The Future of the Wallkill River

What: A public Conference When: Thursday, April 23,

2015, 4:00 - 8:00 pm

Where: SUNY New Paltz

Save the date for a conference to bring attention to the Wallkill River, one of the Hudson River's largest tributaries.

The conference is designed to build public support for restoration efforts on the Wallkill River; begin to define both a publicly supported vision for the



future of the River; and, steps that can be taken in the short and long term to achieve that vision.

The Wallkill River begins in New Jersey and flows north to Kingston, where it meets the Hudson River after joining with the Rondout Creek. Together, they are the largest tributary in the Hudson River's tidal estuary.

Riverkeeper has been working with citizen scientists to sample water quality on the Wallkill River since 2012. The data is available in the <u>Water Quality section at Riverkeeper.org</u>. The event will also build on the work of many others throughout the watershed, including the <u>Wallkill River Watershed Conservation and Management Plan</u>.

The organizers of the event include the Village of New Paltz; SUNY New Paltz's Center for Research, Regional Education and Outreach (CRREO); DEC Hudson River Estuary Program; Riverkeeper; Town of New Paltz Clean Water and Open Space Protection Commission; Hudson River Watershed Alliance; and Mohonk Consultations.

Please stay tuned for more details.