

Waterkeeper Alliance strengthens and grows a global network of grassroots leaders protecting everyone's right to clean water.

ABOUT US

Waterkeeper Alliance holds polluters accountable. We're the largest and fastest growing nonprofit solely focused on clean water. We preserve and protect water by connecting local Waterkeeper Organizations and Affiliates worldwide. Our goal is drinkable, fishable and swimmable water everywhere.

ON THE COVER:

Mbenda and Soda Seck, daughters of Hann Baykeeper Mbacke Seck, at the Bargny Coast Waterkeeper Climate March in Senegal. Our story started on the Hudson River 50 years ago, in 1966, when commercial and recreational fishermen, many of them military veterans, united to save their river and formed the Hudson River Fishermen's Association. These fishermen recognized that outspoken, citizen-led advocacy was the only way to ensure that laws were enforced and their river, livelihoods and the health of their families were protected. They took on many of the nation's biggest industrial polluters and won.

In 1983, they hired the first full-time Hudson Riverkeeper to patrol the river, to restore its abundant fisheries and to lead citizen-based enforcement of environmental laws. Since those early days, Hudson Riverkeeper has brought hundreds of polluters to justice and forced them to spend hundreds of millions of dollars restoring the Hudson to health. Their success spurred an explosive growth of similar grassroots organizations across the globe, and in 1999 Waterkeeper Alliance was founded to support these organizations.

Today, Waterkeeper Alliance is made up of over 290 Waterkeeper Organizations and Affiliates protecting rivers, lakes and coastal waterways on 6 continents. Our proudest accomplishment is the depth and breadth of our member organizations and the unity of their vision for clean water and strong communities.





Letter From the President

This year, the Waterkeeper movement celebrated its 50th anniversary. In 1966 a group of fishermen, aggrieved by the pollution that was destroying their livelihoods, founded the Hudson River Fishermen's Association in a rickety old VFW Hall in Crotonville, New York. Using a wooden lobster boat and an ancient navigational statute, they began patrolling the river and suing polluters. Their actions helped reclaim the river from the robber barons who had contaminated and killed large stretches of the Hudson. Inspired by the Hudson's miraculous recovery, hundreds of men and women around the globe have since pledged their lives to protecting a particular river, lake or bay by joining the Waterkeeper movement and entering the battle for justice and environmental democracy.

As I reflect on our half century of Waterkeeper accomplishments, I think of an autumn afternoon 30 years ago, when I stood on a wharf in Norwalk, Connecticut, with a burly commercial fisherman named Terry Backer, watching raw sewage bubble from a submerged pipe. Terry told me that the City of Norwalk's illegal discharges were killing all the oyster spat in western Long Island Sound.

Within a few months, we filed lawsuits against Norwalk, Bridgeport, Stamford, Branford, Greenwich, New Haven and West Haven for inadequate sewage treatment. Our first settlement, with Norwalk, yielded a \$180,000 payment in lieu of penalties. We used that money to set up Long Island Soundkeeper, the second Waterkeeper organization. Terry became its leader.

Terry and I shared a vision of a global force of autonomous Waterkeeper Organizations running patrol boats on every waterway in the world, united through shared ideals and loosely centralized governance.

Waterkeepers would be involved in every fight for clean water. If there was a fish kill in North Carolina, a combustible oil-train spill in Montreal, liquefied-natural-gas tycoons bullying officials for a permit on Puget Sound, industrial shrimp farms devastating the Philippines' mangrove bays, a dam proposed in Belize or on Patagonia's Futaleufu, or Atlantic salmon cages colonizing the coast of Chile, Terry wanted a Waterkeeper to be present with mitts up, ready for a scuffle.

He wanted us to be a leading voice in every big battle, from the Pebble Mine in Alaska to Hann Bay in Senegal, from Alberta's tar sands to the megahotel developments on the Sea of Cortez.

He wanted Waterkeepers at every illegal dyehouse on Bangladesh's Buriganga River, at every outlaw gold mine in Brazil. Wherever there was a polluter with a pipe, a bully with a backhoe, a corrupt regulator, a crooked politician or a greedy

CEO, wherever there was a rapacious pillager from Monsanto, Smithfield, Duke, Exxon, or Koch Industries, Terry wanted Waterkeepers to deploy with their boats, and their lawyers, spoiling for a fight.

No one preached the promise of the Waterkeeper movement more passionately than Terry. He was the longest-serving Waterkeeper when he died a year ago in December.

We missed Terry when we celebrated the 50th anniversary of the Waterkeeper movement. He wasn't there to celebrate with us but he did live to see the movement spread to over 30 countries. He saw Waterkeepers playing an increasingly critical role in saving the world's waters and fighting for democracy and justice.

Today, at the movement's half-century mark, Waterkeepers are on the water every day patrolling and protecting nearly 2.5 million square miles of watersheds across the world, in Australia, Bangladesh, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, India, Iraq, Kenya, Nepal, Russia, Sweden, Togo, the United Kingdom, and elsewhere.

Terry knew that water would be the commodity with the most profound impact on humanity's future. He saw the future as a series of wars between the common people, who own the waterways, and the moguls and their captive politicians who would try to privatize the commons. He would be proud that Waterkeeper Organizations and Affiliates will continue to be the most effective and aggressive advocates for public ownership and clean water.

The Waterkeeper movement's first 50 years have taught us that the decline and destruction of the earth are not destiny. Human effort, with God's help, can reverse the ravages of pollution. Pope Francis preaches that the world is our "common home". The hardy men and women of Waterkeeper know that earth's salvation will require courage, commitment, vision and a willingness to cross swords with the apocalyptical forces of ignorance and greed.

The polluters have the wealth and power, but we have persistence, conviction and righteousness on our side. We have fought power and adversity for 50 years, and yet we find ourselves stronger than ever. Now, we prepare ourselves for the next 50!

Sincerely,

Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. President

The Empire
State Building
illuminated in
blue and green in
honor of Hudson
Riverkeeper's
50th anniversary.
Photo by Markus
Jarrow.

Letter From the Executive Director

Recently, I found myself sitting in a massive field in Ladakh, India watching Waterkeeper Alliance's president, Robert F. Kennedy, Jr., speak passionately to a crowd of approximately 300,000 Buddhists. It was amazing to be in a sea of so many people cheering his message of clean water as a fundamental human right, one that was being denied to more than a billion people across the world. And I couldn't help but marvel at how powerfully the Waterkeeper model, developed 50 years ago on the Hudson River by a small band of aggrieved fisherman, had spread globally and how lucky we are to have such incredible partners in places as far away as Ladakh.

