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## NEWS from the CWC

### CWC awards 22 Education Grants

MARGARETVILE, June 4, 2011 – Twenty-two education grants totaling nearly \$130,000 were recently approved by the Catskill Watershed Corporation (CWC) Board of Directors.

The awards will go to schools and non-profit organizations serving school-age students and their teachers in the Catskills and in New York City. This is the 14<sup>th</sup> year that grants have been distributed for projects and programs to heighten awareness and understanding of the New York City water system and its vast Watershed West of the Hudson River.

A total of 377 Watershed Education grants have been awarded to date in partnership with the New York City Department of Environmental Protection. The Round 14 grants approved at the May 3 CWC board meeting will fund projects ranging from classroom trout raising to rain barrel making; environmental career exploration to stream management outreach; sustainable agriculture in a rural community to water conservation in a Harlem neighborhood.

Several schools will send students to Frost Valley and Ashokan environmental education centers; others will host productions of “City That Drinks the Mountain Sky,” by Arm-of-the-Sea Theater.

Recipients of CWC Education Grants this year include, from the Watershed: Roxbury, Jefferson, Gilboa-Conesville, Liberty and Sidney Central Schools as well as Phoenicia Elementary School; and Cornell Cooperative Extension of Sullivan County.

New York City-based recipients are Friends of PS 166, Central Park East II Elementary School, Horticultural Society of New York, Grow NYC, Rocking the Boat; PS 57, PS 321, Young Women’s Leadership School, Cooke Center Academy, Eltingville Lutheran School, Earth School, NY Harbor School, Neighborhood School PTA.

Trout Unlimited will also receive a grant to assist dozens of schools participating in its Trout in the Classroom Program.

The CWC is a non-profit, local development corporation responsible for several environmental protection, economic development and education programs in the New York City Watershed West of the Hudson River. For more information, go to [www.cwconline.org](http://www.cwconline.org), or call toll-free 877-928-7433.

Teachers, parents and school administrators will find information on Watershed and environmental education resources and programs at [www.watershededucators.org](http://www.watershededucators.org)

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