

The Town has completed a Project designed to improve the Quality of Stormwater leaving the Highway Department Facility on Burnham Road and flowing to the Bronx River.

Funded by the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation – Bronx River Watershed Initiative in the amount of \$169,550, with a local share cost share of \$25,000 provided by the Town, the Project included the installation of a Terre Kleen Hydrodynamic Separator which removes oils, floatables and sediment from facility stormwater runoff before it flows to the Bronx River and the installation of a vehicle washing station which directs vehicle wash water to the Sanitary Sewer System. Operation and maintenance of the Hydrodynamic Separator is the responsibility of the Highway Department. Staff will receive training concerning the need for the Separator and its relationship to Stormwater Management. The Separator will be inspected monthly and cleaned at least 4 times a year as needed.

In addition to the operation and maintenance responsibilities, Highway Department staff will measure the volume of oils, floatables and sediment collected during the cleaning process and report the data collected annually to National Fish and Wildlife Foundation to help in evaluating the success of the project. The volume of oils, floatables and sediment collected at this single facility will act as a catalyst to promote public awareness in understanding the need at the local, state and national levels of government to improve water quality.

The completed project now becomes part of the Town's overall Stormwater Management Plan, which is designed to educate and inform residents and businesses about the need to improve water quality by eliminating illicit discharges when going about their daily activities.