Twenty years ago, as one of Bobby's law students, I knew that one day I wanted to work for the yet-to-benamed Waterkeeper Alliance. I was sure it would become the world's most powerful force for clean water. Back then, however, I had no idea that this dynamic movement would include inspiring advocates across the Himalayas, and in Bangladesh, Chile, Iraq, Kenya, Senegal, Togo, and beyond. The global reach of the Waterkeeper movement is a testament to the power of the grassroots model and the belief that citizens have the right to organize to protect their local waterways to ensure clean water for drinking, fishing, and swimming. These Waterkeepers often are the last line of defense for their communities.

The Waterkeeper movement continues to grow around the world, where women and men are standing up for their communities' - and everyone's - right to clean water. Our Miami Waterkeeper, for example, is leading the charge to protect South Florida's coral reefs and to make sure her city has the resilience to deal with sea-level rise. In Senegal, Hann Baykeeper and Bargny Coast Waterkeeper have stopped the construction of two coal-fired power plants. Lake Ontario Waterkeeper has played a key role in the passage of the Great Lakes Protection Act. And Waterkeepers from places such as the Bahamas, California, and China, converged on Paris last December to press world leaders to take action to mitigate the effects of climate change. There are many more stories like this in the 34 countries that are home to Waterkeepers.

The Waterkeeper movement's global reach and its strength must continue to increase because the threats to global waters are increasing. Pollution from manufacturing, industrial agriculture, mining, fossil-fuel energy production, and human waste is destroying lifesustaining water everywhere. At the same time, water supplies are shrinking because of changes in the earth's climate. This has heightened competition for precious water resources — with rationing and intense battles to control supplies already a reality in many parts of the world. Fresh-water shortages are at the root of many current conflicts, and water is already at the center of the global environmental crisis.

The scope and scale of these problems are staggering. Every day, two million tons of sewage and industrial and agricultural waste are discharged into the world's water, the equivalent of the weight of the entire human population. Contaminated water is sickening and killing millions of people. Over half the hospital beds in the world are filled with people suffering from waterborne diseases. And 3.2 million children under the age of five die each year as a result of unsafe drinking water and poor sanitation.

Given the magnitude and pervasiveness of these threats, time is critical. As we look back over the Waterkeeper movement's many successes over the past year, we have reason to be proud. But at the same time we are humbled by the challenges ahead. Next year and beyond, we will focus on significantly increasing the tools we can offer Waterkeeper Organizations and Affiliates. We also will invest in more resources to amplify the voices of the communities we represent, and we will continue to grow the Waterkeeper movement, working to ensure the world's most vulnerable watersheds have a Waterkeeper who is trained to be the best and brightest clean water advocate on the planet. Please join us. We can't do it without your help.

Thank you for your support.

To clean water.

Marc Yaggi Executive Direct



Highlights FROM MOVEMENT THE MOVEMENT

JULY 2015

Utah state officials require a tar sands mining company to do water and air quality monitoring thanks to pressure from **COLORADO RIVERKEEPER** and partners.



AUGUST 2015

U.S. District Court Judge Orinda rules in favor of **CHATTAHOOCHEE RIVERKEEPER'S** 2014 lawsuit against American Sealcoat Manufacturing, fining them \$10M for unlawful discharge of toxic pollutants into the Chattahoochee River..

SANTA BARBARA
CHANNELKEEPER scores a big
win in court in August 2015 when
Superior Court Judge Timothy Frawley
rules that the State and Central Coast
Regional Water Quality Control Board
must create new rules to protect
human health and the environment,

surface water and groundwater from

agricultural pollution.



Executive Director Marc Yaggi and International Director Sharon Khan travel to Sweden to meet with SWEDISH BALTIC RIVERS WATERKEEPER and the King of Sweden, and to participate in the National Water Conference, which included Swedish water advocates and local fishermen.

SEPTEMBER 2015

In a major victory for threatened southern sea otters, U.S. District Court Judge John F. Walter denies a challenge by fishing organizations to a U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service decision that has restored protections for sea otters in Southern California. LOS ANGELES WATERKEEPER and partners intervened in the case on behalf of the Fish & Wildlife Service.



BUFFALO NIAGARA RIVERKEEPER and Buffalo Niagara River Land Trust, with the help of \$850,000 in local, state and federal funding, demolish a building on a brownfield site along the Scajaquada Creek and plan to turn the area into a waterfront park.

OCTOBER 2015

Maryland's largest water utility will pay \$8.5 million for pollution controls, \$1 million for water quality improvements, and \$100,000 in civil penalties as a result of a lawsuit filed by **POTOMAC RIVERKEEPER** and others over millions of pounds of pollution being dumped into the Potomac River from the utility's water filtration plant in Potomac, Maryland.

ALTAMAHA RIVERKEEPER and

its partners succeed in preserving 4,100 acres of land for coastal wildlife, including gopher tortoises and longleaf pines. Working with the Southern Environmental Law Center, Altamaha Riverkeeper voiced concerns about the development of wetlands and Altamaha riverfront, which stalled potential development. This compelled developers to work with The Nature Conservancy and others to transfer ownership of the property to Georgia's Department of Natural Resources.

NOVEMBER 2015

YARRA RIVERKEEPER celebrates 10 years of successes in advocating for protection of the Yarra River, including halting unsustainable development, stopping the last of direct industrial discharge, and the introduction of the Yarra River Protection Act.



HANN BAYKEEPER, BARGNY
COAST WATERKEEPER, and
thousands of community members
hold a climate march in Bargny,
Senegal protesting the country's last
proposed coal-fired power plant.

DECEMBER 2015

VENTURA COASTKEEPER and partners earn a major victory in their two-decade fight on the development project Newhall Ranch, which would include homes for up to 60,000 residents, stores, golf courses, schools and more. California's Supreme Court concluded that the environmental impact report failed to show the development would not significantly affect greenhouse gas emissions and that it illegally allowed for relocation of an endangered species of fish, the unarmored threespine stickleback.

TONLE SAP LAKE WATERKEEPER

hosts hundreds of participants during a press conference and boat demonstration in opposition to the Don Sahong Hydropower Dam in Laos, one of the most controversial of 11 proposed dams to be constructed on the Lower Mekong.



BLACK WARRIOR RIVERKEEPER

helps scientists find the first Hale County specimen of the rare Vernal Crayfish (Procambarus viaeviridis) while assisting with the discovery of numerous rare crayfish currently undescribed by science.

JANUARY 2016

PUGET SOUNDKEEPER settles a major Clean Water Act suit against Rainier Petroleum for failure to provide containment on their tank farm and to control industrial stormwater from their site on Seattle's

waterfront.



