



Dairy Farmer Works with Community and CEI to Protect Water Resource

CEI is proud to be working with the Manchaug Pond Foundation (MPF) and Whittier Farms to design and construct stormwater Best Management Practices (BMPs) on the 500+ acre farm. The MPF recently received a s.319 Nonpoint Source Pollution Grant funded by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and administered by the MA Department of Environmental Protection to help improve the water quality of Manchaug Pond.

With over 500 acres of farmland within the Manchaug Pond watershed, the Whittier Family has volunteered many labor hours to help make some unique watershed improvements designed by CEI. Cooperatively working with Whittier Farms on this project will not only provide water quality improvements to Manchaug Pond but also serve as a tremendous opportunity to showcase the use of agricultural BMPs and facilitate new partnerships with the local farmers. CEI will also work with the Town of Sutton to construct additional stormwater improvements in a number of watershed areas.

While structural improvements are being made within the watershed, the MPF and CEI will simultaneously be working on a major education effort. Coordinating with local educators and stakeholders, the project will work to develop a comprehensive resource of materials for teachers, parents and children that may include web resources, study kits, and portable literature displays.

For more information about the Manchaug Pond Foundation visit www.manchaugpond.org and Whittier Farms at www.whittierfarms.com

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