

February 15, 2023
Dear Riverton Neighbors:

Good afternoon! You are receiving this email because you expressed interest in receiving information about the Riverton Environmental Commission and/or Green Team when you pledged to participate in a recent Green Challenge (shop local, leave the leaves, and salt). If you no longer wish to be on this email list, simply respond to me and let me know. I will remove you. We plan to send out a monthly email like this one with a few notes.

Upcoming Meetings

This month (tomorrow), we will hold a joint Environmental Commission/Green Team Meeting online. You are all cordially invited to participate. The meeting will take place Thursday, February 16, 7:30PM, via Zoom. Please use the link below to log in.

Environmental Commission & Green Team Meeting
Thursday, February 16, 2023, 7:30-8:30pm eastern
Join Zoom Meeting

<https://antioch.zoom.us/j/8507254422>

Meeting ID: 850 725 4422

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Meeting ID: 850 725 4422

Find your local number: <https://antioch.zoom.us/u/acuvT5tgfE>

Some topics of discussion will include updates from the Borough, Riverton School Native Plant Rain Garden sign and garden maintenance, Green Team initiatives, and more! We would love to hear from you so we know what your concerns are.

Stay in the Know

Want to stay on top of environmental issues? The Association of NJ Environmental Commissions (ANJEC) sends out a newsletter every two weeks featuring local as well as national environmental issues. The newsletter is free, and you can sign up here: <http://www.anjecnews.com/>.

Don't Forget! New Green Challenge

This winter, the Green Team would love for your household to [consider pledging to use alternatives to road salt](#) on your property when it snows or gets icy. Salt is effective, but it ends-up in our water systems, can harm our ecosystem, and can damage our infrastructure.

Keep your property safe, but we encourage you to try alternatives such as: play sand, coffee grounds, bird seed, or mixing one of those items with conventional salt. You can learn more about road salt "best practices" here at the Izaak Walton League of America: <https://www.iwla.org/water/stream-monitoring/salt-watch/road-salt-best-practices>. Please sign up if you're interested in giving it a try! Click here to participate: bit.ly/RivGreenSalt If we can get 2.8% or more of Riverton Households to pledge, we may be able to earn points toward our Sustainable New Jersey certification (<https://www.sustainablejersey.com>). Certification can, in turn, help us apply for grant money.

Resources to Explore

Want to learn more about the health of the waterway near you or anywhere in the US? Check out the Environmental Protection Agency's website "How's My Waterway" and start exploring: <https://mywaterway.epa.gov/>.

Social Media

You can follow us on social media for more regular updates.

Green Team Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/riverton_green_team/

Environmental Commission Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/RivertonEnvironmentalCommission/>

Borough Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/RivertonNJ>

Borough Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/boroughofrivertonnj/>

Thank you for your interest in environmental and sustainability issues in Riverton!

Sincerely,

Nicole Belolan

On behalf of Chairs Kathy Simon and Katie Lucas, and the Riverton Environmental Commission and Green Team

<https://riverton-nj.com/environmental-commission/>