- Local media
- Sports/recreational clubs

The EPA will seek to use state and local officials to assist in community outreach and involvement in order to increase the frequency and consistency of communications. The agency will routinely coordinate with and brief local officials to ensure they are informed about all major aspects of the project and to provide opportunities for input into decision-making.

5.2. Community Involvement Tools and Outreach

Table 8 lists key tools that the EPA may use to communicate with stakeholders. Subsequent sub-sections discuss tools and outreach in further detail.

Table 8: Key Tools

TOOL	METHOD
Coordination with Local Government and Other Agencies	Coordinate with local government and other state and federal agencies to keep them informed about project activities and will schedule briefing meetings as needed to discuss the progress of cleanup.
Community Advisory Group	Provide information to the CAG.
Community Events	Attend community events such as fairs, festivals, boating regattas and races, and cultural festivities to distribute information and answer questions.
Community Involvement Coordinator	Return calls or respond to email in a timely manner.
Email	Continue to maintain an email group list to quickly provide the public with timely information on project developments and news.
Fact Sheets	Produce fact sheets throughout the life of the project to keep the public informed and educated on it and the decision-making process. Dissemination to the public through direct mailings, Web postings and at public forums will continue.
Fish and Crab Consumption Advisories	Work with NJDEP to educate communities about the potential dangers of eating contaminated fish and crab.
Health and Safety Information	Share information pertaining to health and safety with the community during scheduled public meetings and in informational materials created for the site. Anticipated topics of interest include, but are not limited to: - Trucking and transportation routes - Work hours - Worker protection - Community safeguards - Environmental monitoring - Emergency response - River use restrictions
Information Repositories	Update information repositories with copies (either electronic or paper) of major site documents, fact sheets, and other relevant items as they become available.
Maps and Visual Aids	Include maps, photographs, and other visual aids in documents and fact sheets, at public sessions, and on the website.
Media Notification/Media Events	Provide updates and information to local newspapers, radio, and television outlets.
Presentations	Provide presentations on site-related topics such as the design and cleanup process and monitoring and sampling techniques.
Press Releases	Disseminate press releases to local area media.

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TOOL	METHOD
Project Website (www.ourpassaic.org)	Post relevant project documents to the website, including new fact sheets, final technical documents, meeting announcements, etc.
Public Comment Period	Solicit public comment at key milestones and as required by law.
Public Input	Accept informal public input throughout the cleanup process.
Public Meetings	EPA will announce public meetings via a variety of methods such as: newspapers, the project website, town websites and the email list.
Public Notices	Announce public comment periods and public meetings via formal public notices in local publications and via the project website.
School/Education Outreach	Provide project information to local schools and academic institutions and will work with existing educational programs to "piggyback" project information and identify additional opportunities for environmental education.
Technical Assistance Services	Respond to community requests for technical assistance to understand the cleanup.

5.2.1. Community Advisory Group (CAG)

Description: A CAG is made up of representatives of diverse community interests who serve as liaisons for their communities and constituents. A CAG can assist the EPA in making better decisions on how to clean up a site. It offers a unique opportunity to hear—and seriously consider—community preferences for site cleanup and restoration. The existence of a CAG, however, does not eliminate the need for the EPA to keep the community informed about plans and decisions throughout the cleanup and restoration process.

Goal: Provide a public forum for community members to present and discuss their needs and concerns related to the decision-making process. This tool will also provide the community with an arena to raise issues already voiced as key concerns.

Method: The EPA will continue to communicate regularly with the CAG. The EPA will attend public CAG meetings and planning sessions. The EPA will present regular updates to the CAG and provide the CAG opportunities to provide comments on key aspects of the project and cleanup progress. In addition, the EPA will provide presentations on topics of interest as requested.

5.2.2. Community Events

Description: The EPA will attend community events such as fairs, festivals, boating regattas and races and cultural festivities to distribute information and answer questions.

Goal: Community events provide the EPA with the opportunity to build and maintain positive relationships with residents. These events also allow the agency to understand and appreciate the variety of events and activities that are important and enjoyed by community members. Community events also serve to enhance awareness about environmental justice issues and allow the EPA to interact directly with community members who might not typically attend EPA meetings.

