

Neversink Watershed Management Plan

A person wearing a hat and a vest is standing in a river, holding a long line that stretches across the water. The river is surrounded by large rocks and lush green vegetation. The background shows a dense forest with some autumn-colored leaves.

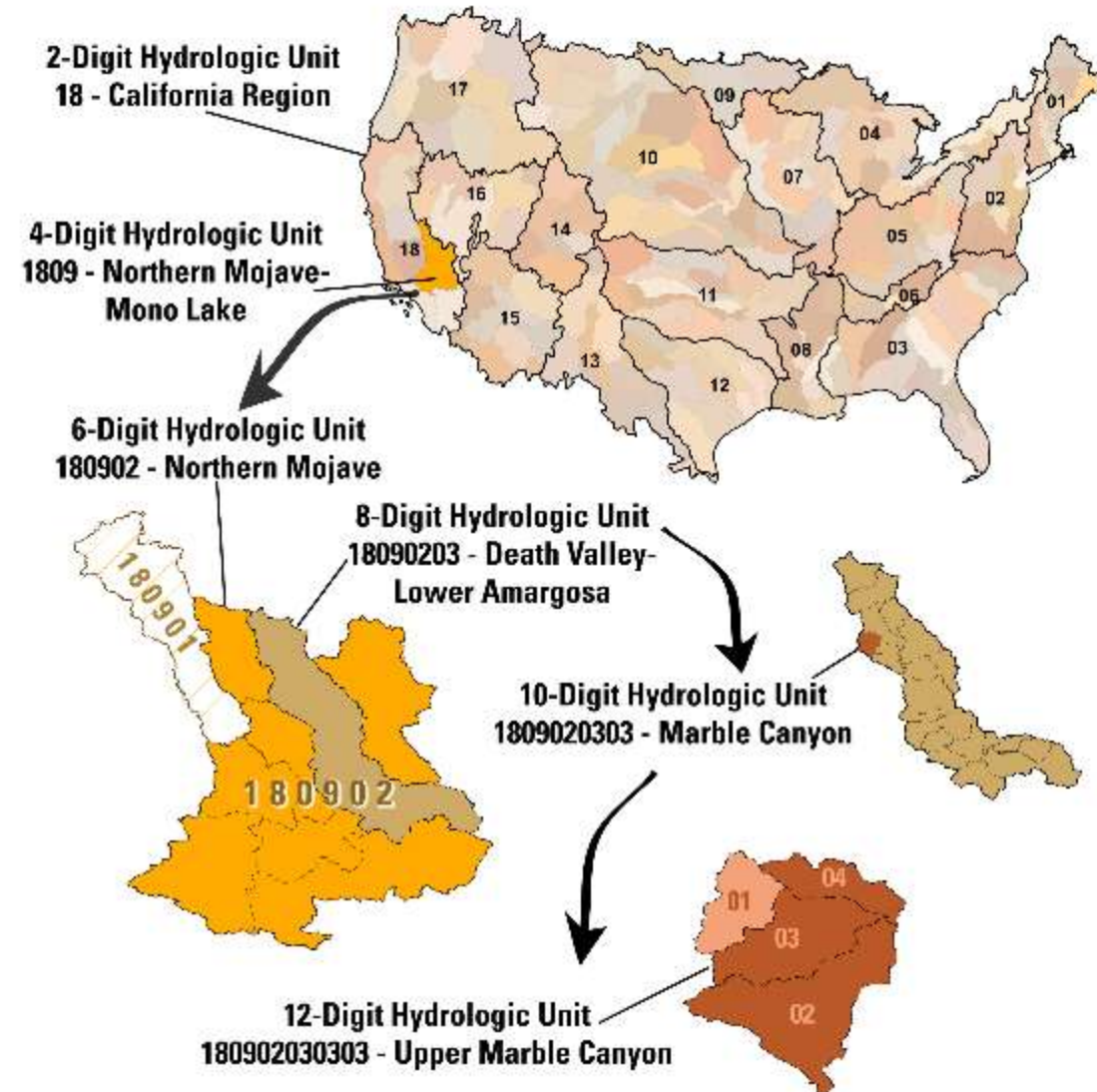
Visioning the Watershed

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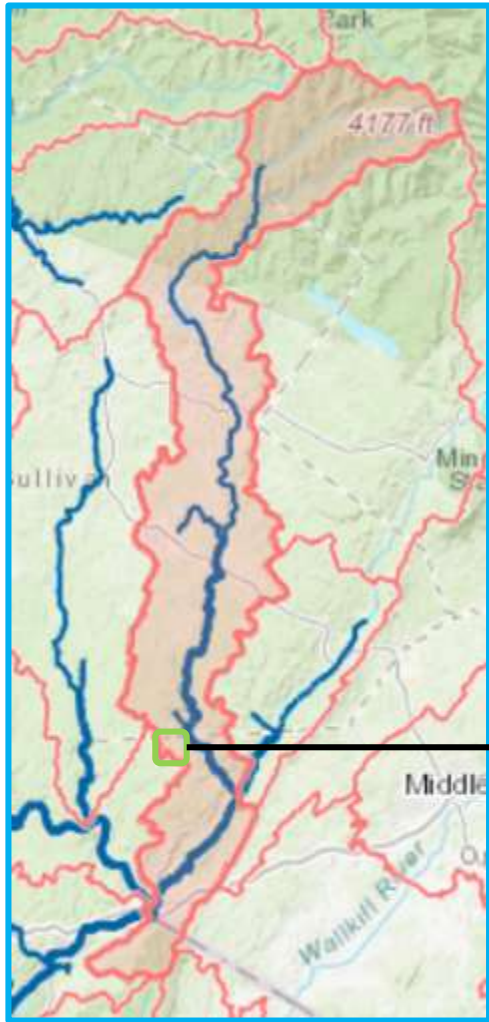
