



Dix River Watershed Stakeholder Questionnaire Summary

December 2019

- I. Future Stakeholder Meetings
 - a. Meeting Frequency: Majority selected Twice a Year
Will look at April-June for a spring meeting and Nov for our fall meetings
 - b. Time of Day: Top responses were Weekday Afternoons and Weekday Evenings

- II. Clean Water in Dix River
 - a. Public pride in water quality where contact with the water is not feared
 - b. Water quality that eliminates fear in drinking the water from local sources
 - c. Baptisms in the stream
 - d. Increased awareness of watershed issues and human impacts
 - e. Safe water for humans and animals is the main goal
 - f. Water that can be used for recreation and fishing
 - g. When people feel safe, healthy, and secure playing (recreating, floating, swimming, wading) in the water, most of the time
 - h. Water free of human littering, toxic ash pollution, and high silt levels
 - i. Creeks where it is safe to take kids to study macro-invertebrates, water quality, etc.

- III. Known Problem Areas
 - a. Herrington Lake algae
 - b. Pushback against Phase II sewer project along US-127
 - c. Flood control behind Boyle Co Middle School; plant native buffer along waterway
 - d. Increase access to public sewer is needed
 - e. Danville stormwater management issues
 - f. Quarry and factories contribute sediment and materials to the stream in Danville
 - g. Coal ash pollution of Herrington Lake
 - h. City of Stanford stormwater runoff in St. Asaph Creek through many backyards

- IV. Success Stories
 - a. Local interest in riparian buffer program
 - b. BGGGS septic repair and education program
 - c. Phase I sewer project complete, Hustonville Elementary connected
 - d. Hustonville-Ruritan Park has had increased interest and community gathering since the streamside buffer and park improvements project
 - e. Stream cleanups and engaging public

- V. Other Ideas/Additional Feedback
 - a. A display that can rotate through local libraries about our waterways, concerns, and what people can do to help
 - b. Additional stakeholder participation from local schools and higher education
 - c. Communication with sewer customers is problematic

- d. Interactive activities at local farmers markets
- e. Targeted outreach in Lincoln and Casey Co near Hustonville regarding NRCS watershed program funding
- f. Sharing water sampling results
- g. Interest in more information on Danville WWTP capacity and plant updates
- h. St Asaph was the original spring for Logan's Fort in 1776 as one of the three original forts in Kentucky – Lincoln Co pursuing a trail along the creek near the reconstruction of Logan's Fort. The trail will provide a great educational opportunity for citizens and visitors. Jane Vanhook is pursuing funding sources with the Logan's Fort Park and appreciates any ideas and help as the planning continues
- i. More active KRWW samplers needed in Dix River (those seeking more information on becoming a sampler will hear from Lindsie after the New Year)