Method: The EPA will continue to supply staff and provide information at a booth or table at appropriate events. Refer to Appendix 14 for a list of seasonal events and activities.

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Appendix 10 – Stakeholder Groups

American Littoral Society
Don Riepe, Director Northeast Chapter
28 W. 9 Road
Broad Channel, NY 11693
718-634-6467
Email: NEchapter@littoralsociety.org

Association of New Jersey Environmental Commissioners
Jennifer Coffey
PO Box 157
Mendham, NJ 07945
Phone: 973-539-7547
Email: info@anjec.org

Clean Ocean Action
Cindy Zipf, Exec. Director
18 Hartshorn Dr.
PO Box 505
Sandy Hook, NJ 07732
Phone: 732-872-0111
Email: info@CleanOceanAction.org

Environmental Defense Fund
Jim Tripp
New York Headquarters
257 Park Avenue South
New York, NY 10010
Phone: 212-505-2100
Fax: 212-505-2375
Email: via organization website
www.edf.org

Future City, Inc.
Michele McBean, Exec. Director
1139 East Jersey St.
Elizabeth, NJ 07201
Phone: 908-659-0689
Fax: 908-353-1511
Email: info@futurecityinc.org

Green Faith
Rev. Fletcher Harper, Exec. Director
101 South Third Ave., #12
Highland Park, NJ 08904
Phone: 732-565-7740
Fax: 732-565-7790
Email: revfharper@greenfaith.org

Greater Newark Conservancy
Robin L. Dougherty, Exec. Director
32 Prince St.
Newark, NJ 07103
Phone: 973-642-4646
Fax: 973-642-2218
Email: Via website – www.citybloom.org

Hackensack Riverkeeper
Bill Sheehan
231 Main St.
Hackensack, NJ 07601
Phone: 201-968-0808
Fax: 201-968-0336
Email: info@hackensackriverkeeper.org

Hudson River Foundation
Dennis Suszkowski
1 Battery Place, Ste. 915
New York, NY 10004
Phone: 212-483-7667
Fax: 212-924-8325
Email: info@hudsonriver.org

Immigration & American Citizenship Organization (IACO)
647 Main Ave., Ste. 205
Passaic, NJ 07024
Phone: 973-472-4648
Fax: 973-472-4889
Email: info@iacoimmigration@msn.com

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Ironbound Community Corporation
317 Elm St.
Newark, NJ 07105
Phone: 973-465-0555
Fax: 973-465-0505
Email: www.ironboundcc.org

Jersey Coast Anglers
Tom Fote
1594 Lakewood R.
Unit 13
Toms River, NJ 08755
Phone: 732-506-6565
Email: tfote@JCAA.org

La Casa de Don Pedro
Raymond Ocasio
75 Park Ave.
Newark, NJ
Phone: 973-482-8312
Fax: 973-482-1883

Mt. Prospect Partnership
Mike Sheehan
643 Mt. Prospect Ave.
Newark, NJ 07104
201-981-2667

Newark, NJ Natural Resources Defense Council
Brad Sewell
40 W. 20 St.
New York, NY 10011
Phone: 212-727-2700
Email: nrdcinfo@nrdc.org

Nereid Boat Club
3350 Riverside Ave.
Rutherford, NJ 07070
Phone: 201-438-3995
Email: nereidsec@Hotmail.com

New Jersey Institute of Technology (NJIT)
Jay N. Meegoda, Ph.D., P.E.
Department of Civil & Environmental Engineering
Newark, NJ 07102
Phone: 973-596-2464
Fax: 973-596-5790

NY/NJ Baykeeper
Debbie Mans, Exec. Director
52 West Front St.
Keyport, NJ 07735
Phone: 732-888-9870
Fax: 732-888-9873
Email:

Passaic River Coalition
Laurie Howard, Chair
330 Speedwell Ave.
Morristown, NJ 07960
Phone: 973-532-9830
Fax: 973-889-9172
Email via website: www.passaicriver.org

Passaic River Institute (PRI)
Montclair State University
Meiyin S. Wu, Exec. Director
Montclair State University
Montclair, NJ
Phone: 973-655-7117
Email: wum@mail.montclair.edu