SOUTHWEST FISHERIES SNOAA FISHERIES

WATERKEEPER ALLIANCE, SANTA BARBARA CHANNELKEEPER, SAN LUIS OBISPO COASTKEEPER and

local partners file civil actions against governments in Santa Barbara County out of concern that massive amounts of rainwater could carry polluting runoff from landfills into nearby streams, where endangered steelhead trout reproduce.



WATERKEEPERS CHESAPEAKE

launch Fair Farms, an initiative to build a movement of environmental and public health groups, businesses, consumers, and farmers committed to a sustainable food system.

FEBRUARY 2016

BALTIMORE HARBOR
WATERKEEPER and a local partner
file a Notice of Intent to sue
Baltimore-based chemical company
Erachem Comilog for dumping 12
times the permitted level of nitrogen
into a tributary of the Patapsco River

and, ultimately, the Chesapeake Bay.

MARCH 2016

DELAWARE RIVERKEEPER files a lawsuit against the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) which alleges the review and approval process for pipeline projects has fundamental structural bias. Just weeks later, they file a second lawsuit challenging the approval of Transco's Leidy Southeast pipeline expansion.

After an eight year battle, **CAPE FEAR RIVERKEEPER** celebrates the end of Titan America's effort to build the Castle Hayne cement plant.

WATERKEEPERS CHESAPEAKE, BALTIMORE HARBOR WATERKEEPER, CHESTER, GUNPOWDER, MIDSHORE, CHOPTANK, UPPER POTOMAC, AND POTOMAC RIVERKEEPERS

file suit against the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency over the delisting of 53 river segments in 17 Riverkeeper Maryland counties and Baltimore City.

UPPER AND LOWER JAMES
RIVERKEEPERS AND THE JAMES
RIVER ASSOCIATION reaches a
settlement with Dominion Virginia
Power on discharges of treated
water from coal ash ponds at the
company's Bremo Power Station in
Fluvanna County.



FERC denies permits for Veresen's Jordan Cove LNG terminal in southern Oregon after years of tireless advocacy by ROGUE RIVERKEEPER, COLUMBIA RIVERKEEPER AND KLAMATH RIVERKEEPER.

APRIL 2016

California state court rules that San Francisco Bay sand is a public trust resource that belongs to the public. The ruling comes as a result from

a SAN FRANCISCO BAYKEEPER

lawsuit against the State Lands Commission for approving sand mine leases that contribute to erosion and ecosystem destruction in the Bay.



After 10 years of advocacy work by **KLAMATH RIVERKEEPER**,

the federal government signs an agreement to remove four dams from the Klamath River; it is the largest dam removal in American history.

XIANG RIVER WATERKEEPER'S

night patrol team at Dongting Lake finds an illegal fishing line full of hooks set up to trap catfish and endangered finless porpoises. Thanks to the team's discovery, the fishermen that set the trap were quickly apprehended by the local fishery department.

MAY 2016

The Lummi Nation, a longtime partner of SPOKANE RIVERKEEPER AND PUGET SOUNDKEEPER,

successfully wins their fight against the Gateway Pacific coal export terminal in Bellingham, WA! The US Army Corps of Engineers denied the permit, saying that the project would violate the treaty fishing rights of the Lummi Nation.

Chile's Environmental Review
Authority makes official the
expiration of the permit authorizing
the construction of the Los Robles
coal-fired plant, which MAULE
ITATA COASTKEEPER and allies
successfully opposed.

MILWAUKEE RIVERKEEPER files a lawsuit against Milwaukee County in an attempt to block the issue of an operating permit for Estabrook Dam.

JUNE 2016

The Government of Canada officially lists microbeads as toxic substances thanks to advocacy from LAKE ONTARIO WATERKEEPER, OTTAWA RIVERKEEPER and others.

The city of San Jose commits \$100M to keeping pollution out of San Francisco Bay after **SAN FRANCISCO BAYKEEPER** discovers the city had 780 sewage spills from 2009 to mid-2014, totalling over 523,000 gallons of waste.

Push Back The Pipeline, a coalition including SAVANNAH, ALTAMAHA, OGEECHEE AND SATILLA RIVERKEEPERS, defeats the proposed Palmetto Pipeline, a Kinder Morgan line that would have moved refined petroleum products 360 miles through South Carolina, Georgia and Florida.



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We know that Waterkeepers are amazing advocates, but it is rewarding to see other entities around the world recognize their work. These are just a few of the accolades Waterkeepers received in fiscal year 2016. Congratulations to all our Waterkeepers for being the best and brightest clean water advocates on the planet!

ATCHAFALAYA BASINKEEPER, LOUISIANA

Dean Wilson

Garden & Gun Magazine's Hot List

COLUMBIA RIVERKEEPER, OREGON

Brett VandenHeuvel

The Oregon State Bar's Environmental and Natural Resources Section's annual Leadership and Service Award

ESTERO SALADO WATERKEEPER, ECUADOR

Daniel Ortega

Appointed the Minister for the Environment

FUNDY BAYKEEPER, CANADA

Matthew Abbott

Gulf of Maine Council's 2016 Visionary Award

GRAND TRAVERSE BAYKEEPER, MICHIGAN

John Nelson

Clarence Kroupa Lifetime Achievement Award

HANN BAYKEEPER, SENEGAL

Mbacke Seck

Green Trophy for the Environment

L.A. WATERKEEPER, CALIFORNIA

Michael Quill, Community Programs Manager

"Unsung Hero" by the California Community Foundation

MIAMI WATERKEEPER, FLORIDA

Rachel Silverstein

University of Miami's 2016 Reitmeister-Abess Center Environmental Stewardship Award

South Florida Visionary Award for the Environment

MOBILE BAYKEEPER, ALABAMA

Casi Callaway

Women Shaping the State

QIANTANG RIVER WATERKEEPER, CHINA

Xin Hao

Ecological Civilization Award

COAL SPILL IN VIETNAM JULY 2015

When catastrophic flooding in Vietnam killed 17 people after multiple coal-waste impoundments failed and buried homes, schools, streets and business in tidal waves of polluted water, Waterkeeper Alliance quickly responded by calling on government to protect at-risk Vietnamese communities that are threatened by massive coal mines and coal-ash ponds at coal-fired power plants surrounding the Ha Long Bay World Heritage Site. The Vietnamese government has dramatically changed course, cutting plans to construct more than 50 new coalfired power plants and shifting investment to renewable energy to sustainably power Vietnam's future economic development.



