

Adopt-a-Reach Program

Montana Watercourse wants to empower your civic group to adopt a reach of your local stream or river! Montana Watercourse will provide your group with the necessary training, tools, and ongoing support to effect a positive change in your community and local waterway!

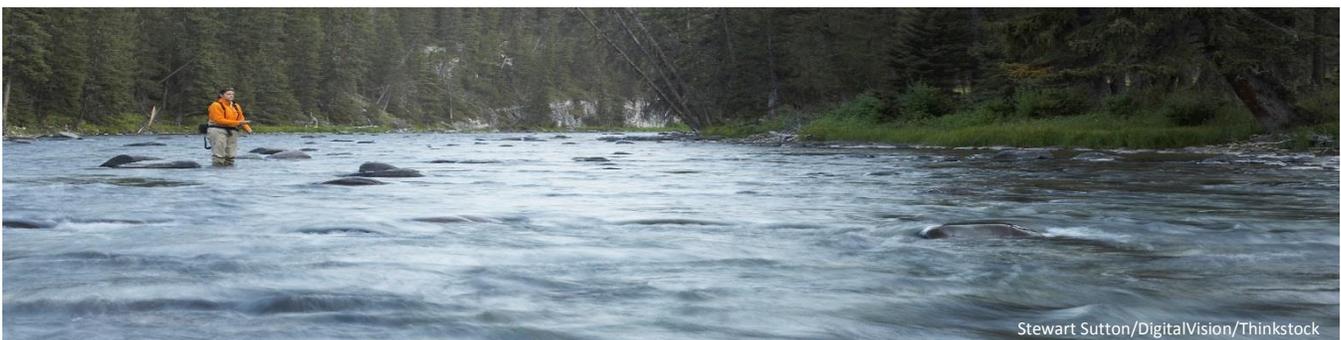


Is there a river or stream in your community that you care about? Through the Adopt-a-Reach program, Montana Watercourse will help you to monitor, clean-up, and enhance your local stream or river through:

- In-person water quality monitoring trainings tailored specifically to your river or stream and group skill/interest level
- Follow-up training webinars to address topics specific to your reach in more detail
- Equipment to collect water quality data
- Dollars to conduct enhancement projects in your reach (e.g., river clean-up, weed pull, plant native streambank vegetation, stabilize stream banks)

Your group must be committed to:

- Participating in all in-person and webinar trainings (we will let you schedule times/dates)
- Completing at least two enhancement projects
- Share with and engage your community in what you're doing to enhance your river reach!



Interested?! Fill out the application on the next page and return to Stephanie McGinnis. Scan and email to mcginnis@montana.edu or fax to 406-994-6660. Questions? Call 406-994-6425.



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Name(s) of Organizer/Coordinator:

Group or organization:

Email(s):

Phone(s):

What interests you and your group in the Adopt-a-Reach program?

Tell us about the stream or river reach you would like to adopt. Include details on location (e.g., nearby roads, GPS coordinates), ownership (e.g., private, city, state), and a general overview of the reach.

The Adopt-a-Reach program occurs over a time period of 12-18 months. It requires a significant commitment from your group, including:

- **Group members attending all in-person and webinar trainings;**
- **Completion of two enhancement projects during the project; and**
- **Engage your local community by sharing information about your project and inviting them to join in when possible.**

Please tell us about other projects you have completed with similar requirements. Or, tell us how your group will remain committed and inspired to complete your Adopt-a-Reach project.