Neversink Watershed - A region or area defined by a network of stream drainage. The Neversink watershed includes all the land from which the Neversink River is supplied.

Subwatersheds – Comprised of Neversink tributaries that can be examined on their own at the HUC 12 level or even down to discrete reaches.

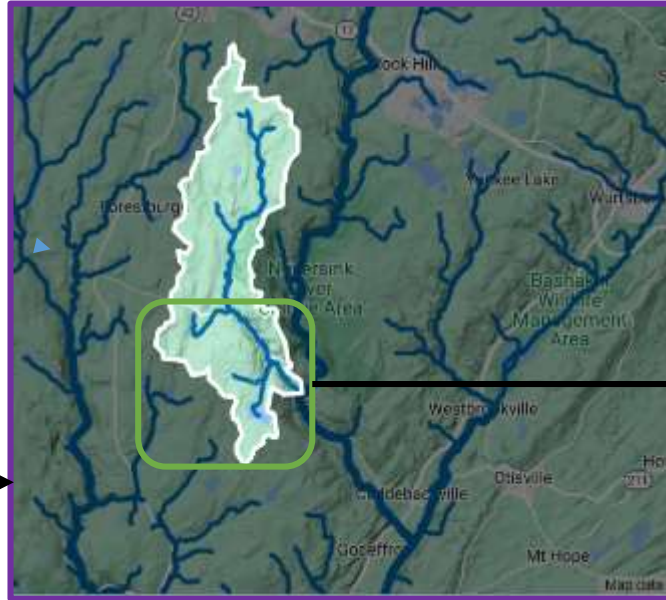
First-order streams are perennial streams--streams that carry water throughout the year--that have no permanently flowing tributaries. This means no other streams "feed" them.