RAPID RESPONSE

COAL BARGE SINKS IN BANGLADESH MARCH 2016

A large bulk cargo vessel carrying 1,245 metric tons of coal sank in the Shela River inside the Sundarbans World Heritage Site. In addition to the large amount of coal, hundreds of gallons of fuel oil, batteries and other toxic contaminants polluted the Shela River. Waterkeepers Bangladesh and the National Committee for Saving the Sundarbans worked with communities to demand immediate measures to protect the Pashur and Shela Rivers and the Sundarbans from unsafe shipping and increased coal barge traffic that will result if the Rampal coal plant is built.



মংলাঃ সুন্দরবনের পতর নদীতে জয়মনি এলাকায় ৫২০ মেট্রিক টন কয়লাবাহী কার্গো জিয়া রাজ ডুবে যায়। ২৮-১০-২০১৫

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DIESEL SPILL IN ILLINOIS APRIL 2016

Waterkeeper Alliance assisted Wabash Riverkeeper with a 48,000-gallon diesel spill from a pipeline into the Wabash River. Wabash Riverkeeper was able to obtain aerial footage of the spill, and Waterkeeper Alliance assisted by conducting research, creating a map, and drafting press releases countering reports by the company that owned the pipeline, Marathon Pipe Line, that the sheen had dissipated, and highlighting the slow response of the company to the leak.



OIL TRAIN DERAILMENT IN OREGON JUNE 2016

Waterkeeper Alliance assisted Columbia
Riverkeeper following a fiery oil train
derailment next to the Columbia River in
Mosier, Oregon, spilling 47,000 gallons of
Bakken crude oil. Columbia Riverkeeper
provided detailed updates to the public,
highlighting the dangers that oil trains
present to communities along their routes.
Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. joined the Yakama
Nation and other Pacific Northwest Tribes
in a press conference calling for an end to oil
train traffic.

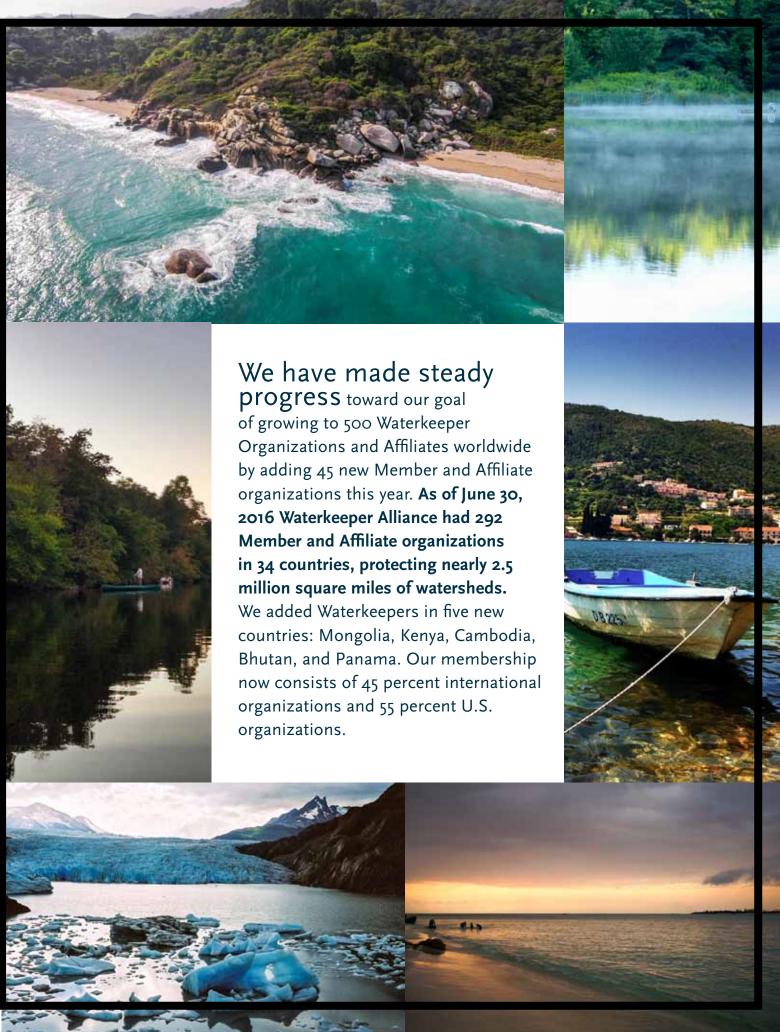
PIPELINE SPILL IN CALIFORNIA JUNE 2016

On June 23, 2016, a pipeline owned and operated by Crimson Pipeline spilled over 29,400 gallons of crude oil into Hall Canyon Barranca within the City of Ventura. Hours after the oil spill was reported, Wishtoyo Foundation and its Ventura Coastkeeper program completed an independent investigation, collecting photos showing thick black pools of oil hours after the spill was discovered. This revealed that, contrary to assertions made by Crimson Pipeline, it was not acting quickly to clean up the oil, and was instead letting it seep further into the ground and threaten wildlife.



ANNUAL REPORT WATERKEEPER ALLIANCE

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CLEAN WATER DEFENSE

EPA WATER TRANSFERS RULE CHALLENGE:

Waterkeeper Alliance and partner nongovernmental organizations (NGOs) filed litigation challenging an illegal EPA regulation that allows water transfers between distinct waterways without a Clean Water Act permit, without regard to whether the transfer would cause pollution of the receiving water. For example, the rule allows transfers of polluted water into pristine waters, salt water may be transferred directly into freshwater streams, sediment-laden water may be diverted into clear drinking water reservoirs, warm waters may be pumped into cold water habitats, and invasive species may be spread into waters not yet infested—all without the public health, environmental and economic safeguards provided by a Clean Water Act permit. In 2014, a federal district court in New York found in our favor and invalidated the Water Transfers Rule. EPA has appealed that decision to the 2nd Circuit and our counsel presented argument before the Second Circuit Court of Appeals in December of 2015. We expect a ruling from the court in the near future.

FEDERAL MONSANTO LIABILITY SHIELD LEGISLATION:

Waterkeeper Alliance and 55 Waterkeeper Organizations and Affiliates sent letters to the President and Congressional leaders opposing a last-minute addition to Toxic Substances Control Act reform legislation that would have exempted Monsanto from liability for PCB pollution across the country. We are pleased that the troubling Monsanto shield language was removed from the bill before it was passed by Congress, and signed by the President, in June 2016.

WATER-QUALITY MONITORING TRAINING IN BHUTAN:

President Robert F. Kennedy, Jr., and International Director Sharon Khan traveled to the country of Bhutan to speak at the International Gross National Happiness Conference and meet with the prime minister. With our partners at Stroud Water Research Center, we provided training in water-quality monitoring for the recently initiated Thim Chu Waterkeeper and colleagues from Bhutan's National Environment Commission, the Ministry of Economic Affairs, and Ministry of Health.



