

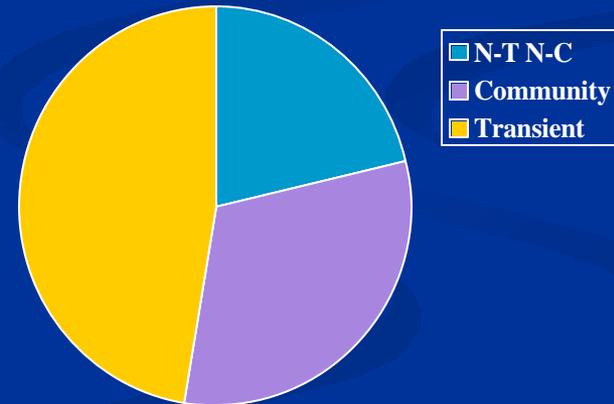
**Getting Help
with
Source Water Protection**

New Hampshire's Experience

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Source Water Protection: New Hampshire Fun Facts

- 60% of population relies on public water, remainder on private wells (mostly in fractured bedrock)
- 2212 Public Water Systems
 - 1050 Sources Serving Hotels, Restaurants, etc
 - 690 Sources Serving Community Water Supplies
 - 472 Sources Serving Work Places, Schools etc



- 3030 Sources of Drinking Water
 - 1308 Sources Serving Community Water Supplies
 - 57 Surface Water Sources (50% of CWS population served)
 - 527 Sources Serving Work Places, Schools etc
 - 1195 Sources Serving Hotels, Restaurants, etc

Source Water Protection: New Hampshire Fun Facts

- New Hampshire has had staff dedicated to Source Water Protection since 1989
- 75% of Community Systems had protection programs in place prior to assessments
 - Chemical Monitoring Waiver
- Leveraging and early investment in geographic information system was key

Recognized In Early 1990s

- Large Number of Sources

- Small Dedicated Staff

- **Need Help !!!!!!!**

GOT HELP

- Targeted Remediation: State and Federal
- Targeted Outreach/ Assistance
 - Agricultural Issues
 - Household Hazardous Waste Collection
 - Non-point Source Grant Funding
 - Federal Program Help – NERWA, etc
 - Prioritization for other Financial Assistance
 - Drinking Water Infrastructure Projects
 - State Land Conservation Funding

GOT HELP

- Targeted Prevention
 - Underground Storage Tanks
 - RCRA – Hazardous Waste Generators
 - Underground Injection Control (trains local protectors)
 - Multi-media inspectionsI
 - Pesticides
 - Transportation Planning and Construction
 - Sanitary Survey Integration

Success in Getting Help

- Getting folks interested and focused on protecting source waters
- Identifying what their role is
- Making it easy/ Taking stewardship role

Important Vehicle:

**Groundwater and
Drinking Water Strategy**

(formerly CSGWPP)

Concept: System for Continuous Improvement in Protecting Groundwater and Source Water

- Identify Stakeholders
- Ask them what they see as greatest protection needs individually
- As a group, identify priority needs and who needs to be involved in addressing them
- Set goals
- Report on Progress
- Do it all again

Key Elements

- Requires **Communication**
 - Individual Interviews
 - Progress updates
- Identifies who needs to do what
- Provides sense of shared purpose
- Acknowledges success

Important Tips

- **Communicate, communicate, communicate, communicate.....**
 - Meet Routinely with Partners
 - Strategy Progress Report
 - News Letter: “The Source”
 - Web Site : <http://www.des.state.nh.us/dwspp>
 - Outreach events

Other Important Tips

- Did I say **communicate** ?
- Acknowledge/Appreciate Partners
- Source Water Protection is our only child...
 - It takes a village, but the other villagers have other children to nurture as well