

The Ohio Department of Natural Resources  
Division of Watercraft Scenic Rivers Program  
Stream Quality Monitoring (SQM) Project

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<http://watercraft.ohiodnr.gov/scenicrivers>

During this workshop, Scenic Rivers Program staff will give an in-depth introduction to Ohio's Scenic Rivers Program and the Ohio SQM Project. Participants will learn about the simple, yet effective, river monitoring techniques that have kept Ohio's citizens volunteering for years. Participants should be prepared to be in the water and be willing to learn about some of Ohio's aquatic macroinvertebrates.

This workshop will take place at Lake Metroparks' Helen Hazen Wyman Park on the Grand Wild & Scenic River. This park is uniquely situated along the junction of the Grand River mainstem, Big Creek and Kellogg Creek.

Participants will take part in interactive discussion learning about Ohio's Scenic Rivers Program and SQM Project. In stream work will include identifying aquatic macroinvertebrates and assisting Scenic Rivers Program staff in collecting and recording SQM data in the Grand River, Big Creek and Kellogg Creek. The field workshop will conclude with a discussion of the results and how the data can be used to educate citizens about water quality and watershed stewardship.

Those attending will need to dress for the weather and bring hip or chest waders to participate in the sampling. A pavilion and restrooms are available.

Arrive at Helen Hazen Wyman Park                      11:00am

Depart for Wyndham at Playhouse Square    3:00pm

Helen Hazen Wyman Park: 6101 Painesville Warren Road, Concord Twp., Ohio 44077

<http://www.lakemetroparks.com/select-park/helen-hazen.shtml>