Passaic River Rowing Association
PO Box 440
Lyndhurst, NJ 07071

Passaic Valley Sewerage Commissioners (PVSC)
Brian Davenport, River Restoration Program Manager
600 Wilson Ave.
Newark, NJ 07105
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New Brunswick, NJ 08903
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Stevens Institute of Technology
Dr. K. Nadia Dimou
Research Professor
Hoboken, NJ 07030
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Watershed Management Area-4
Watershed Ambassador
Michelle Taormino
PVSC
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Email: ambassador@pvsc.nj.gov

Appendix 11 – Potential Meeting Locations

Belleville, NJ

Belleville Senior Citizens Center
125 Franklin Ave.
Belleville, NJ 07109
Phone: 973-450-3430

Elizabeth, NJ

Boys & Girls Club of Elizabeth
513 Richmond St.
Elizabeth, NJ 07202
Phone: 908-351-3344

St. Anthony's Youth Center
219 High St.
Elizabeth, NJ 07202
Phone: 908-353-0177

Knights of Columbus
328 Union Ave.
Elizabeth, NJ 07208
Phone: 908-355-2253

Jersey City, NJ

Boys Club of Jersey City
1 Canal St.
Jersey City, NJ 07302
Phone: 201-333-4100

Friendship Masonic Lodge
78 Summit Ave.
Jersey City, NJ 07304
Phone: 201-451-4604

Kearny, NJ

Presbyterian Boys and Girls Club
663 Kearny Ave.
Kearny, NJ 07032
Phone: 201-991-9841

YMCA of Kearny
728 Kearny Ave.
Kearny, NJ 07032
Phone: 201-997-4651

American Legion Kearny Frobisher Post 99
314 Belgrove Drive
Kearny, NJ 07032
Phone: 201-991-6360

Elks BPO Lodge 1050 Kearny
601 Elm St.
Kearny, NJ 07032
Phone: 201-991-6360

Franklin School
100 Davis Ave.
Kearny, NJ 07032
Phone: 201-955-5020

Newark, NJ

Barringer High School
90 Parker St.
Newark, NJ 07014
Phone: 973-268-5125

East Newark Public
501-11 N. Third St.
East Newark, NJ 07029
Phone: 201-481-6800

East Side High School
238 Van Buren St.
Newark, NJ 07105
Phone: 973-465-4900

Elizabeth Ave. Community Center
54 Elizabeth Ave.
Newark, NJ 07108
Phone: 973-242-0531

Ironbound Community Center
432 Lafayette St.
Newark, NJ 07105
Phone: 973-465-0947

North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority (NJTPA)
One Newark Center, 17th floor
Newark, NJ 07102
Phone: 973-639-8400
Fax: 073-639-1953

Portuguese Sports Club
55 Prospect St.
Newark, NJ 07105
Phone: 973-589-5078

Society Hill Community Center
1 Cornerstone Lane
Newark, NJ 07103
Phone: 973-622-0256

St. Lucy's Community Center
106 S. 7th St.
Newark, NJ 07107
Phone: 973-483-9003

West Side Community Center
West Side Park & 13th
Newark, NJ 07102
Phone: 973-642-2015

Appendix 13 – Media List

Newspapers

El Nuevo Coqui (Spanish)
258 Clifton Ave.
Newark, NJ 07103
Phone: 973-481-3233

Jersey Journal
One Harmon Plaza
Ste. 1010
Secaucus, NJ 07094
Phone: 201-653-1000
Website: www.nj.com/jjournal/

Jersey Journal Spanish Edition
Same address as above

Luso Americano (Portuguese)
88 Ferry Street
Newark, NJ 07105
Phone: 973-589-4600
Fax: 973-973-589-3848
Website: www.lusoamericano.com

Luso Americano (Portuguese)
Classified Section
66 Union St.
Newark, NJ 07105
Phone: 973-344-3200
Fax: 973-344-4201

The Record
50 Walnut St.
Newark, NJ 07102
Phone: 973-643-0251
Website: www.northjersey.com

The Star Ledger
1 Gateway Center, X1100
Newark, NJ 07102
Phone: 973-392-4141
Website: www.nj.com/starledger/