CLEAN WATER RULE/ WATERS OF THE U.S. (WOTUS) RULE CHALLENGE:

Waterkeeper Alliance filed landmark 6th Circuit litigation that will determine which streams, rivers, lakes, and wetlands can be protected from pollution and destruction under the Clean Water Act. Largely to appease powerful industry advocates, EPA and the Army Corps adopted a regulation eliminating historic protections for waterways across the country, many of which impact drinking water supplies, fisheries, recreational waters, coastal estuaries, and priority habitat for threatened and endangered species. Waterkeeper Alliance led the charge against this rule and built a coalition of plaintiffs to file litigation challenging the rule, including Center for Biological Diversity, Center for Food Safety, Humboldt Baykeeper, Monterey Coastkeeper, Russian Riverkeeper, Snake River Waterkeeper, Turtle Island Restoration Network, and Upper Missouri Waterkeeper. Waterkeeper Alliance is the lead plaintiff in the 6th Circuit coalition case and secured representation by the Earthrise Law Center at Lewis & Clark and the Mills Legal Clinic at Stanford Law School.

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WATERKEEPER ALLIANCE ANNUAL REP

CLEAN AND SAFE ENERGY

GLOBAL KEEP IT IN THE GROUND:

Waterkeeper Alliance worked with local Waterkeeper Organizations, Affiliates and international partners to grow the global "Keep It in the Ground" movement, which demands that governments stop facilitating dangerous fossil-fuel extraction, transport, consumption waste production. We focused on the most carbon intensive industry by working to stop construction of new coal facilities in strategic parts of Asia. Together with our international partners, we secured \$1.3 billion dollars in divestment from coal companies worldwide over the past year.

TAYLOR ENERGY:

In September 2015, Waterkeeper Alliance, Apalachicola Riverkeeper, and Lower Mississippi Riverkeeper settled a three-year old case that was intended to lift the veil of secrecy on an oil-well that has been leaking since 2004 at one of Taylor Energy's wells in the Gulf of Mexico. As a key term of settlement, Taylor Energy agreed to provide information about the spill since it started in 2004 and open public access to information on an ongoing basis. Pursuant to these terms, Taylor Energy held a public forum on the oil leak in January 2016. The settlement in no way impacts Taylor Energy's continuing obligation to attempt to stop the leak. Waterkeeper Alliance similarly continues to monitor the leak and Taylor Energy's actions, and is using the settlement agreement terms to gather information about the leak in order to keep the public informed.

ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE:

In February, the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights in Washington, D.C. held hearings on the impacts of coal-ash storage near minority and poor communities. Waterkeeper Alliance was invited to testify. The commission is an independent agency that advises both the President and Congress and produces an annual enforcement report. Its 2016 report will focus on toxic materials produced or stored by utilities near minority neighborhoods.

OIL TRAINS REPORT:

Waterkeeper Alliance collaborated with 22 Waterkeeper Organizations to release an investigative report called *Deadly Crossing: Neglected Bridges & Exploding Oil Trains.* The report revealed the neglect of the nation's rail infrastructure and how it is being stressed by oil train traffic. Waterkeepers from across the country inspected 250 railway bridges in 15 states along known and potential routes of explosive oil trains, and identified areas of serious concern on 114 bridges. In response to this finding, we are calling for the federal government and rail industry to stop all oil train traffic on rail bridges, until they have been inspected by independent experts and the findings are shared with the public. The report generated significant media attention, and a month after it was released the federal government initiated reforms intended to increase transparency about rail-bridge inspections.

U.S. COAL:

Water pollution from toxic coal-ash continues to be the primary focus of our U.S. coal work. Just three years ago, Duke Energy had no plans to clean up any of its 32 leaking coal-ash ponds in North Carolina. Thanks to our on-the-water investigations, legal advocacy, and public engagement, Duke has now agreed to fully clean up 24 of those ponds, bringing an end to decades of water pollution on the Cape Fear, Catawba, Dan, French Broad, Neuse, and Yadkin Rivers. Two years after we exposed contamination in drinking water wells around Duke's leaking coal-ash dumps, North Carolina enacted a law this year that requires Duke to pay for permanent supplies of clean drinking water for hundreds of families. Beyond North Carolina, we have continued investigating toxic coal-ash dumps in Florida, Georgia, and Alabama, and utilities have begun announcing plans to fully clean up several more sites where we have documented illegal pollution.

Building on our success cleaning up toxic coal ash dumps across North Carolina, this year we settled our first coal-ash enforcement case in Florida. In 2014, Waterkeeper Alliance and Apalachicola Riverkeeper sued Gulf Power Company after discovering dangerous contaminants leaking from a sixty-year-old, unlined coal-ash pond into the Apalachicola River, a certified American Treasure in the Florida Panhandle. The groups feared that the impoundment, which sits atop a bluff over the river, could suddenly fail and deposit a toxic load that would impact water quality all the way to the Apalachicola Bay. In the settlement, Gulf Power agreed to dig up all the ash from the leaking pond and move it to a dry storage area on higher ground. The company will install an impermeable cover over the landfill, and a subterranean "cutoff wall" to prevent groundwater from flowing beneath the landfill, where it could become contaminated.

TRINITY COAL SETTLEMENT:

Waterkeeper Alliance, Kentucky Riverkeeper and a coalition of groups were victorious when Kentucky's Energy and Environment Cabinet agreed to levy a stiff fine against Frasure Creek and its parent companies, Trinity Coal and New Trinity. The coalition exposed thousands of Clean Water Act violations and the settlement has the company admitting to exceeding pollution-permit limits and falsifying monitoring reports. The settlement includes a \$6 million fine – the highest ever levied by Kentucky against a coal company for environmental violations.



ATLANTIC OIL DRILLING:

Waterkeeper Alliance staff provided support and funding to Waterkeeper Organizations and Affiliates to oppose federally proposed offshore drilling in the Atlantic Ocean. With our support, Atlantic and Gulf Coast Waterkeepers partnered with other NGOs to rally opposition to drilling from communities along the Atlantic Coast. In March 2016, the Obama Administration announced it would not include the Atlantic Ocean in the areas to be leased for oil and gas drilling in the next five years, crediting widespread opposition to drilling as a primary reason.

