

SOUTH RIVER SCIENCE TEAM: EVOLUTION TO WATERSHED ORGANIZATION

Summary of SRST Small Groups + RAP Comments

<p>FOCUS Water Quality South River Watershed Mercury + Co-Benefits for Water Quality Stream Health Mercury Fish Recreation/Greenway Agriculture</p>	<p>WHO INVOLVED Advocacy Groups Government/Elected Officials Education/Research Industry Landowners Farmers Business Ruritans & similar Non-Traditional</p>
<p>WHAT IT DOES Networking (mostly within watershed but also network with groups outside of watershed) Collaboration Convene Stakeholders Archive of Information/ Knowledge Transfer Activities within Watershed Prioritize & Communicate Priorities Applied Research</p>	<p>HOW Annual Summit Have Mercury committee with additional meetings Network with groups within & outside watershed Assistance to Landowners (e.g., grants, applications) Conduct Applied Research Assist Citizen Science Efforts Provide Link between Chesapeake Bay efforts and South River Ongoing Education & Science Organization</p>
<p>ORGANIZATION MODEL Paid Coordinator + Volunteer Board Secure Funding Source Expand Mission over Time Mercury Committee</p>	<p>EXAMPLES Shenandoah Summit PDC Transportation Summit for Harrisonburg/Rockingham Pure Water Forum Friends of Middle River Friends of the North Fork, etc.</p>