

Welcome to Haw River Watch!

A Citizen Water Quality Project of the Haw River Assembly



The Haw River Assembly



is a non-profit citizens' group founded in 1982 to restore and protect the Haw River and Jordan Lake.



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River Watchers are stewards of their streams - and take action against pollution!

- ◆ Citizen teams throughout the Haw River watershed go out four times a year to monitor their creek or the Haw River.
- ◆ They collect data about their creek, including water temperature, pH, and the number and types of water bugs they find.



The data collected by River Watchers is useful in protecting the Haw Watershed.

- ◆ River Watch data is compiled by the Haw River Assembly (HRA), and the result is a view of the health of the river basin throughout the year.
- ◆ The Haw River Watch Report is posted and available to the public at the HRA website, www.hawriver.org.
- ◆ This data is used to help protect and restore Haw waterways.



You can help us protect streams by becoming a Haw River Watcher.

This five part presentation tells you how.



Contact the Haw River Assembly to get started.

- ◆ Contact Cynthia Crossen, HRA Haw River Watch Coordinator, to discuss joining an existing River Watch team or starting your own team:
riverwatch@hawriver.org, (919) 967-2500.
- ◆ Become a member of HRA to receive the HRA newsletter and email updates on watershed issues and upcoming events:
www.hawriver.org, (919) 542-5790.
- ◆ Consider a donation to help cover the cost of training sessions and monitoring equipment which HRA provides free to each River Watch team. PLEASE NOTE: *HRA membership and donations are not requirements in becoming a River Watcher.*



Take a look at our Haw River Watch Training Presentation.

This six-part, online presentation complements the free River Watch training session offered by HRA for River Watch team members.

- ◆ Welcome to Haw River Watch!
- ◆ Part 1: Overview of Haw River Watershed Issues
- ◆ Part 2: Introduction to the Haw River Watch Project
- ◆ Part 3: Measuring Water Quality, Monitoring Survey Section A *Assessing stream health using simple tests, observations, and macro sampling*
- ◆ Part 4: Collecting Aquatic Macroinvertebrates as Water Quality Indicators
- ◆ Part 5: Identifying Aquatic Macroinvertebrates
- ◆ Part 6: Assessing Stream Health, Monitoring Survey Section B *Observing stream characteristics such as condition of stream banks, shade, and land uses*