Delaware Water Resources Center (DWRC)

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What is DWRC?

Established on campus in 1965, the University of Delaware Water Resources Center (DWRC) is one of the 54 National Institutes for Water Resources (NIWRs) at land grant universities in the 50 states, District of Columbia, and island territories of Guam, Puerto Rico, and U.S. Virgin Islands. The DWRC is supported by the U.S. Geological Survey through Section 104 of the Water Resources Research Act signed into law by Lyndon Baines Johnson in 1964. The mission of the DWRC is to: (1) support water resources research, education, and public outreach programs in Delaware and (2) sponsor training of future water scientists, engineers, managers, and policy-makers in the First State.

What is WRA?

Established in 1977 and modified in 1990 and 1997, the Water Resources Agency (WRA) is a program of the DWRC and provides regional water resources assistance to governments in Delaware and the Delaware Valley through the University of Delaware's land-grant public service, education, and research role. The WRA is supported by federal, state, and local government partners, including the State of Delaware, New Castle County, City of Newark, and City of Wilmington.

Where is DWRC?

The DWRC is located in Newark, Delaware, on UD's main campus at 261 Academy Street in the Delaware Geological Survey (DGS) Annex, behind Penny Hall and the UD Rain Garden.

DWRC Partners

Brandywine Conservancy

Brandywine Valley Association

City of Wilmington

City of Newark

Delaware Nature Society

Delaware Center for Horticulture

Delaware Greenways

Delaware Department of Transportation

Delaware River Basin Commission

Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control

FishAmerica Foundation

New Castle Conservation District

New Castle County

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

National Park Service

Partnership for the Delaware Estuary

SUEZ Water Delaware

The Nature Conservancy (Delaware)

UD Colleges

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

U.S. Geological Survey

William Penn Foundation

DWRC is involved with...

- Christina Basin Clean Water Partnership
- City of Wilmington Green Jobs Program
- Delaware Flora Database
- Delaware Source Water Assessment and Protection Program
- Delaware Water Supply Coordinating Council
- · Delaware Watersheds
- · Economic Value of Watersheds
- GIS Services/Education/Outreach
- Sussex Economic Development Action Committee
- Sustainable Coastal Community Initiative
- White Clay Creek Wild and Scenic Management Committee

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