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Neighborhood Water Watch



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Partnering with Communities to Protect Local Waterways

Chattahoochee Riverkeeper needs your help to monitor the bacteria levels in our neighborhood waterways!

CRK partners with local communities through Neighborhood Water Watch (NWW) to collect and analyze samples from our local streams. When samples indicate poor water quality, CRK works to find and stop the contamination source. Join our team of dedicated NWW volunteers today and help keep watch over our waters!



Why do we monitor water quality?

E. coli is a species of fecal coliform bacteria that comes from the intestinal tracts of humans and warm-blooded animals. The presence of *E. coli* in streams indicates fecal contamination and the presence of harmful pathogens. Routine data collected by NWW shows how safe for recreation the water is over time. When NWW sampling indicates high levels of *E. coli*, CRK works with communities and government agencies to identify and remedy potential sources.



How you can help

- Collect routine (weekly or bi-weekly) water samples from your local stream with supplies provided by CRK.
- Deliver the samples to CRK's lab, where CRK staff tests them for E. coli with EPA-approved equipment.
- Check your results on CRK's website by visiting www.chattahoochee.org/nww



CRK Lab Locations

6020 River View Road
Building 7000, Suite 100
Mableton, GA 30126

1500 GA-197
Clarkesville, GA 30523

4225 University Ave.
Lenoir Hall
Columbus, GA 31907

104 Washington St. NE
Gainesville, GA 30501

35 S. Lafayette Square
LaGrange, GA 30240

Program costs

Private and university labs typically charge \$56 per test for E. coli. Through the generous support of donors, CRK has purchased the same lab equipment and can test for E. coli at a much lower rate of approximately \$24 per test. We ask that participating community partner groups help fund the program by covering the costs at a rate of \$1,200 per year for weekly sampling or \$600 per year for bi-weekly sampling. Funding for these costs may be available through grant programs in some cases; please contact CRK for details.

Sample Drop Off Location

9135 Willeo Rd.
Chattahoochee Nature Center
Discovery Center Building
Roswell, GA 30075



Georgia Adopt-A-Stream

By joining the NWW Program, you will also be participating in Georgia's Adopt-A-Stream Program and the results will be entered into the state-wide database. Learn more about Adopt-A-Stream at www.georgiaadoptastream.com

For more information about Neighborhood Water Watch, please visit www.chattahoochee.org or contact Mike Meyer at mmeyer@chattahoochee.org

Chattahoochee Riverkeeper (CRK) is a non-profit, 501(c)(3) environmental advocacy organization with the mission of protecting and preserving the Chattahoochee River system for all the people and wildlife that depend upon it.

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