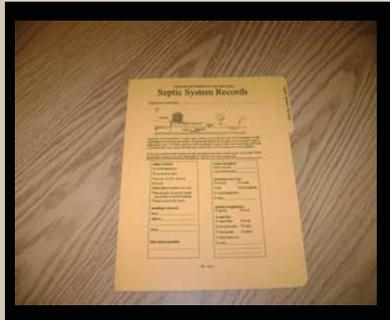


The **Septic Records** folder produced by the RCE Water Resources Program is now ready to ship! This file folder has been produced to encourage homeowners to keep track of inspection, pump-outs, and repairs of their septic system. The folder contains valuable information on how a septic system and leach field work, maintenance requirements, and the do's and don't's of owning and maintaining a septic system. *Plus, no more lost receipts and missing phone numbers!*

For more information, please contact Cheryl Burdick at (732) 932-9800 ext. 6106. Folders will be sold in quantities of 50 at a cost of only \$1 per folder.



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WATER CONSERVATION PROGRAM FOR NEW JERSEY

The Rutgers Cooperative Extension Water Resources Program, in partnership, with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, received a grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to develop a community based water conservation education pilot program.

The partnership will result in the creation of a pilot program that will focus on promoting a responsible water-use ethic in both the private and public sectors and reduce overall water use. The Water Conservation Program for New Jersey will serve as a clearinghouse for exchanging information on water-wise practices and is projecting a 10% reduction in residential water use as a result of the program. This comprehensive educational program will involve informational seminars, in-classroom exercises, demonstrations, media relations, advertising, as well as continuing education opportunities for professional groups.

Conservation can save water utilities and the State considerable capital expenditures over the long term by delaying or even eliminating the need to develop new or expanded water supply systems and wastewater treatment plants. Reducing water use is a major component of the State's water supply planning efforts.

As New Jersey's population continues to grow and water sources are further constrained, more must be done to safeguard a sustainable water supply. Promoting the efficient use of water will help meet this goal for generations to come. For more information please contact Elaine Rossi, Program Coordinator at 732-932-9800 x 6129.

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Rain Garden Research and Extension Symposium

May 29-30, 2008

This two-day symposium is geared towards researchers, technical professionals and educators and will cover the latest research topics, successful case studies, and practical training from experts from around the country.

Watershed Management and the University Part - II

June 4, 2008

This is a follow-up to the working conference of the same name that was held at Rutgers University in 2003. Faculty, researchers and watershed stakeholders will come together to discuss statewide curriculum development, examples from in and out-of-state institutions, the integration of research, education and extension, and other topics. It will serve as the beginning step of a working group that will meet to follow-up on implementing identified goals.

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