RIVER RANGER PROGRAM

The Norwalk River Watershed Association (NRWA) - with approval from local Conservation Commissions, land trusts, and other agencies--created and manages a special volunteer River Ranger Program to oversee and improve sections of the Norwalk River, Silvermine River, Comstock Brook, and other tributaries.

These volunteers are assigned a section of river to check a minimum of one or two times a year. The volunteers set their own time schedule, pick up litter in or beside the river, clear brush or debris from culverts, cut back invasive plant species and contact the NRWA if the volunteer needs extra help to solve a problem--such as huge or hazardous litter, large trees blocking a culvert, or sedimentation, erosion, or pollution problems. In the case of extreme special needs, the section may become the focus of an annual workday or cleanup.

If you're interested in becoming a River Ranger, please contact the NRWA for further information on sites that are in need of adoption. The opportunity is available to groups as well, such as Scouts, school groups or corporate volunteer groups.

Contact NRWA toll free at 877-NRWA-INFO (877-679-2463) or e-mail us at: info@norwalkriver.org.