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ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE:

We continue to work extensively with North Carolina Riverkeepers and our partners throughout the state on various legal and advocacy projects, including our Title VI complaint to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Office of Civil Rights to help stop violations and protect local minority communities from exposure to hog waste. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act requires that any recipient of federal funds take steps to ensure that its actions do not have a disproportionate adverse impact on individuals and communities based on race. An analysis conducted by researchers at the University of North Carolina (UNC) demonstrated that the impacts from hog operations under permit conditions set by North Carolina's Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), a recipient of federal funds, disproportionately impacts African American, Latino and Native American populations. This research was provided to DEQ during the 2014 comment period on the state permit for swine operations, but DEQ rejected the findings without pointing to any contrary research or conducting any analysis of its own. Waterkeeper Alliance, together with partners North Carolina Environmental Justice Network and Rural Empowerment Center for Community Help, filed the Title VI complaint, and are represented by attorneys at Earthjustice and UNC Center for Civil Rights. This coalition also sponsored a petition on Change.org detailing resident Elsie Herring's fight against a hog operation in her community that sprays hog waste adjacent to her home. The petition has garnered close to 100,000 signatures.

WATCHDOGGING EPA:

Waterkeeper Alliance and partner NGOs have challenged an EPA rule promulgated under federal hazardous waste and community right-to-know laws that illegally exempts industrial meat production operations from federal hazardous substance reporting. Briefing on the merits of this challenge in the D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals is now complete, and oral arguments have been scheduled for December 2016.

CAMPAIGN EXPANSION:

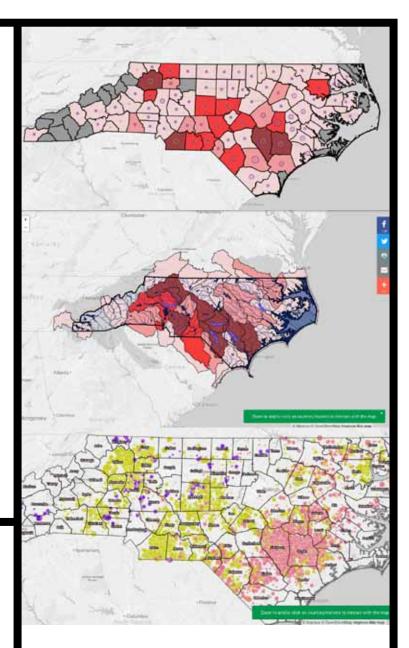
In October 2015, Waterkeeper Alliance staff visited China to meet with Waterkeeper Organizations and others working on agricultural issues. Staff presented at an environmental conference in Chengdu, toured Anlong Sustainable Village established by the Min River Waterkeeper, visited three large swine operations with Middle Han Waterkeeper, and met with experts and others working on law and agricultural policy in China. In June 2016, staff and the Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy conducted a U.S. Food System study tour in North Carolina for several Chinese Waterkeepers as well as food activists and researchers from China. The tour included four Waterkeeper Annual Conference panels on agricultural impacts, laws and alternatives; aerial and ground tours of poultry and swine facilities with Cape Fear Riverkeeper; a sustainable organic farm visit; and a meeting with experts on the North Carolina CAFO industry. The tour continued after the conference to Minneapolis for additional visits to farms and food enterprises, and for a discussion about China's agricultural and food challenges.

WASHINGTON STATE DAIRY PERMIT CHALLENGE:

Waterkeeper Alliance, Columbia Riverkeeper, Puget Soundkeeper Alliance, Snake River Waterkeeper, Spokane Riverkeeper, North Sound Baykeeper and a broad coalition of advocacy organizations engaged in a heated battle with Washington state's powerful dairy industry to protect the Columbia River and Puget Sound watersheds from continued pollution by dairy CAFOs. In addition to engaging in public outreach and advocacy, the coalition, represented by the Western Environmental Law Center, filed a 58-page Comment Letter with 54 Exhibits on a preliminary Clean Water Act permit with the Washington Department of Ecology. The coalition is fighting to ensure the permit covers all medium and large CAFOS, and contains, for the first time, adequate manure-management controls that are essential to stopping the industry's contamination of Washington's surface water, groundwater and shellfish beds.

HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE REPORTING EXEMPTIONS FOR CAFOS:

Waterkeeper Alliance is the lead plaintiff in a legal challenge to an EPA rule that exempts CAFOs from two federal public health and right-to-know laws that require reporting of hazardous substances released into the environment. As a result of this rule, the facilities are allowed to release huge of amounts of pollution that endangers human health including hydrogen sulfide and ammonia - without notifying neighboring communities or emergency responders. In response to litigation filed by Waterkeeper Alliance and its partners in 2009, EPA asked the court to remand the rule so the agency could revise it and address the legal challenges. But EPA took no action and left the illegal exemption in place. Waterkeeper Alliance and its partners filed suit to overturn the remand and the illegal exemption and, on September 23, 2015, the D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals granted our motion to reopen the case.



GIS MAPPING PROJECT:

In June, Waterkeeper Alliance, North Carolina Riverkeepers, and Environmental Working Group (EWG) launched an unprecedented GIS initiative to map the location and waste outputs of more than 6,500 concentrated animal feeding operations (CAFOs) across the state of North Carolina. In addition to swine and cattle CAFOs, the project documents the locations of over 3,900 poultry operations, which up until now have been shielded from the people of North Carolina. The maps, which EWG and Waterkeeper Alliance researchers constructed over three years, provide a never-before-seen aerial view of the CAFOs blanketing the state. This analysis includes manure lagoons from swine operations, detailing how close they are to streams, rivers and other public water sources - as well as their proximity to schools and homes.

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OCTOBER 7, 2015

PROTECTING OUR WATERS IN NORTH CAROLINA

RIVERPARK, A TOM COLICCHIO RESTAURANT, NYC

Robert F. Kennedy, Jr., Trustee Ann Colley, Chef Tom Colicchio, Leadership Circle member Nicole Miller, and Andre Balazs hosted an evening of cocktails and farm fresh hors d'oeuvres highlighting the accomplishments of Waterkeeper Alliance in North Carolina, and furthering support of the Pure Farms, Pure Waters campaign.

DECEMBER 4-7, 2015

DEER VALLEY CELEBRITY SKIFEST

DEER VALLEY, UTAH

Waterkeeper's signature charity ski weekend took place on opening weekend at Deer Valley Resort. This year's event at the Montage Deer Valley featured a Friday night poker tournament benefit as well as a Saturday gala and live concert by Grammy award-winning band Dierks Bentley. The entire weekend of events was televised in a national CBS special, which aired on Sunday, December 13. Skifest was a huge success, raising over \$650K in revenue and bringing in five new Leadership Circle members.

