

WATER WATCH

Connecticut

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Keeping Vital Space Open – And Ecologically Healthy

Aquarion has protected another 72 acres of forested land in Fairfield County through the sale of property to the Town of Greenwich and the Greenwich Land Trust.

The Town and Land Trust will manage the new Converse Brook Preserve as a natural area, while also allowing the public to enjoy hiking, birding and nature viewing.

With the land on Lake Avenue unnecessary for protecting Greenwich's water sources, Aquarion offered to sell it to the Town and Land Trust to preserve vital open space in the community.

Whether through outright ownership or through partnerships with municipalities and conservation organizations, Aquarion is helping protect rich natural resources on over 20,000 acres of land. In July, for example, Aquarion negotiated an agreement with landowners to protect over 15 pristine acres in Easton through which streams feed Easton Lake Reservoir.

These environmental agreements help guarantee the long-term protection of these lands while reducing the amount of treatment needed to ensure our customers receive safe, high-quality water – a win-win for the communities we serve.



Time For A Recharge

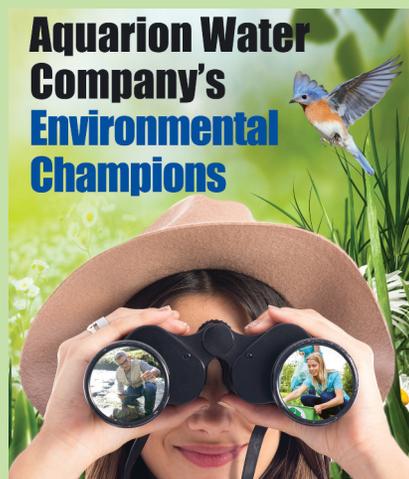
With drought conditions and high water demands throughout the summer and fall, our water systems require a recharge. Water usage is typically lowest in the winter months. This period allows



our reservoirs and wells to recover and fill in time for higher spring usage. Please remember to use water wisely over the winter months, and give our water sources a long-deserved break. Visit www.aquarionwater.com/conserve for easy indoor conservation tips.

Aquarion Celebrates Its 2020 Environmental Champions

For 2020, Aquarion's Environmental Champion Award winners are being celebrated virtually. The awards were presented online by U.S. Senator Richard Blumenthal, Public Utilities Regulatory Authority Vice Chairman John Betkoski III, Aquarion President Don Morrissey, and Aquarion Director of Sustainability & Environmental Management Carolyn Giampe.



Congratulations to our 2020 winners! You can find the stories behind their outstanding accomplishments at www.aquarionwater.com/champions.

- Sikorsky, A Lockheed Martin Company – Large Business**
– Stratford, CT
- Pomperaug River Watershed Coalition – Non-Profit**
– Woodbury, CT
- Connecticut Woodlands Magazine – Communications**
– Rockfall, CT
- Fabricare Cleaners – Small Business** – Norwalk, CT
- Cyril May – Adult** – Waterbury, CT
- Nisha Nalawade – Student** – Darien, CT

Did You Know?

Every time you replace a water fixture is a chance to save more water – simply by purchasing products with the EPA's special WaterSense label. Visit www.epa.gov/watersense to learn more.

