

Phillips Brook Watershed Management Plan

Steering Committee Meeting May 24, 2016

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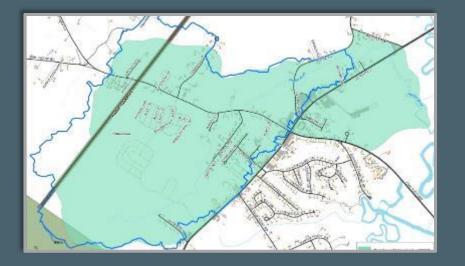




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Steering Committee Purpose & Expectations





You Know Phillips Brook

You Know People

Introductions



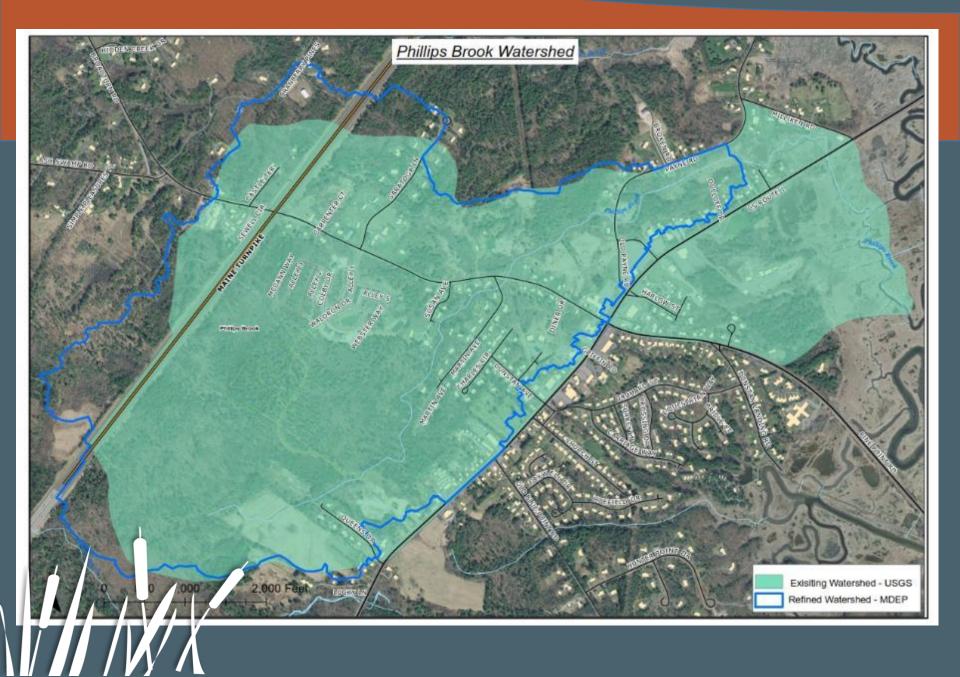




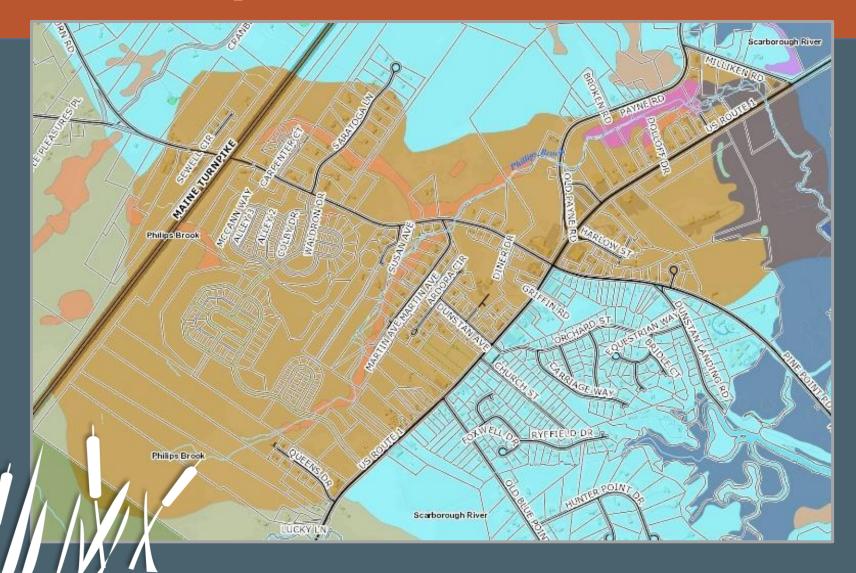




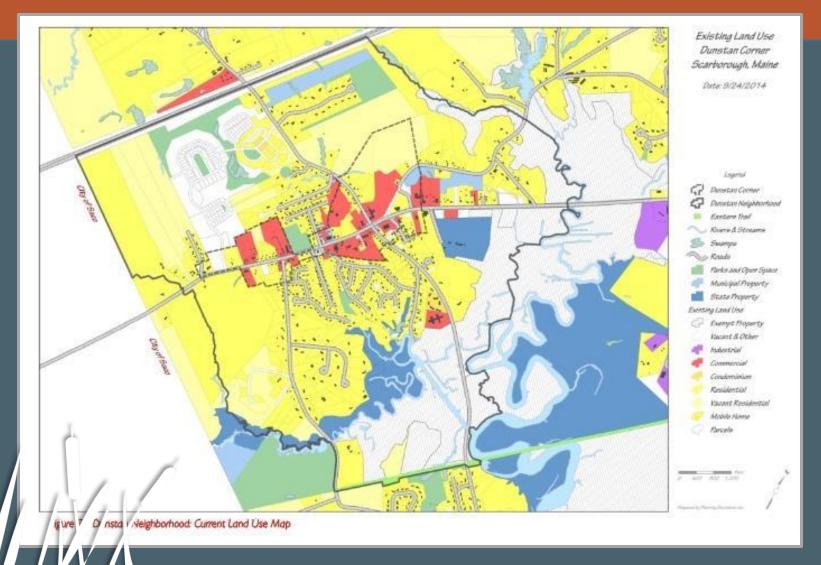




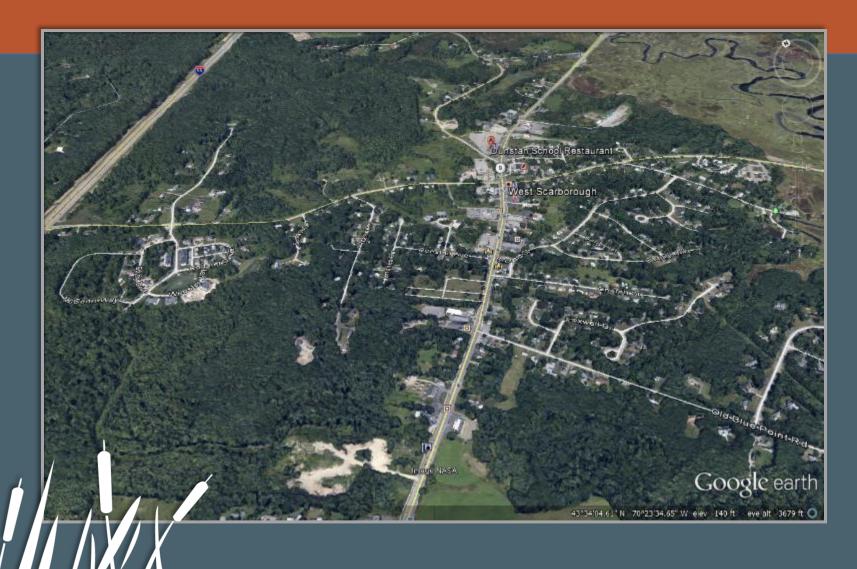
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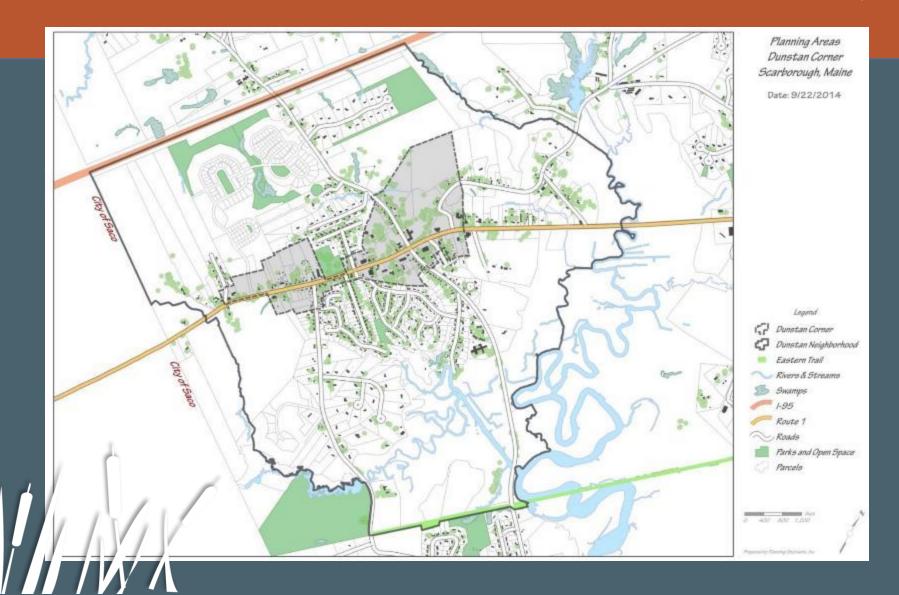
Land Use in the Watershed