FEBRUARY 10, 2016

BLUE WATER SERIES

GORDON & BETTY MOORE FOUNDATION, PALO ALTO, CA

Waterkeeper Alliance had a successful BLUE WATER SERIES event at the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation in Silicon Valley — hosted by Kris and Ken Moore and a dedicated host committee. The event garnered an incredible turnout of "tech titans" interested in learning more about the Waterkeeper movement. Longtime Waterkeeper Alliance partner, Toyota Motor Sales, wowed guests upon arrival with an onsite interactive display of the auto giant's fuel cell vehicle the Mirai. Jackie Birdsall, Toyota Motor Sales senior engineer, presented on how the Mirai and Toyota's fuel cell technology works. Sejal Choksi, San Francisco Baykeeper, reminded attendees of threats in their own backyard, and Waterkeeper Alliance President Robert F. Kennedy, Jr., spoke to the strength and recent global growth of the Waterkeeper movement.

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ANNUAL REPORT ALLIANCE WATERKEEPER

APRIL 21, 2016

KEEP IT CLEAN®

AVALON THEATER, LOS ANGELES

The second annual "Keep It Clean®" live comedy event took place at the Avalon Hollywood Theater in Los Angeles. Sponsored by Toyota and Paul Mitchell, the evening featured live stand-up from superstar entertainers to raise critical funds and awareness of Waterkeeper Alliance. Jimmy Kimmel served as host with appearances/performances by Julia Louis Dreyfus, Wanda Sykes, Zach Galifianakis, Ray Romano, JB Smoove, Slink Johnson, Nick Kroll, and Tig Notaro. The event committee of Gay Browne, Eloise and John Paul DeJoria, Julia Louis-Dreyfus and Brad Hall, Rachael Harris and Christian Hebel, Jami and Klaus von Heidegger, Michaeline and Nate Heydari, Cheryl Hines and Robert F. Kennedy, Jr., Heather Richardson, Sara and Hans Schiff, Terry Tamminen, Alexandra and Kent Weed made the night a tremendous success.

APRIL 22, 2016

BLUE WATER SERIES

MALIBU EDITION, MALIBU, CA

Following the successful comedy event, guests joined Waterkeeper Alliance at President Robert F. Kennedy Jr's Malibu home for an outdoor lunch and Toyota ride & drive. More than 20 individuals took the Mirai for a spin around the Malibu neighborhood and three signed up for the Toyota VIP loaner program. The event featured the Green Truck, a SoCal food truck that sources all locally grown organic ingredients.

WATERKEEPER ALLIANCE'S SPLASH EVENT SERIES PRESENTED NATIONALLY BY TOYOTA

The 2016/17 season of Waterkeeper Alliance's SPLASH Event Series presented nationally by Toyota is returning to its roots this year with a heavy emphasis placed on creating new events and regions in turn, allowing Waterkeepers new to the series an ample opportunity to follow in others' footsteps. The SPLASH event series now boasts an alumni class of events, featuring those who have mastered the SPLASH model such as Los Angeles Waterkeeper's Stand Up for Clean Water paddling event. This season included nine new and five alumni events totalling 14 SPLASH Event Series opportunities for communities to recreate, or splash in their local waterways.



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WATERKEEPER ORGANIZATIONS & AFFILIATES

ARGENTINA

Parana Waterkeeper

AUSTRALIA

Alpine Riverkeeper
Bramble Bay Waterkeeper
Coorong Lakes and Murray Waterkeeper
Hawkesbury River Waterkeeper
Mimosa Waterkeeper
Port Phillip Baykeeper
Snowy River Waterkeeper
Surry Riverkeeper
Upper Hunter Waterkeeper
Upper Snowy River Waterkeeper
Werribee Riverkeeper
Yarra Riverkeeper

BAHAMAS

Bimini Coastal Waterkeeper Clifton-Western Bays Waterkeeper Grand Bahama Coastal Waterkeeper Waterkeepers Bahamas

BANGLADESH

Buriganga Riverkeeper Khowai River Waterkeeper Pashur River Waterkeeper Surma River Waterkeeper Waterkeepers Bangladesh

BHUTAN

Thim Chu Waterkeeper

BOLIVIA

Choqueyapu Riverkeeper

BRAZIL

Guanabara Baykeeper

CAMBODIA

Tonle Sap Lake Waterkeeper

CANADA

Fraser Riverkeeper
Fundy Baykeeper
Georgian Baykeeper
Grand Riverkeeper Labrador
Lake Ontario Waterkeeper
Moose Riverkeeper
North Saskatchewan Riverkeeper
Ottawa Riverkeeper
Petitcodiac Riverkeeper

CHILE

Futaleufú Riverkeeper Maule Itata Coastkeeper

CHINA

Beiyun Waterkeeper
Black Reef Coast Waterkeeper
Jiulong River Waterkeeper
Lower Yangtze River Waterkeeper
Middle Han River Waterkeeper
Middle Huai River Waterkeeper
Min River Waterkeeper
Giantang River Waterkeeper
Upper Huai River Waterkeeper
Upper Yellow River Waterkeeper
Waterkeepers China
Xiang River Waterkeeper
Xingyun Lake Waterkeeper

COLOMBIA

Bocas de Ceniza Waterkeeper
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Cartagena Baykeeper
Guardianes del Rio Cusiana, An Affiliate of Rio
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Jordan Riverkeeper
Meta Riverkeeper
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Rio Cravo Sur Waterkeeper
Rio Guatiquia Waterkeeper
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INDIA

Alchi Gonpa Druk Gye Ling, A Himalayan Glacier Waterkeeper Affiliate

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Dzong Khul Gonpa, A Himalayan Glacier Waterkeeper Affiliate

