an inventory and action plan to improve and restore access points for future fundraising and community engagement.
2014 - 2015	
Sudbury Conservation Commission	King Phillip Woods Trail Reconstruction - Trail improvements in the historic King Philip Woods consisted of vegetation clearing/invasive plant removal between the historic stone walls located along the Old Berlin Road; installation of interpretive signage; and trail reestablishment to reconnect the trail network within this parcel and the three adjacent conservation lands and private, conservation non-profit trails.
2013 - 2014	
Concord Land Conservation Trust	Phragmites Control at Bigelow Woods, a 61 acre property along the Sudbury River. This is a multiyear project and RSC Small grant funding will help support year two of control. A contractor worked with CLCT to remove the approximately acre of infestation using targeted herbicide applications and manual cutting. Bigelow Woods is part of the BioMap 2 Core Habitat and Critical Natural Landscape and has exceptional river corridor values. The removal of the phragmites helped protect the ecology of the river system.

Mass Audubon / Thoreau School	SUASCO Riverschools Network - Continued work focused on the use of digital technology to create a network of schools studying and sharing data about the Sudbury, Assabet, and Concord rivers throughout the SuAsCo watershed. In its first year, the network was created, a blog was developed and students were trained in use of ipad-minis to input data to be shared. Professional development workshops were held for teachers . This year, included additional training of teachers, as well as support of a coordinator to ensure that the network continues and becomes sustaining. A youth summit or some other way to connect students face to face was explored, and two additional towns were added to the network.
2012 - 2013	
Mass Rivers Alliance	Stream Crossing Workshops - Mass Rivers Alliance worked with Baystate Roads to host 3 workshops in eastern MA on improving road stream crossings to provide better wildlife habitat and improve public safety. These workshops were modeled on a series of successful workshops in the western part of the State . One of the workshops was held within the SUASCO watershed. Workshops will provide information on river ecology, permitting standards, case studies, and technical resources.
Wayland Conservation Commission	Wayland Boat Ramp Improvement - The Wayland Conservation Commission took the lead in a project to improve the Route 20 boat launch, making it more easily accessible to trailered boats while protecting the river and wetland resources of the site. Funds were used to purchase Trakmat that was placed on the ground during the boating season, creating a safe place for trailers to turn around.
Mass Audubon / Thoreau School	SUASCO River School Network - Thoreau School fifth grade teacher, Susan Erickson enhanced the ongoing River Schools project by using IPADS and a blog to create a network among schools so that students may communicate with each other, sharing observations, scientific data, and reflections. She offered a workshop for teachers to introduce them to the project and the technology.
Sudbury Middle School	SUASCO Turtle Project - To further ensure the success of the turtle headstarting program, Dr. Bryan Windmiller created a turtle curriculum guide and a turtle classroom care manual. He also offered a teacher workshop to provide an opportunity for teachers to share how they have used the turtles to further their curriculums.
2011 - 2012	
Three Rivers Chorus	Created "Where the River Flows", a multimedia presentation including performance of River Songs by Gwyneth Walker, poetry, art and facts about the rivers presented in a slide show. The presentation was performed, recorded, and uploaded to Youtube, as well as made available on websites.
Wayland Historical Commission	Wayland Historical Commission led a cooperative effort between Wayland and Framingham to remove debris behind Old Stone Bridge, remove vegetation from the bridge structure and repair the bridge fence.
Wayland Walks	As part of the Town's celebration of 375 years, Wayland Walks will identify and map trails within town, making a connection to the cultural, historical and natural resources of the Town. While this project is very large in scope, RSC funds will be used to connect trails to river resources.
Friends of Saxonville	Friends of Saxonville, Framingham, in partnership with OARS created a new sign for the kiosk at Danforth Street Bridge. The sign focuses on the return of raptors to our watershed and complements the sign already there about the Wild and Scenic River.

