

WWE 2022



2023 State of the River

Opportunities:



Growing Profile of the UDR Watershed

- Increased resources and broader recognition at the national, state, and regional level
- Stronger coalitions, partnerships, and high energy public engagement
- Beaverkill, Willowemoc, Neversink focus

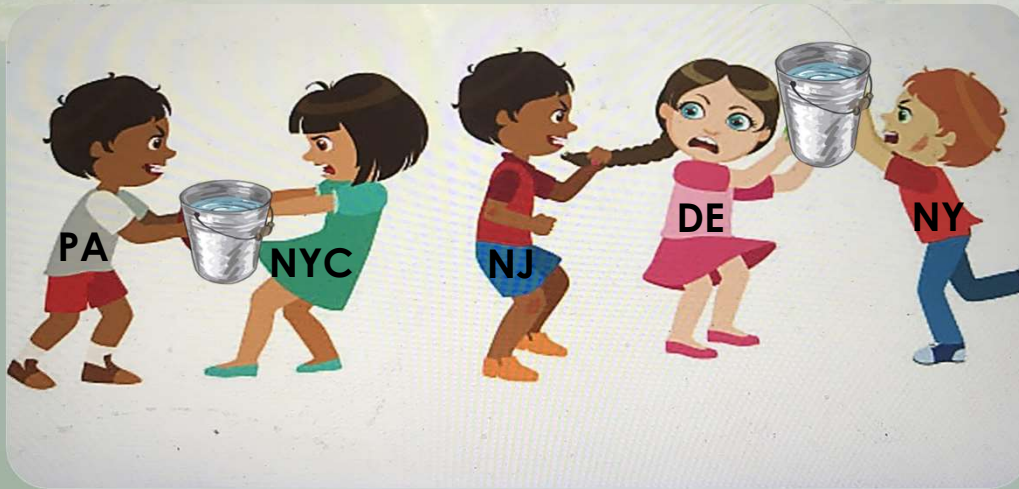
Funding



- Delaware River Basin Restoration Program
- New York State Environmental Protection Fund
- New York State Environmental Bond Act

Flexible Flow Management Program

- Adjustments in water releases
- IERQ mid-term review
- DRBC Subcommittee on Ecological Flows
- Thermal Bank modifications




On-the-Ground Restoration Work Underway!

- 20-plus projects
- Address water quality, aquatic habitat, public infrastructure, flood mitigation, recreational opportunities





Upper Delaware River Wild Trout Management Plan

- Energize habitat restoration
 - Identify policy goals
 - Blueprint for future management
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River Science



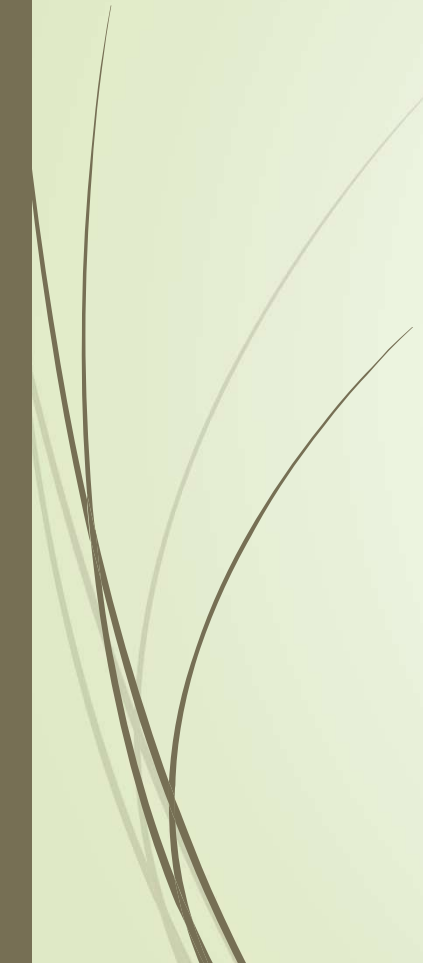
- Macroinvertebrate Studies
- Joint PA/NY fisheries Investigation
- Trutta High-Definition Stream Survey
- Redd Counts



Things to Keep an Eye On



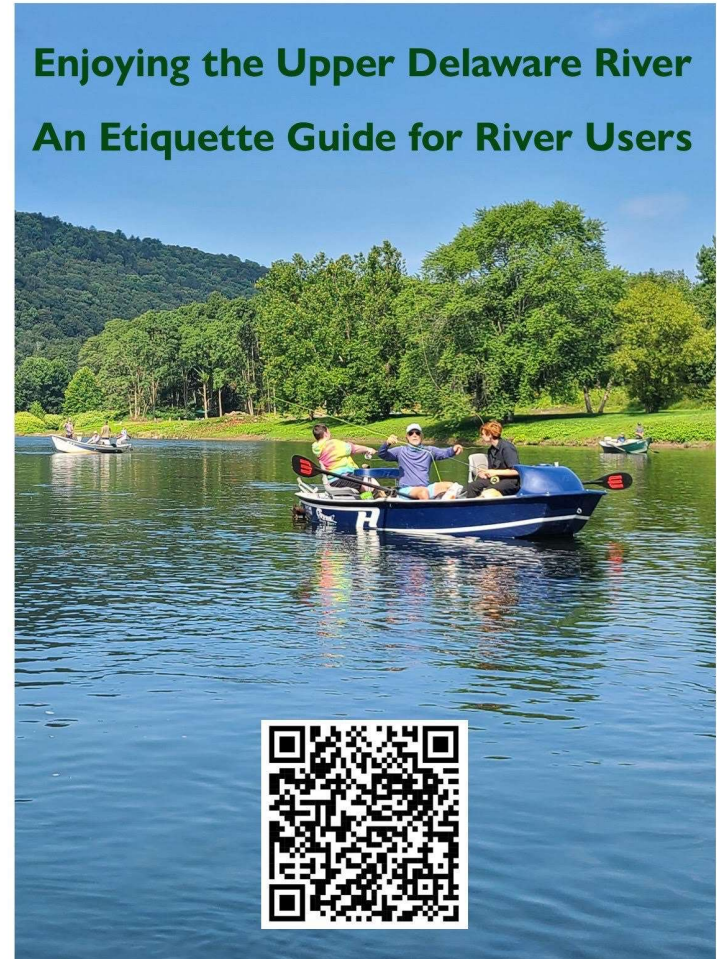
Changing Weather Patterns

- Increased Flooding
 - Warming air/water temperatures
 - Aquatic habitat impairments
 - Reduced water releases
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Increasing River Pressure

- River etiquette
- UDR Rec Plan
- Water releases
- Regulatory enforcement
- Year-Round fishing

Enjoying the Upper Delaware River An Etiquette Guide for River Users



Invasive species

-Japanese Knotweed-





DRBC rules on fracking wastewater

- Waste Transport in the watershed
 - Water Withdrawals from the Delaware River
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