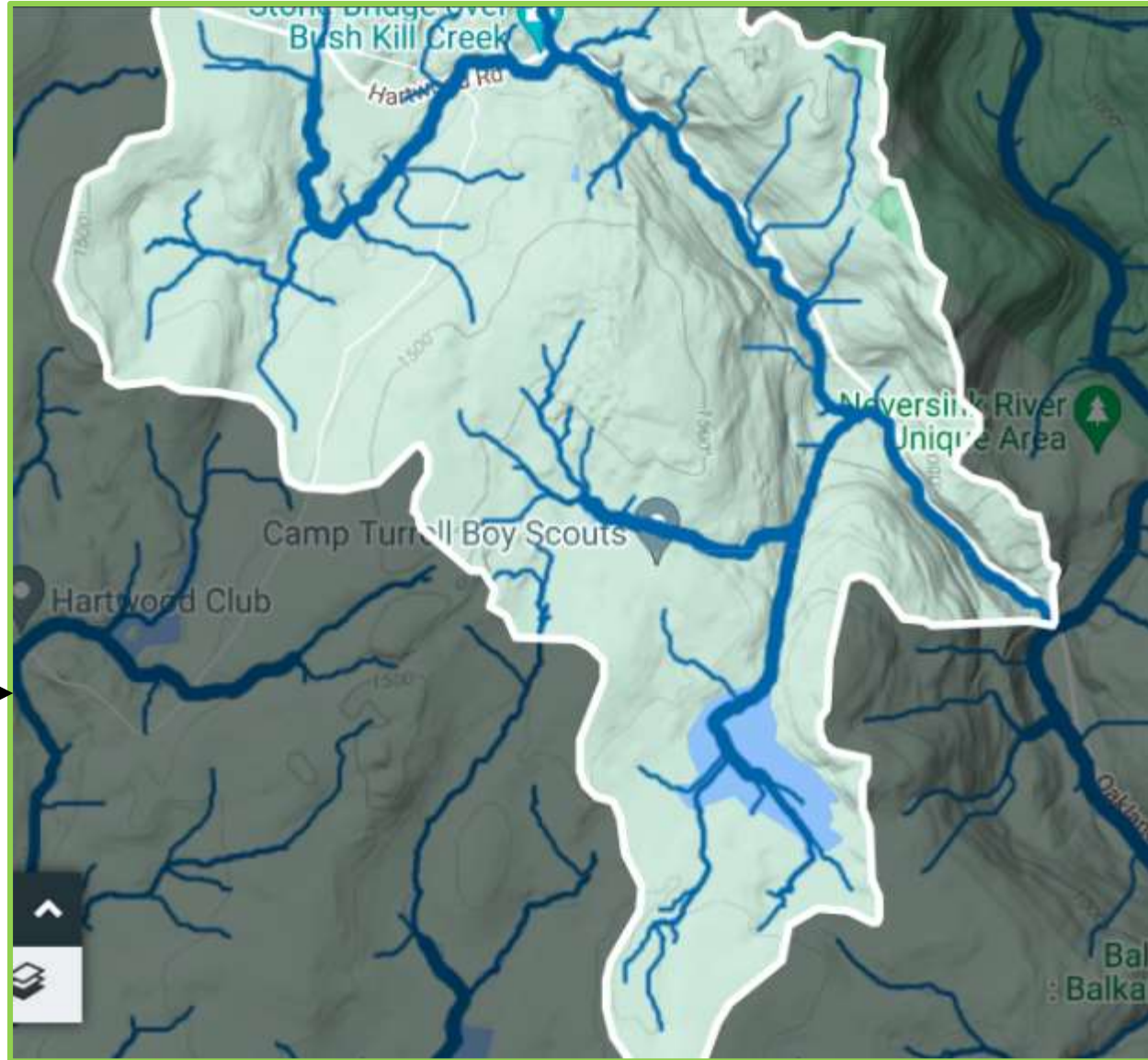
Watersheds within Watersheds



Neversink HUC-10 Watershed



Turner Brook-Bush Kill, HUC-12 Subwatershed



First and Second Stream Orders

Neversink BioRegion

50 years ago Peter Berg, of the Planet Drum Foundation, coined the term 'Bioregion'. "A bioregion is defined in terms of the unique overall pattern of natural characteristics that are found in a specific place. The main features are generally found throughout a continuous geographic terrain and include a particular climate, local aspects of seasons, landforms, watersheds, soils, and native plants and animals. People are also counted as an integral aspect of a place's life, as can be seen in the ecologically adaptive cultures of early inhabitants, and in the activities of present day reinhabitants who attempt to harmonize in a sustainable way with the place where they live."

