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Fort Wayne, IN, August 25, 2023 – **Citizen Science Water Quality Monitoring Training**

The St. Joseph River Watershed Initiative and Maumee Watershed Alliance are teaming up on Sept. 10, 2023 at Metea Park to offer Hoosier Riverwatch water quality monitoring training for individuals interested in learning more about water quality in local streams. If you would like to learn how to monitor water quality and become a citizen scientist, this training is for you.

This FREE workshop will be led by certified Hoosier Riverwatch trainers Sharon Partridges and Jackie Buck, with assistance from local macroinvertebrate expert Deanne Jensen. In this workshop you will learn the basic concepts of watersheds, water pollution, and the ecological integrity of streams through classroom sessions and hands on fieldwork in the Cedar Creek. Be prepared to get your feet wet as you learn how to monitor the physical, chemical, and biological quality of wadeable streams.

Participants will receive a printed training manual, Hoosier Riverwatch certification, and access to the Hoosier Riverwatch online database to enter water quality data you collect to be a part of the citizen science community monitoring Indiana's water resources.

The Hoosier Riverwatch program is sponsored by the Indiana Department of Environmental Management, Office of Water Quality whose mission is to monitor, protect, and improve Indiana's water resources to ensure its continued use as a drinking water source, habitat for wildlife, recreational resource and economic asset.

Date: September 10, 2023
Time: 9:00am – 5:00pm
Place: Metea Park: 8401 Union Chapel Road, Fort Wayne, IN 46845
Cost: FREE!

Registration is required. To register or for more information contact Sharon Partridge at ssp2655@gmail.com

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