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# **Protecting Our Waterways, One Storm Drain At A Time**

Storm Drain Marker Program Tackled by Boy Scout Troop #104

(Beacon Falls, CT — July, 2011) The Beacon Falls Conservation Commission is pleased to announce the completion of the *Storm Drain Marker Program* the news was announced today by Diane Betkoski Chair, Conservation Commission.

The program designed to help protect our waterways, was spearheaded by the Storm Water Management chair, Joseph Mylen who has since retired. He led a team of dedicated volunteers who answered the call from the Conservation Commission directed by DEP that all towns put into place a Storm Water Management Program.

The scope of this project included marking approximately 874 storm water drains. To meet this challenge Joe divided up the neighborhoods and actively solicited volunteers. Ann O'Dell, Boy Scout Troup Leader #104 enlisted troop members who installed over 90% of the markers! The commission also recognizes and thanks the volunteers who participated early on including Tanya Guttierro and Laurie Mylen.

With the Storm Drain Marker program now complete Troop #104 is determined to maintain the Storm Drain Marker program, searching drains with missing markers and reapplying if necessary.

### CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The primary objective of the Conservation Commission is to make more open space areas readily available to all residents while maintaining a policy of sound and prudent development of the land. In addition, the commission keeps an index of all open areas, publicly or privately owned, including open marshlands, swamps and other wetlands, for the purpose of obtaining information on the proper use of such area's.

The conservation commission meets the first Monday of every month at 7:30 p.m. in town hall. We welcome and encourage participation and comments from all Beacon Falls citizens. For more information please contact Anita Goerig at 203-525-1734 or visit us on line at <a href="http://www.beaconfalls-ct.org">http://www.beaconfalls-ct.org</a>. Also find us on <a href="http://www.beaconfalls-ct.org">TWITTER</a>, <a href="face-book">FACEBOOK</a> and <a href="block">BLOG</a>.