The South Bergenite
33 Lincoln Ave.
Rutherford, NJ 07070
Phone: 201-933-1166

Television Stations

NJN Network – Channel 50 (Public TV)
50 Park Place, Ste. 1041
Newark, NJ 07102
Phone: 973-648-3630
Website: www.njntvonline.org

NJTV Public Television
PO Box 5776
Englewood, NJ 07631
Phone: 609-777-0031
Toll-free: 1-800-882-6622

Telemundo Channel 47 (Spanish)
WNJU
2200 Fletcher Ave.
Fort Lee, NJ 07024
Phone: 201-969-4246
Website: www.telemunco47.com

Univision Channel 41 (Spanish)
WXTV
500 Frank w. Burr Blvd.
Teaneck, NJ 07666
Phone: 201-287-4141
Website: www.univision.com

WWOR-TV Channel 9
Secaucus, NJ
www.my9nj.com

Radio

WABC-AM
2 Penn Plaza, #1700
New York, NY 10013
Phone: 212-268-5260
Station Phone: 212-613-3800
Website: www.wabcradio.com

WADO-AM (Spanish)
Univision Radio Network
277 Paterson Plank Rd.
Carlstadt, NJ 07072
Phone: 201-804-1739
Website: www.univision.com

WBGO
Newark Public Radio, Inc.
54 Park Pl.
Newark, NJ 07102
Phone: 973-624-8880
Fax: 973-824-8888
Website: www.wbgo.org

1010 WINS-AM (All News)
Website: www.newyork.cbslocal.com

WLIB-AM 1190 (Urban)
Phone: 212-447-1000
Fax: 212-447-5211
General Email: info@wlib.com
Website: www.wlib.com

WPAT-AM 930 AM (Multicultural)
27 William St., 11 fl.
New York, NY 10005
Phone: 212-966-1059
Fax: 212-966-8580
Website: www.wpat930.c0m

WWRL – 1600 AM
Woodside, NY 11377
Phone: 718-355-1600
Website: www.aboutus.com/Wwrl1600.com

Radio Brazil Legal (Portuguese/Brazilian)
350 Lafayette St.
Newark, NJ 07105
Phone: 973-351-4940
Website: www.radiolegal.fm.br

Radio Portugal 1430 AM
189-215 South St.
Newark, NJ 07114
Phone: 201-344-1155
Fax: 201-589-0022
Email: radioportugal@vivaportugal.com

Radio Verite (Haitian/Creole)
15 Prospect St.
E. Orange, NJ 07017
Phone: 973-676-1671

Appendix 14 – Seasonal Events and Activities

The following appendix lists seasonal events in the Passaic River watershed, but it is not a complete list. For further information, please click on the relevant links below or visit www.ourpassaic.org.

Multi-Season

American Littoral Society sponsored activities, including beach and nature walks
http://www.littoralsociety.org/index.php/trips-a-events/new-jersey

Clean Ocean Action sponsored events, including beach cleanups
http://cleanoceanaction.org/index.php?id=611

Hackensack Riverkeeper sponsored activities, including: eco-walks, eco-cruises (guided river tours by canoe and kayak), canoe and kayak rentals, and river cleanups
http://www.hackensackriverkeeper.org/calendar-of-events/
http://www.hackensackriverkeeper.org/activities-and-events/cleanups/
https://www.facebook.com/HackensackRiverkeeper

Jersey Coast Anglers Association sponsored events, including fishing tournaments
http://www.jcaa.org/

Passaic River Rowing Association sponsored activities, including rowing lessons
http://prra.org/news-and-events/

Somerset County Park Commission canoe and kayak programs
http://www.somersetcountyparks.org/activities/canoeKayak/CanoeingKayaking.html

Fall

Head of the Passaic Regatta, sponsored in part by the Nereid Boat Club
http://www.hopr.org/

Spring

Annual Barnegat Bay Festival, sponsored in part by the Barnegat Bay Partnership
http://bbp.ocean.edu/pages/266.asp

National Learn to Row Day, sponsored by U.S. Rowing
http://archive.usrowing.org/events_new/nltrd