East Kali River Waterkeeper

Gomti River Waterkeeper

Gya Gonpa, a Himalayan Glacier Waterkeeper Affiliate

Hemis Gonpa, a Himalayan Glacier Waterkeeper Affiliate

Hemya Gonpa, a Himalayan Glacier Waterkeeper Affiliate

Himalayan Glacier Waterkeeper

Khephuk Sakti Gonpa, a Himalayan Glacier Waterkeeper Affiliate

Liktse Gonpa, a Himalayan Glacier Waterkeeper Affiliate

Lower Betwa Riverkeeper

Lower Ganga Riverkeeper

Lower Ken Riverkeeper

Lower Yamuna Riverkeeper

Mahanadi River Waterkeeper

Mid Lower Yamuna Riverkeeper

Mid Upper Yamuna Riverkeeper

Mulback Chamba Gonpa, a Himalayan Glacier Waterkeeper Affiliate

Nimoo Gonpa, a Himalayan Glacier Waterkeeper Affiliate

Sani Gonpa, A Himalayan Glacier Waterkeeper Affiliate

Stakna Gonpa, a Himalayan Glacier Waterkeeper Affiliate

Sumda Chun Gonpa, a Himalayan Glacier Waterkeeper Affiliate

Tag Rimo Gonpa, A Himalayan Glacier Waterkeeper Affiliate

Tarchit Gonpa, a Himalayan Glacier Waterkeeper Affiliate

Upper Betwa Riverkeeper

Upper Ganga Riverkeeper

Upper Ken Riverkeeper

Upper Yamuna Riverkeeper

INDONESIA

Cisitu Waterkeeper

IRAQ

Upper Tigris Waterkeeper Waterkeepers Iraq

KENYA

Kenya Lake Victoria Waterkeeper

MEXICO

Bahia de los Angeles Coastkeeper

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Los Cabos Coastkeeper

Magdalena Baykeeper

Mexico Valley Waterkeeper

Punta Abreojos Coastkeeper

Rio Grijalva Waterkeeper

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Tijuana Waterkeeper

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MONGOLIA

Tuul River Waterkeeper

NEPAL

Bagmati River Waterkeeper Karnali River Waterkeeper

PANAMA

Chagres River Waterkeeper

PERU

Central Huallaga Riverkeeper Marañón River Waterkeeper Ramis Riverkeeper

Rio Mapacho Waterkeeper

RUSSIA

Guardians of River Hlynovka, a Vyatka Riverkeeper Affiliate Vyatka Riverkeeper

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Mahaweli River Waterkeeper

SWEDEN

Swedish Baltic Rivers Waterkeeper

TOGO

Yoto River Waterkeeper

UNITED KINGDOM

London Waterkeeper

UNITED STATES ALABAMA

Black Warrior Riverkeeper Cahaba Riverkeeper Choctawhatchee Riverkeeper Coosa Riverkeeper Hurricane Creekkeeper Little River Waterkeeper Mobile Baykeeper Tennessee Riverkeeper

ALASKA

Cook Inletkeeper Inside Passage Waterkeeper Prince William Soundkeeper

ARIZONA

Black Mesa Waterkeeper Friends of the Santa Cruz River, a Waterkeeper Affiliate

CALIFORNIA

CA Urban Streams Alliance - The Stream Team, a Waterkeeper Affiliate California Coastkeeper Alliance **Humboldt Baykeeper** Inland Empire Waterkeeper Klamath Riverkeeper L.A. Waterkeeper Monterey Coastkeeper **Orange County Coastkeeper** Russian Riverkeeper San Diego Coastkeeper San Francisco Baykeeper San Luis Obispo Coastkeeper Santa Barbara Channelkeeper Ventura Coastkeeper Yuba River Waterkeeper

COLORADO

Alamosa Riverkeeper Animas Riverkeeper Boulder Creek, a Waterkeeper Alliance Affiliate Poudre Waterkeeper Roaring Fork Waterkeeper

CONNECTICUT

Long Island Soundkeeper

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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GEORGIA

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NORTH CAROLINA

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OHIO

Lake Erie Waterkeeper

OKLAHOMA

Grand Riverkeeper Tar Creekkeeper

OREGON

Columbia Riverkeeper Rogue Riverkeeper **Tualatin Riverkeepers** Willamette Riverkeeper

PENNSYLVANIA

Delaware Riverkeeper Lower Susquehanna Riverkeeper Middle Susquehanna Riverkeeper Three Rivers Waterkeeper Youghiogheny Riverkeeper

RHODE ISLAND

Narragansett Bay Riverkeeper Narragansett Baykeeper South County Coastkeeper

SOUTH CAROLINA

Charleston Waterkeeper Congaree Riverkeeper Lower Savannah River Alliance, a Savannah Riverkeeper Affiliate Santee Riverkeeper Waccamaw Riverkeeper

TEXAS

Galveston Baykeeper San Antonio Bay Estuarine Waterkeeper

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Colorado Riverkeeper Green River Action Project, A Colorado Riverkeeper Affiliate

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The Trustee Council is composed of up to 35 passionate and committed individuals advancing the mission of Waterkeeper Alliance by raising awareness of key environmental issues, widening the organization's network of influential allies, and advocating for clean water. The Trustee Council elects six members from the group to serve on the Board of Directors and appoints the Treasurer of the organization.

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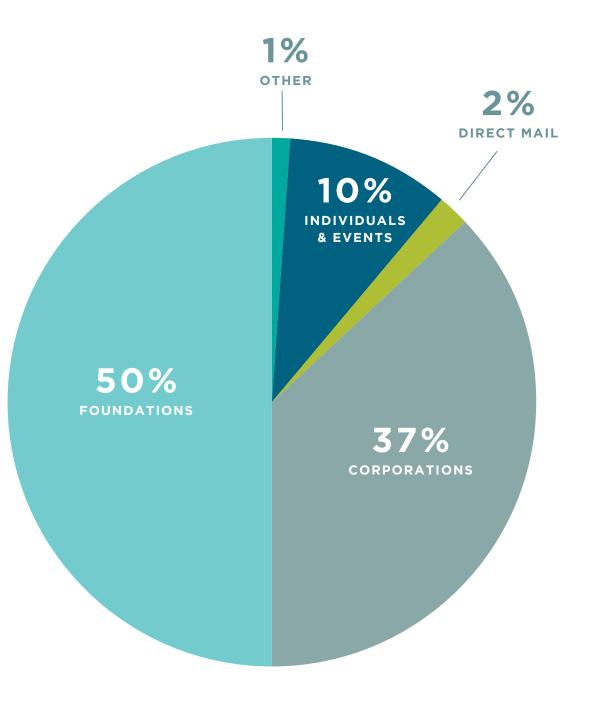
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INCOME

\$16,607,157

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\$17,187,511

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\$1,020,349

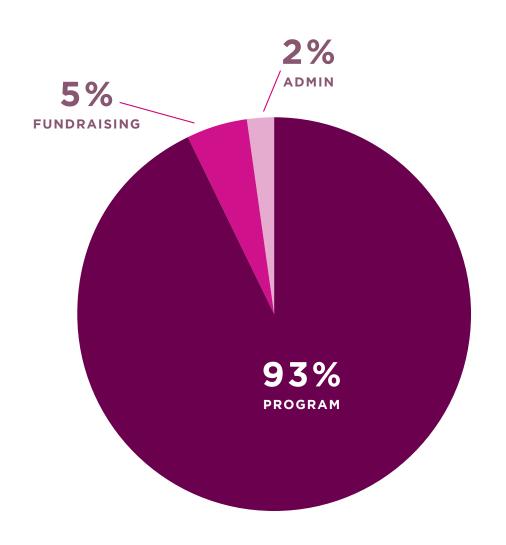
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