Dunstan Neighborhood



Dunstan Revitalization Strategy



Dunstan Corner Goals

- Foster a renewed village center
- Increase private investment development
 & redevelopment
- Enhance visual character & identity
- Build residential neighborhood & diversity
- Improve street network for cars, bikes & pedestrians

Management Plan Goals

- Produce a locally-supported Watershed Management Plan
- Address existing development, redevelopment, and new development
- Gear the Management Plan to be key component in Dunstan Revitalization
- Prioritize watershed needs

Management Plan Goals

- Detail what is needed to improve and protect water quality and aquatic habitat
- Identify an implementation plan



Management Plan Strategy

- 1. Build partnerships.
- 2. Characterize the watershed to identify issues.
- 3. Set goals and identify solutions.
- 4. Design an implementation program.
- 5. Implement the watershed plan.
- 6. Measure progress and make adjustments.

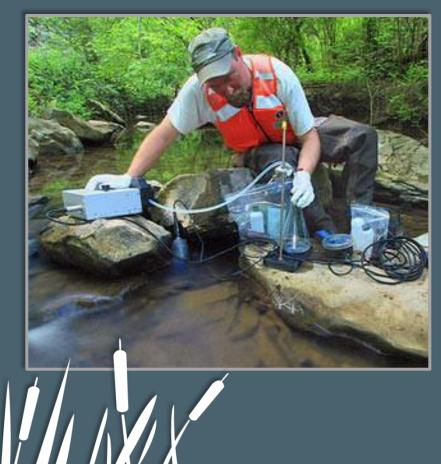
Management Plan Strategy

- Evaluate pre-existing information (underway)
- Stream corridor

 assessment (initial
 stream walk done,
 comprehensive
 assessment planned)



Management Plan Strategy



- Water quality monitoring
- Stressor identification
- Stormwater retrofit inventory / Engineering assessment

