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GROTON teams with "SAVE THE SOUND"

GMTV launched a new public television series in October, "Clean Water Ways." The show is in partnership with multi-state environmental non-profit 'Save the Sound' and will focus on protecting surface waters by reducing pollution.

"As a shoreline community it is important for us to do all we can to keep our waters healthy," said Lauren Post, the show's host & a Groton resident who works in the Office of Economic Development. In the first episode, Post talks with Nicole Davis, Save the Sound's watershed coordinator.

The show will air three times a year and cover town efforts to improve waterways, how physical habitat changes alter water paths, and ways for residents and business to improve water quality. There will also be a fun child's perspective in a regular "Wat-er You Talking About?" segment, with guest host Jessica Patterson, from Parks & Recreation, and featuring local schoolchildren.

The program can be found on Groton Municipal Television's YouTube channel and is being aired locally on Channel 2 (Comcast Xfinity of Groton and Atlantic Broadband of Groton), and Frontier Vantage TV Channel 6110.

Public Works initiated the effort in support of the CT DEEP General Permit for Discharge of Stormwater from Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems, or the "MS4". The permit, which applies to 130 municipalities, governs management of rainwater that flows over roofs, streets, & parking lots—into our stormwater system— and out into waterways without filtration. The permit seeks to reduce town pollution and protect residents' health, recreation, and natural resources.





Check out the map & video content yourself: www.stormwaterinnovation.org

Storm Drains Best Practices Field Trip

Represented 10/27 on an afternoon trip to the **Providence Stormwater Innovation Center** at Roger Williams Park:

Public Works' Engineering & Administration, OPDS / Planning,
Groton City Public Works, Groton Conservation Commission,
and Groton Open Space Association (GOSA). It was one of the
rare times participants are happy for a rainy day field trip!



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