

The Delaware Estuary

Each **WATERSHED** on the next page is a different color. See if you can locate the watershed that **YOU** live in!

Q. What exactly is the DELAWARE ESTUARY?

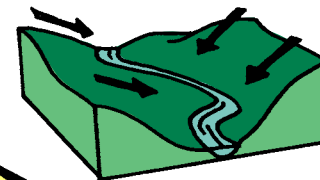
A. The Delaware Estuary includes parts of Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Delaware, stretching approximately 133 miles from the falls of the Delaware River near Trenton, NJ to the mouth of the Delaware Bay between Cape May, NJ and Cape Henlopen, DE.

Estuaries are bodies of water where salt water from the ocean mixes with fresh water flowing off the land. They are very important feeding grounds, habitats (homes), and nurseries for fish, birds, reptiles, amphibians, mammals, and tons of other creatures. The wetlands in the Estuary clean out many pollutants from the water and help protect us from floods.



Q. What's a WATERSHED?

A. The **WATERSHED** of a stream is all of the land that sheds water into that stream when it rains. When rain falls on land, it drains or runs off to the nearest stream or river that is downhill.



Q. What did the ocean say to the beach?
A. Nothing. It just waved.

What's My Watershed Address?

If you live in Roxborough, Chestnut Hill, West Germantown, or West Mt. Airy, you live in the **WISSAHICKON CREEK WATERSHED**

If you live near University of PA, the Airport, or west of Broad Street in South Philly, Center City, or North Philly, you live in one of the **SCHUYLKILL RIVER UNDERGROUND TRIBUTARIES' WATERSHEDS**

The **TACONY CREEK WATERSHED** is part of the **FRANKFORD CREEK WATERSHED**

If you live near Academy Road, Woodhaven Road, or the Northeast Philly Airport, you live in the **POQUESSING CREEK WATERSHED**

If you live near Cobbs Creek, you live in the **COBBS CREEK WATERSHED**

If you live in Frankford, Bridesburg, Juniata, Logan, Olney, Oak Lane, East Germantown, East Mt. Airy, or Cheltenham Township, you live in the **FRANKFORD CREEK WATERSHED**

If you live in Wissinoming, Tacony, Mayfair, or Lawncrest, you live in the **WISSINOMING CREEK WATERSHED**

If you live in Rhawnhurst, Fox Chase, or Bustleton, you live in the **PENNSPACK CREEK WATERSHED**

If you live east of Broad Street in South Philly, Center City, or North Philly, or in Port Richmond or Kensington, you live in one of the **DELAWARE RIVER UNDERGROUND TRIBUTARIES' WATERSHEDS**

My Home Address is:

My Watershed Address is:

