



# DC FISH Davidson County citizens For Improving Stream Health



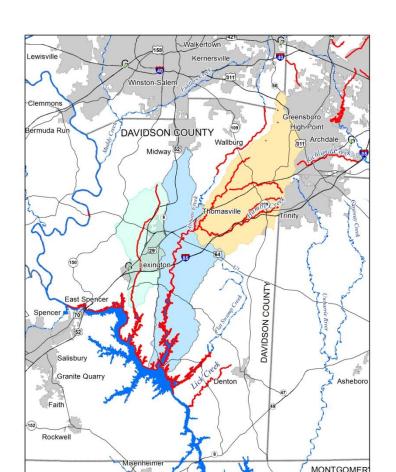
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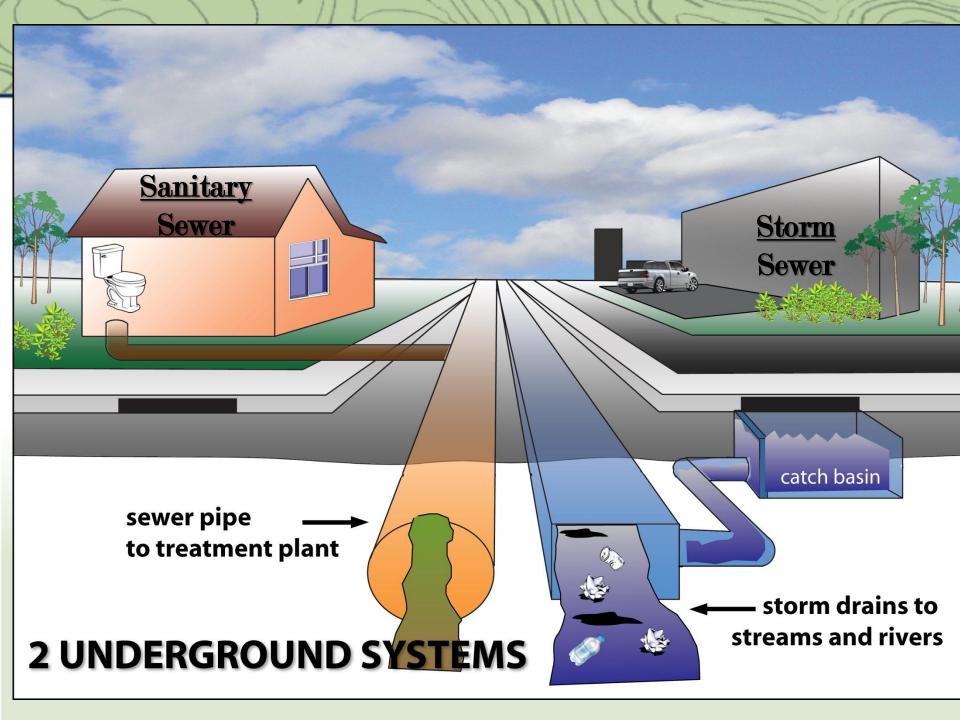


### What is a Watershed?









#### Holiday Treats, Watered Down

Measuring post-holiday spice levels in waterways helps scientists raise awareness of publics role in protecting water quality.

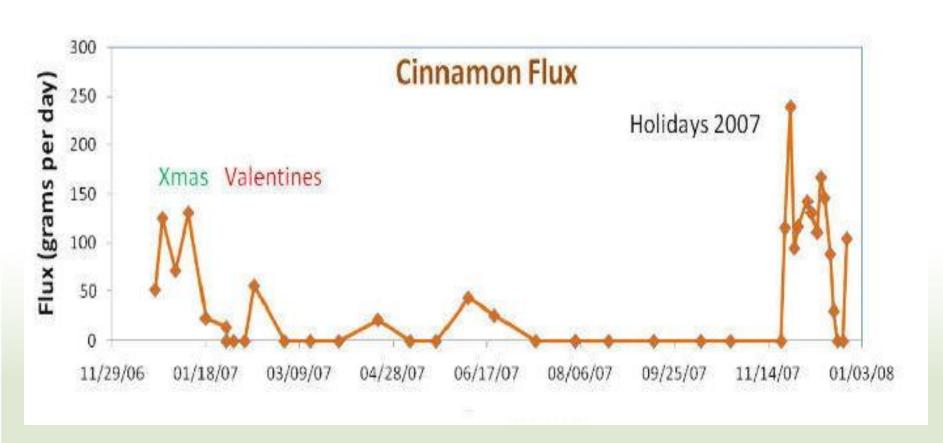




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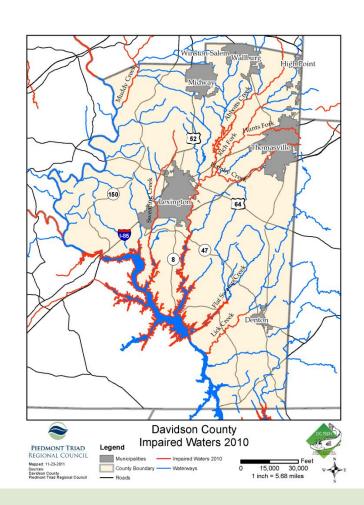






# Davidson County<br/>Impaired Waters

Davidson County has 91 miles of streams and 11 square miles of impaired lakes including High Rock Lake

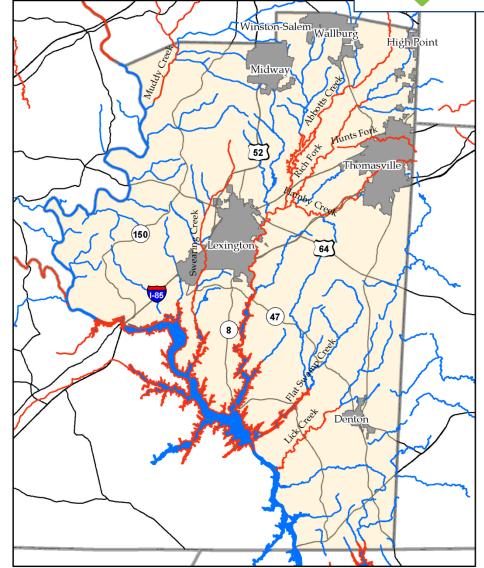




# High Rock Lake **Impairment**

- Turbidity,
- Poor habitat conditions,
- · Chlorophyll a,
- High pH,





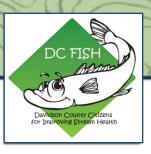




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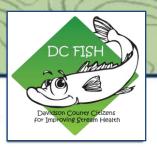


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•to implement Stream Watch groups to adopt impaired streams, ensuring higher quality waters throughout Davidson County;







# Chemical Measures of Stream Health

- Turbidity
- Bacteria
- Nutrients
- Dissolved Oxygen
- Toxic Substances
- pH
- Temperature







# Visual Measures of Stream Health

- Riffles
- Pools
- Erosion
- Tree Cover
- Pollution Sources



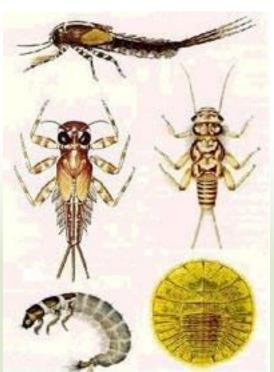


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# Biological Measures of Stream Health

- Biological Indicators
  - Polluted
  - How long?







### Davidson County citizens For Improving Stream Health

To improve water quality in Davidson County's streams and lakes to keep High Rock Lake healthy and supportive for tourism and recreation.







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