There are other Neversink Watershed Management Plans - Mostly for the Upper Neversink in the NYC Watershed

Neversink River

UNIT MANAGEMENT

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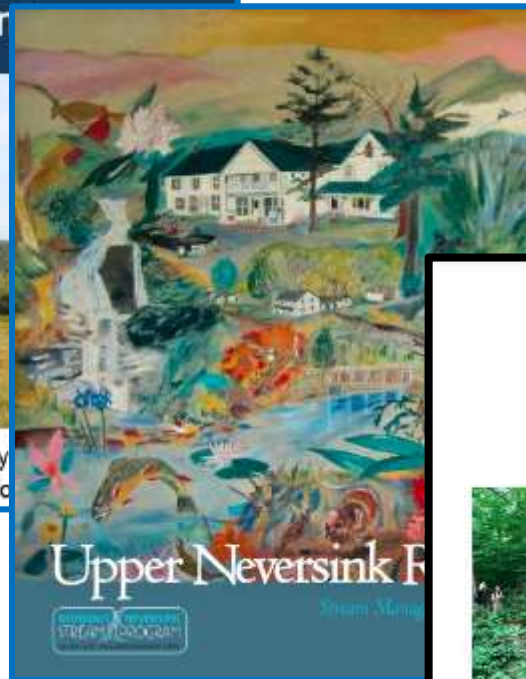
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**Neversink River Floodplain
Conservation Planning**



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Chris Zimmerman, Cathy Gibson, Troy
The Nature Conservancy, New York



Upper Neversink River
Stream Management

THE NATURE CONSERVANCY
STREAM MANAGEMENT

**Characterizing Bank Erosion
on the Upper Neversink River
2012 -2014**

A study to support
Stream Management Activities



Mark Vian and Emily Smith

Visioning – Identifying Goals and Objectives of the Neversink Watershed Management Plan

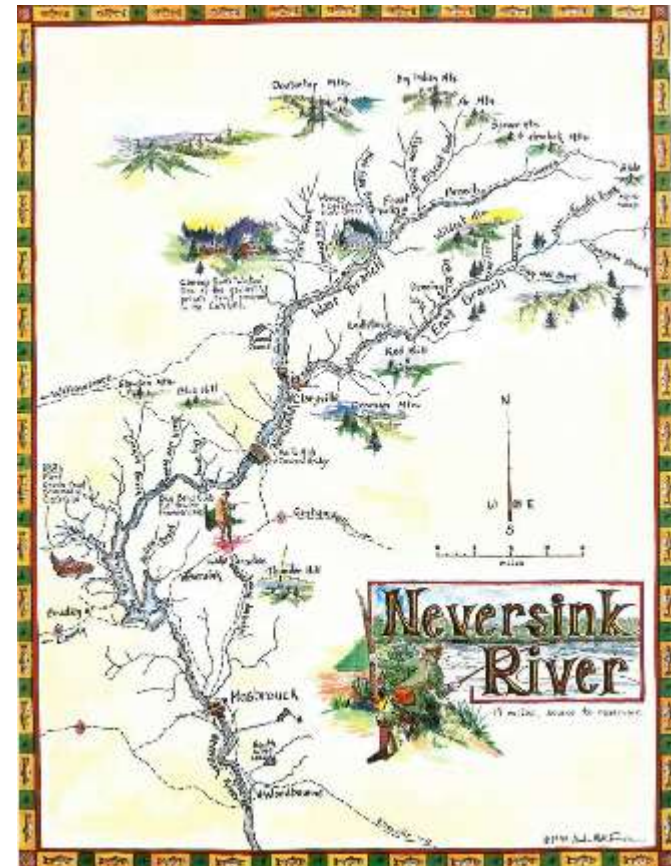
Vision	Goals and Objectives
<p>Participatory Planning Public Access Landowner Privacy Usufructuary Rights Biodiversity Cultural diversity Robust economy</p>	<p>Improve stormwater infrastructure Stream habitat restoration New recreational opportunities New businesses and jobs Hike, bike and waterway trails</p>