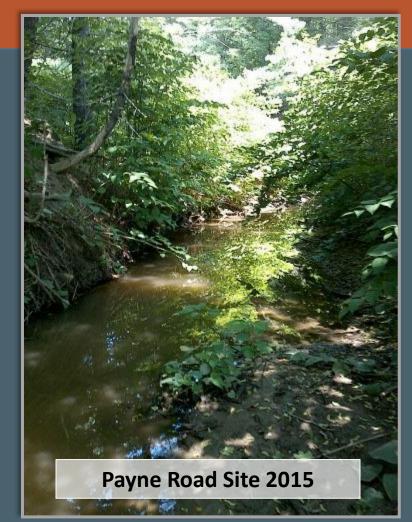
Phillips Brook Water Quality

• DEP Lists:

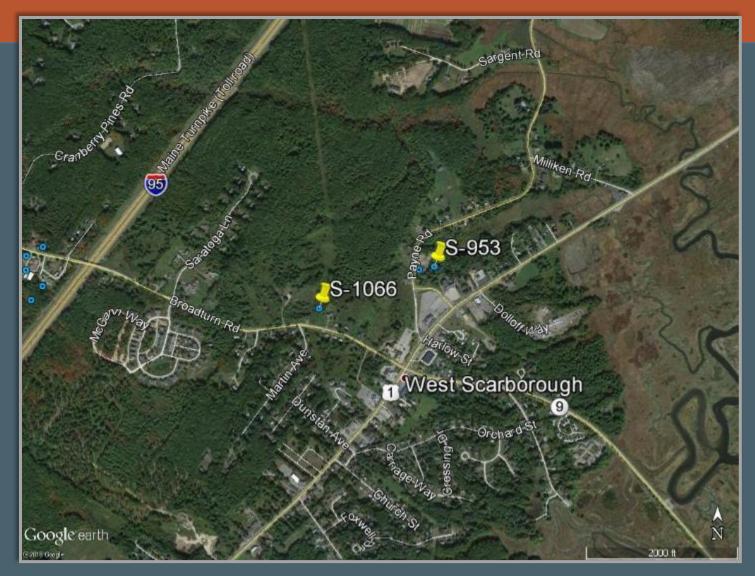
- NPS Priority Watershed
- Urban Impaired Stream (Ch 502)
- Impaired (Integrated Report)
 - Habitat Assessment
 - Dissolved Oxygen

• Monitoring:

- Macroinvertebrates 2010, 2015
- Instantaneous samples 2006
- Continuous monitoring 2010



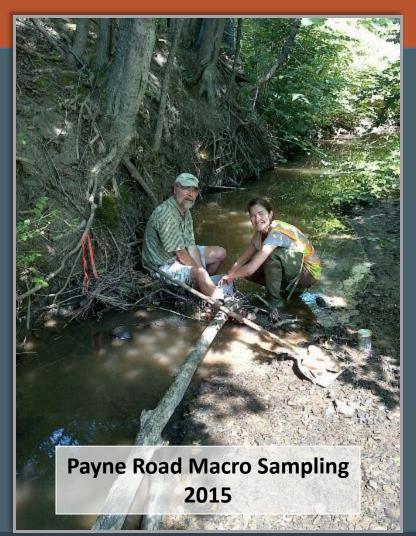
Phillips Brook Monitoring Locations



Macroinvertebrate Sampling

Class C stream

- 2010 Indeterminate
 - Payne Rd
 - decent diversity, not enough bugs
- 2015 Met standards, barely
 - Aquatic community showing stress
 - Tolerant organisms were dominant
 - Payne Rd
 - decent diversity, not enough bugs
 - Broadturn Rd
 - more bugs, less diversity



