

3R'S STATUS CHECK

Most of us now try to RECYCLE & 'do our part' but sometimes our best intentions can be misguided. SECT Regional Resource Recovery Authority (SCRRRA) audits deliveries to regional recycling contractor, Casella Waste Systems, and found:

THE TOP THREE *non-recyclables* found in residential bins are:

1. **Textiles** (incl. clothes & linens)
2. **Garden Hoses** and
3. **Polystyrene** (i.e. Styrofoam)

So, what *should* we do with these?

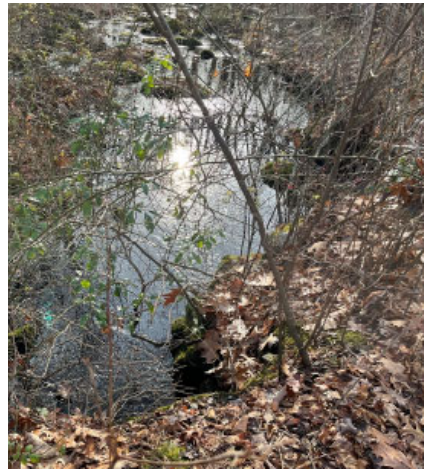


TEXTILES such as linens, towels, and clothes can now be **dropped at the Flanders Transfer Station free of charge.**

While **HOSES** & **POLYSTYRENE**, regrettably, still **belong in your household trash**, as industry tries to find paths to profitability.



In the meantime though, clever ways to REPURPOSE non-recyclables can be found online— such as using hose to trap earwigs or hang yard tools; or crumbled styrofoam for drainage in plant pots. Thanks for continuing to ♻️ Reduce — Reuse — Recycle ♻️



Atlas Technical Consultants conducted its Flanders Road Landfill annual **water quality monitoring** on December 5th. Reviews consist of a walk of the grounds, sampling & analysis, trend evaluation, and a written report. Expectedly, results found a continuing localized issue at the Transfer Station office water supply well, but no further surface or ground water issues. At left: a Fort Hill Brook sampling site, Below: ground-water sampling well heads.



... Various Goings On

- **Double-ground wood chips** are now available at the Flanders Road Transfer Station. As usual, it is shovel your own, plus first-come, first-served.
- Electric Boat gave notice they will perform a dye test in the Thames River the last week of November
- Roads & Streets crews are working on **pothole repairs** on River Road and Winding Hollow Road.
- The last week of November, bathrooms at Esker Point & Poquonnock Plains Parks will be closed for the winter.
- Utilities at Claude Chester School are being shut off.
- Look for the **flag poles** that which Roads & Streets installed on behalf of the Groton Beautification committee in the islands of the Ring Drive neighborhood.