Visioning – Identifying Goals and Objectives of the Neversink Watershed Management Plan

- Sometimes these are overlapping and hard to resolve



Decrease reservoir releases for ritual bathing



Increase releases to extend range of trout habitat

Initial NWMP Goals and Objectives

Dynamic multi-dimensional plan to identify and elucidate human and natural community goals and objectives within the watershed and, with ongoing public participation, provide pathways and a catalog of projects to best meet those needs.

The planning process evolves into the formation of a Neversink Watershed Council comprised of local stakeholders.

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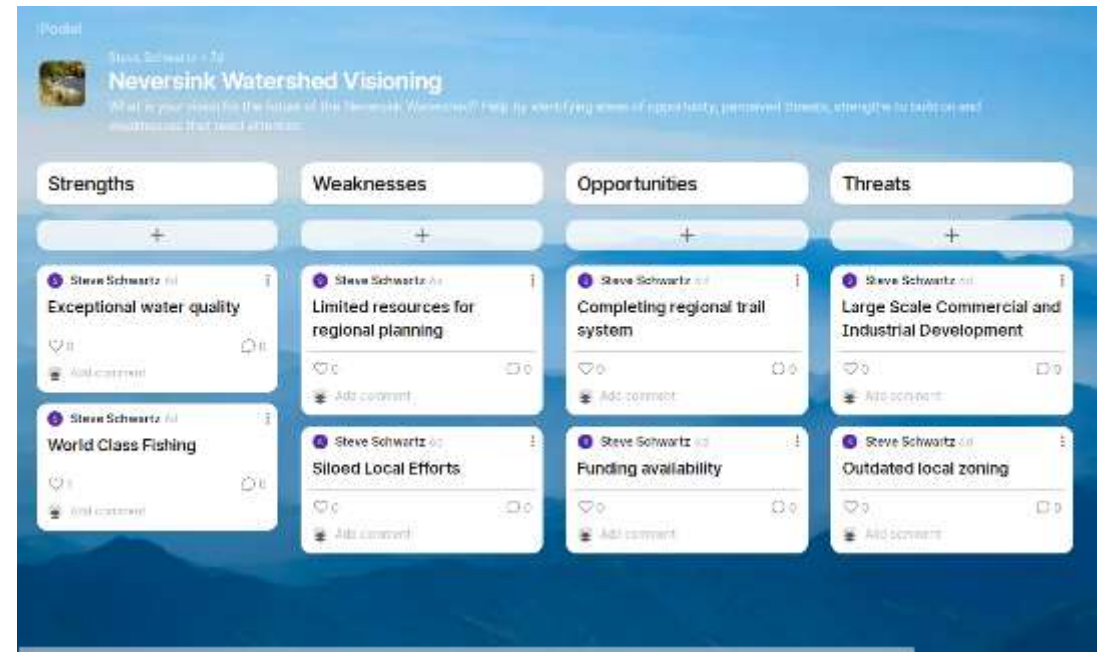
There will be a **visioning session scheduled in 2 months** for all stakeholders to participate in developing a vision to guide the NWMP including goals and objectives for the entire watershed and for sub watersheds encompassing multiple political jurisdictions, recreational interests, economic development, land conservation, cultural and historical values.

Neversink Watershed Strengths Weaknesses Opportunities Threats

As a prelude to a Neversink Watershed Visioning Session we invite you to help identify issues of concern and opportunities now and in the future in your local sub-watershed and throughout the basin

Go to this link and add to the list. At this stage, no issue is too small nor too large to consider in the vision for the watershed.

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Questions