Lowell Parks & Conservation Trust	Lowell Parks & Conservation Trust continued to grow the Stewardship through Leadership Program, focusing on the Daley School in Lowell and connecting these students to those in other watershed towns, specifically Concord. This grant builds on work initiated in 2011.
2010 - 2011	
Three Rivers Chorus	The newly organized Three Rivers Chorus learned and performed River Songs, by composer Gwyneth Walker. The addition of River Songs to the Three Rivers Chorus' repertoire allowed the chorus to perform at multiple locations and instances over its lifetime, each opportunity bringing inspiration and a call to action for the preservation and enjoyment of the rivers that surround us. The river- related focus of the performances were enhanced with photos, speakers, information tables etc.
Lowell Parks & Conservation Trust / MA Audubon	Lowell School Project – The Stewardship through Leadership program worked to connect students at the Daley Middle School in Lowell with middle school students in Concord to discuss and compare perspectives on watershed issues that both groups have been working on in their own communities. This was done by visiting each other's projects and through skypeing, or other internet –based communications. At the end of the year a mini-institute was held for all students to get together.
SWEET (Sudbury Weed eradication and Education Team)	This volunteer group, working closely with the Sudbury Conservation Commission, focused on invasive species outreach and education, as well as control. Work was focused in identified priority areas in town, including High School property and the King Philip Conservation area. Work engaged high school students and other town volunteers.
Framingham School	Framingham Mural – Yetti Frankl, a local artist (and last year small grant recipient to paint mural in library) worked with elementary school children to create a mosaic, inspired by river writings and poetry, on the outside of the Stapleton School. Small grant funds were leveraged with other grant funds for this project.
Sudbury Middle School	Turtle Project – Sudbury 7th grade science teacher collaborated with Bryan Windmiller, wildlife biologist, and Mass Audubon on a Blanding's Turtle headstarting program. The program included class presentations, outdoor field work and close-up care of the turtles. Turtles were released with radio transmitters in a year.
2009 - 2010	
SWEET (Sudbury Weed Education and Eradication Project)	Funds were used to purchase equipment to support eradication of invasive species in Sudbury. SWEET used volunteer crews in their efforts.
SUASCO Watershed Stewards (MA Audubon Drumlin Farm)	Drumlin Farm worked with middle school and high school students to pilot a new innovative program engaging students in hands-on environmental science. Worked with Brian Windmiller on Blanding Turtle and Eastern Spadefoot Toads research.
Framingham Library	A mural of the Sudbury River was painted in the children's room of the Framingham Library. Students were engaged in the creation and content of mural.
Carlisle Library	Funds were used to purchase books, digital resources and media for adults about the rivers. A relevant talk was sponsored as well.

Concord Department of Public Works	Pharmaceuticals are thought to be a large, unregulated threat to water quality and ecology. Concord DPW hosted a Pharmaceuticals Collection Day. Concord developed a protocol for how they implement the collection that can be shared with other towns.
Concord Land Conservation Trust	Supported water chestnut control in the Sudbury River. Harvesting took place near Conantum, in an area of the river in which FWS does not work.
Local Photographer	Large 30" by 40" photos were taken of the Assabet River, reflecting the whole river, not just the wild and scenic segment. Photos have been used as an educational tool and the RSC worked with artist to create venues for exhibiting. (\$800 from USFWS)
Wayland	Wayland Turtle Project - Wayland High School Environmental Science teacher partnered with MADOT, USFWS, SVT and a turtle expert to locate and design fencing along Water Row and River Road to keep turtles from crossing the road and eliminate unnecessary wildlife deaths. Students from the high school worked on placing the fencing and undertaking inspections and evaluations. (\$3000 from USFWS)
2008 - 2009	
First Parish of Sudbury	Water conservation education and outreach project for the church with a goal of decreasing usage by 10 percent.
Boston Symphony Orchestra	Through Richard Sebring will create a program featuring photos of natural ice sculptures taken along the Wild and Scenic Rivers set to new music to be presented at Boston Pops.
Concord National Resources Division and Musketaquid Arts and Environment	Quest for Teachers (professional development) and a Quest for 4th Graders focused on Blanding's turtles
2007 - 2008	
Carlisle Trails Committee	Greenough bridge replacement
Sudbury Ponds & Waterways Committee	Eco-friendly lawn care lawn signs
2006 - 2007	
Sudbury Conservation Commission	Sudbury River Overlook – Water Row
Billerica/OAR/Lowell Parks & Conservation Trust	Invasive Aquatic Weed Control on the Concord River in Billerica
Town of Bedford	Davis School SUASCO Watershed Education Project
Framingham Department of Public Works	Stormwater Marking Program
Framingham Conservation Commission	Development and Installation of an Interpretive Trail along the Carol Getchell Trail
2005 - 2006	
Town of Wayland	Hand pulling of Eurasian Milfoil in Dudley Pond
Town of Billerica	Route 4-Dudley Park Trail Enhancement Project

Town of Billerica	Refuge Ranger Program with USFWS
Town of Bedford	Davis School SUASCO Watershed Education Project
Town of Sudbury	Water resource inventory