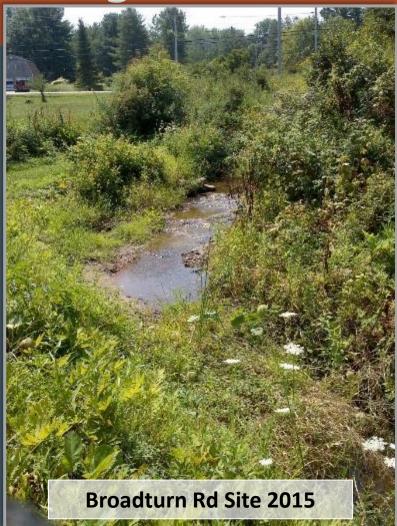


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Other Monitoring

• 2006

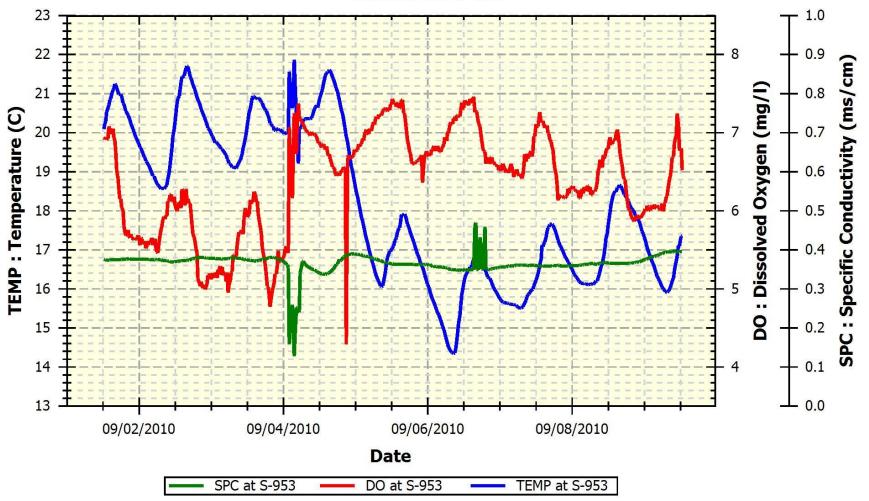
- For TMDL
- 5 sampling events
- August, Sept, Nov
- DO, SPC, Temp, pH, N, P, TSS, metals, E. Coli, chlorophyll a
- 2010
 - Sonde deployment
 - Sept 1 to Sept 9
 - DO, SPC, Temp





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Station ID: S-953



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Phillips Brook Water Quality Summary

What we think are stressors so far

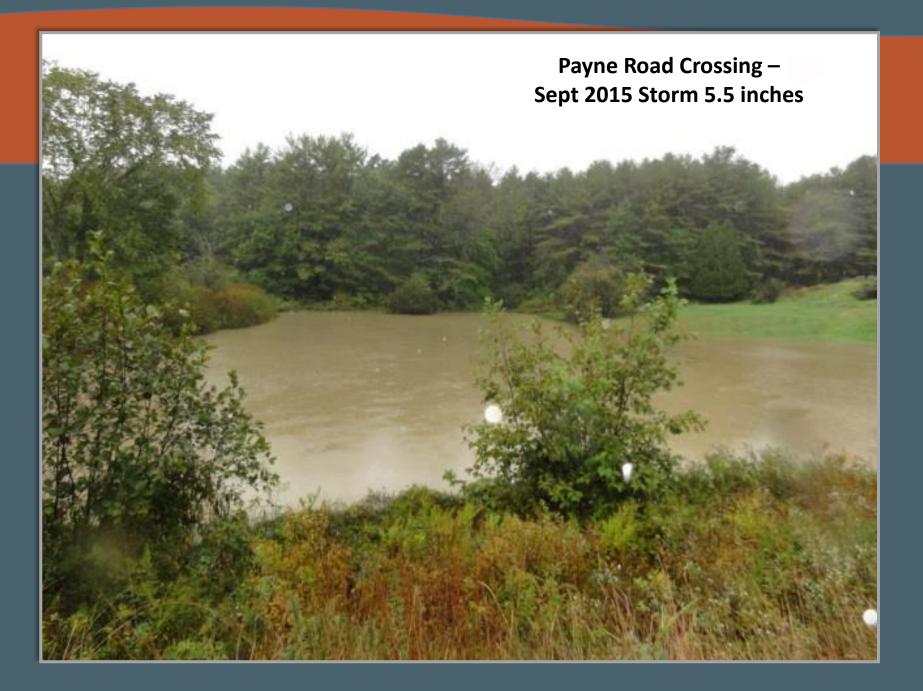
- Flow regimes
 - high and low
- Habitat issues
 - stream sediment moves around
- DO lows
- Possible nutrient issue?
- Conductivity high on one tributary
 - concerns for future





