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I urge you to follow through on plans to expand stream buffers on site specific private lands from 50' to 75'. This will greatly benefit us and the environment.

Some of the benefits include:

keeping water temperatures cool for fish and other aquatic life

helping watersheds to better filter and deliver water downstream

Improving water quality for all – human and non-human alike

Increasing habitat for all forest creatures

helping to filter out pollutants, reduce erosion, provide nutrients for aquatic life, and can help minimize the impacts from flooding.

Increasing fire resistance by slowing or stopping the spread of wildfires, enhancing overall fire resistance in the landscape. The larger the buffer, the greater the protection.

Thank you