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# 2012 MUNICIPAL INLAND WETLAND COMMISSIONERS TRAINING PROGRAM

## **SEGMENT 3**

Benthic Macroinvertebrates: What These Organisms Can Tell Us about the Health of a Stream

## **AGENDA**

8:30 AM – 9:00 AM	Sign-in/Coffee
9:00 AM – 9:15 AM	Welcome and Program Overview
9:15 AM – 9:30 AM	The Connecticut Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Act: Factors for Consideration and Mitigation
9:30 AM – 10:15 AM	Water Resource Monitoring
10:15 AM – 10:30 AM	Break
10:30 AM – 11:15 AM	Benthic Macroinvertebrates
11:15 AM – 12:15 PM	Hands-on Activity
12:15 PM – 12:30 PM	Questions and Program Wrap-up
12:30 PM – 1:30 PM	Optional Field Stream Survey Demonstration
1:30 PM	Adjourn

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