Table 11-3 Massachusetts Stream Teams & Watershed Associations Participating in the Adopt-A-Stream Program

Watershed	Stream Team	Accomplishments*
Blackstone River	Blackstone Headwaters Coalition/Tatnuck Brook	Worked with municipal agencies to remove sediments from Airport Hill.
	Blackstone Headwaters Coalition/Ararat Brook	Reported a pollution site on park land to DPW and an interagency group is investigating problem.
	Miscoe Brook Stream Team	In collaboration with the Blackstone Valley Regional Vo-Tech School produced a resident's guide describing practices to protect the resources of Miscoe Brook and mailed it to all watershed residents.
Buzzards Bay	Hands Across the River	Reported a spill from a tanker operation; worked for sewer expansion to prevent direct discharge of sewage.
Charles River	Cutler Park to Commonwealth Ave Stream Team/CRWA	Currently working with town officials to create a buffer for the river.
	Charles River Lakes District Stream Team/CRWA	Reported shopping carts in the river to the local Stop 'n Shop, who removed the carts.
	Lower Charles River Basin Stream Team/CRWA	Compiled a Pipe Report listing all pipes and their condition for EPA, DEP, and CRWA.
Fore River	Fore River Watershed Stream Teams	Currently conducting a water quality monitoring program.
Ipswich River	Headwaters Stream Team/IRWA	Currently monitoring streams to help enforce the MA River Protection Act.
	Reading/North Reading Stream Team/IRWA	Installed gage to monitor flow; sponsored walks on river with legislators & state-level decision makers to highlight low flow.
	Friends of Fish Brook/IRWA	Used Shoreline Survey Action Plan to support purchase of land along brook; working with Essex County Conservation District to remediate erosion.
	Friends of the Miles River/IRWA	Sent a golfing member to talk with local golf courses about how management practices may affect water quantity.
Hoosic River	North Hoosic River Stream Team/HooRWA	Brought together members from three towns and two states to investigate this rural/urban river.

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Housatonic River	West Branch Stream Team/HVA	Preparing for Shoreline Survey to be conducted September 1998.
Merrimack River	Friends of the Powow River	Currently supporting a student group's study and advocacy of the river.
	Little River Explorers/MRWC	After finding that a blocked sewer pipe was sending sewage into river, Haverhill city employees
		(members of the Stream Team) removed the blockage and rerouted sewage to treatment plant.

Mount Hope Bay	Pokenoket Watershed Association (Runnins River)	After completing Shoreline and Pipe Surveys and water quality monitoring, worked with state agencies to remediate a Mobil Oil Station spill; by virtue of their persistence, monitoring and partnering with local state & federal government, helped reopen Hundred Acre Cove thus achieving one of their major goals.
Mystic River	Alewife/Mystic River Explorers	Worked with Somerville and Riverways Urban Program to obtain a s.319 grant to identify and remediate urban storm water.
	Medford/Friends of the Mystic River	Reported a leaking pipe (sewage smell) to MWRA who repaired it.
Nashua River	Unkety Brook Stream Team	Used their Shoreline Survey results to help gain state Conservation Services money to purchase land adjacent to brook.
Neponset River	Canton River Watershed Watchdogs/NepRWA	Conducted an intensive temperature monitoring program to further investigate high temperatures identified by DEP.
	Hawes Brook Protection Society/NepRWA	Wanting to restore pools and riffles to the stream (channelized in '50s) worked with DFW and Tufts students to design a plan for fish enhancement.
	Urban Neponset Stream Team/NepRWA	Reported a foul-smelling pipe discharge to NepRWA who found very high fecal coliform counts. Boston Water and Sewage Commission closed the pipe which benefitted the smelt run by reducing algal growth.
	Mother Brook Coalition/NepRWA	Worked with businesses and the town to begin to implement a trail system along the brook.
	Friends of the Neponset Estuary/NepRWA	Participated in the Smelt Stewardship Program (sponsored by Riverways Program and DMF); produced a habitat survey; lobbied successfully for the protection of an important parcel and lobbied MA Highway Department to redesign the Adams Street Bridge to protect smelt habitat and the Area of Critical Environmental Concern.

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North Coastal	Saugus River Watershed Council	Using data from Shoreline Survey, leveraged town funding to assess the sewer infrastructure.
	Babbling Brook Stream Team/Salem Sound 2000	Received a \$2500 grant from the Conservation Commission and a \$3000 grant from DEM Greenways to stabilize and revegetate a bank damaged by clear-cutting and dredging.
	Manchester Water Quality Group (Sawmill Brook)/Salem Sound 2000	Worked to get the dam at the end of Sawmill Brook lowered so that smelt could swim upstream over the dam.
Parker River	Headwaters Stream Team/Parker River Clean Water Association	Currently conducting a fish count to assess the health of river herring populations.
Shawsheen River	Upper Shawsheen Stream Teams/MRWC	completed their 1997 water quality monitoring program and used the Shoreline Survey results to locate sites for testing and to help assess the findings.
	Middle Shawsheen Stream Teams/MRWC	Completed their 1997 water quality monitoring program and used the Shoreline Survey results to locate sites for testing and to help assess the findings.

	Lower Shawsheen Stream Teams/MRWC	Completed their 1997 water quality monitoring program and used the Shoreline Survey results to locate sites for testing and to help assess the findings.
Sudbury, Assabet, and Concord Rivers	Hop Brook Protection Association	Worked with a local business to remove an informal dump next to the brook.
	Framingham Advocates for the Sudbury River	Reported areas of intense eutrophication to the town.
	Maynard/Assabet River Initiative/OAR	Worked with the town to remove old oil tanks next to river and is encouraging the town purchase the property as a buffer for the river.
	Fort Pond Brook (Acton) Stream Team/OAR	Reported problems to town officials and to the town consultants who added sites to their data base as part of a pilot pollution trading program.
	Nashoba Brook (Acton) Stream Team/OAR	Reported problems to town officials and to the town consultants who added sites to their data base as part of a pilot pollution trading program.
Taunton River	Taunton/Taunton River RAFT/TRWA	Currently preparing action plan.
Westfield River	Westfield River Watershed Association	Received a grant to complete their proposed river walk.

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