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Broadturn Rd Crossing – Sept 2015 Storm 5.5 inches



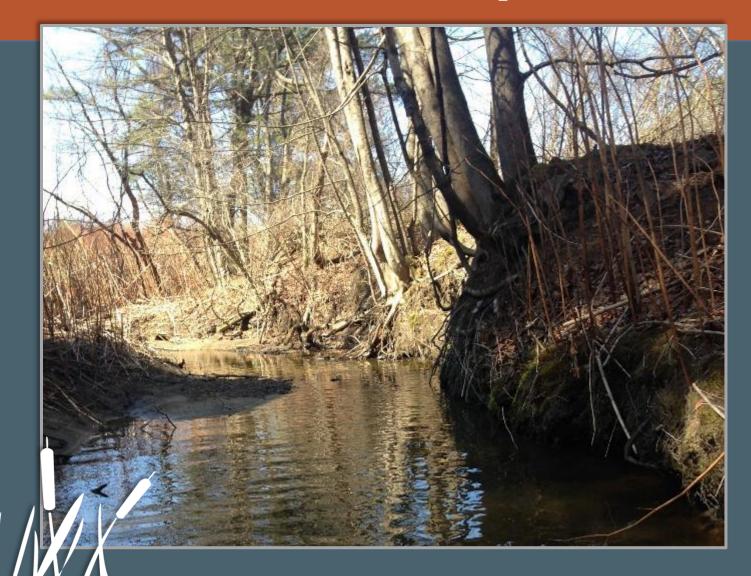
Stream Corridor Assessment



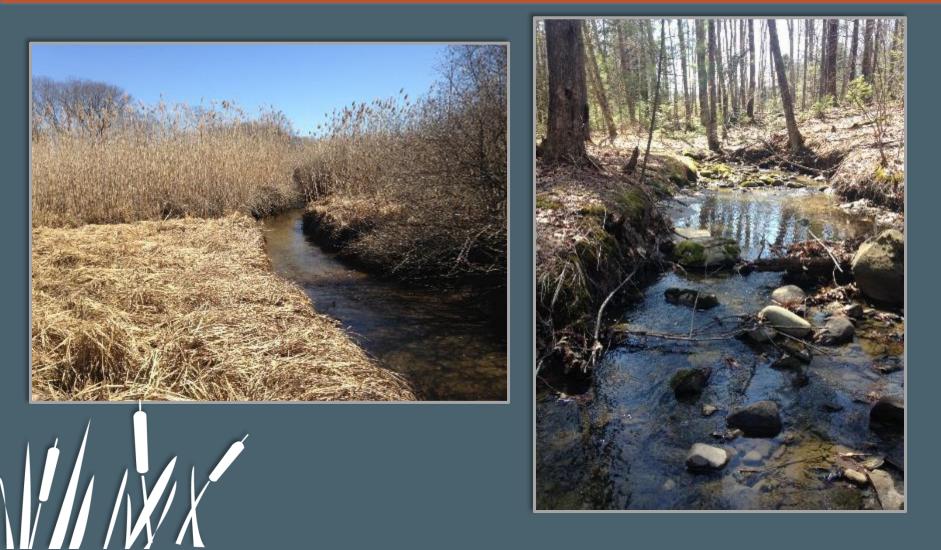
Road Crossings



Loss of Floodplain



Channel Alterations



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Community Involvement

- Who else should be involved in the committee?
- Who should receive outreach from the committee?
- What are your main concerns about development within the watershed?
- What known stressors exist within the watershed?
- Are there any legacy toxic sources?



Questions?

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