

Local Statistics (5)

- Pomperaug Watershed is also of high quality.
- Ground water is healthy enough to drink without treatment.
- Connecticut is one of only 2 states that do not receive industrial or municipal treated discharges.
- Failing septic systems are the main cause for pollution problems.

Us Environmental Protection Agency Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water (6)

- Protects health of citizens and ensures safe drinking water.
- Oversee implementation of the Safe Water Drinking Act.
- Monitors and analyzes reports on contaminants in drinking water.
- Identify populations vulnerable to drinking water contaminants.
- Work on the level of the public and other partnerships to help identify problems and prevent others from occurring.
- Public involvement is believed to be a key to their success.
- They work with different governmental levels to help ensure that water systems meet strict standards.
- They protect 90% of Americans who rely on public drinking water to be safe.

Ground Water Foundation (7)

- 2 main goals are to have ground water be accessible and understandable to all citizens.
- Pollution prevention is the most important and effective way to protect ground water.
- Implement national and international programs while also starting local programs to help protect ground water.
- Have specialized programs and publications directed towards youth.
- Started the Ground Water Guardian, which was started in 1994 to keep ground water safe, and support and recognize communities that are taking positive steps to protect ground water.
- Ground water education is vital to communities everywhere.
- Spread importance of ground water through publications, conferences and other organizations.

Connecticut's Clean Water Fund (8)

- Provides financial assistance through grants and loans to districts that want to improve pollution control.
- Districts receive a grant of 20% of the total and a loan for the rest.
- This fund is one the most generous in the United States.
- Check treatment plants regularly to ensure they are operating safely.
- This fund is the 3rd largest public works program in Connecticut.
- Other states only meet minimum requirements, while the Connecticut's Clean Water Fund matches 10 times the federal Funding.



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