



For more than 10 years, South River Federation and West/Rhode Riverkeeper Inc. have been working hand and hand (and shovel to shovel) to protect water quality and restore streams and tributaries in our adjacent watersheds. Earlier this year, we formed a steering committee to explore how our two organizations could partner together to more effectively achieve our shared mission, strengthen our voice for clean water and have an increased impact on the region.

After a thoughtful process with input from our funders and stakeholders, we decided the best course was to create a stronger, consolidated non-profit organization. This unification will enable us to pool resources and direct more dollars to protect and restore the South, West and Rhode Rivers and the greater watershed.

By combining the two organizations, we will have a united voice regarding issues affecting water quality and a greater impact on our shared waterways. We view this as a natural next step in our long-standing partnership, and a strategic move that fits within a trend in the non-profit world to eliminate duplication and redundancy of services and administrative costs while maximizing your dollars for our programmatic work.

Two Leading Anne Arundel Watershed Organizations Unite

On January 1, 2019, South River Federation and West/Rhode Riverkeeper will officially consolidate into one nonprofit organization and be renamed Arundel Rivers Federation. Arundel Rivers Federation will continue all existing restoration and monitoring programs and will maintain the current staff including the South Riverkeeper, Jesse Iliff and the West/Rhode Riverkeeper, Jeff Holland.

The new Arundel Rivers Federation board of directors will have representation from both the Federation and West/Rhode and will establish advisory boards to work on watershed related programs and advocate for issues in the respective areas.

Arundel Rivers Federation Jurisdiction

