



LOWER RARITAN WATERSHED PARTNERSHIP (LRWP)

Board & Technical Advisory Member Application

Please return your completed application & resume to:

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OUR MISSION

The mission of the Lower Raritan Watershed Partnership (LRWP) is to conserve, enhance, and restore New Jersey Watershed Management Area 9 (the Lower Raritan Watershed). We celebrate the natural, environmental, historical, and cultural legacies of the region through community-based participatory science, stewardship, and ecological education.

Thank you for your interest in leadership service with the LRWP! This application helps us understand your background, skills, and goals so we can ensure a mutually beneficial partnership.

1. PERSONAL INFORMATION

Full Name:	
Home Address:	
Email Address:	
Mobile Phone:	
Work Phone:	
Preferred Contact:	☐ Email ☐ Mobile ☐ Work
Current Employer & Title:	

Full Name:	
Employer Address:	
Type of Business / Organization:	

Application Role:

- ☐ **Board Member**
- ☐ **Technical Advisor** (*Specify area of focus/committee interest*):

2. VOLUNTEER & LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Please list relevant past and present service on boards, committees, or volunteer roles (business, civic, environmental, or professional):

Organization	Role / Title	Dates of Service

3. MOTIVATION & VISION

Why the LRWP?

What specifically motivates you to lend your leadership and volunteer time to our organization over others?

Our Work:

What excites you most about our current programs, initiatives, and mission?

Strategic Outlook:

What do you see as 1–2 key challenges and 1–2 major opportunities for the LRWP in the coming years?

4. SKILLS & EXPERTISE

Please check all skills and expertise you bring that will strengthen our organization:

Environmental & Technical

- ☐ Environmental Sciences
- ☐ Floodplain Management (CFPM)
- ☐ GIS / IT / Data Management
- ☐ Resilience & Emergency Management
- ☐ Landscape Architecture

Governance & Operations

- ☐ Public Policy & Advocacy
- ☐ Nonprofit Management / HR / Business Admin
- ☐ Legal Expertise
- ☐ Facilities Management / Real Estate

Finance & Development

- ☐ Accounting, Bookkeeping & Budgeting
- ☐ Grant Writing
- ☐ Financial Investment Management
- ☐ Event Planning & Fundraising

Outreach & Engagement

- ☐ Community Engagement
- ☐ Social Media & Marketing
- ☐ Formal & Informal Education
- ☐ Web Design
- ☐ Recreational Access (*leading walks, paddles, etc.*)
- ☐ Woodworking / Boat Building

Additional Skill Details:

Please provide additional context on your selected skills or list any other expertise you offer:

5. COLLABORATION ATTRIBUTES

Check the personal traits and working styles that best describe you:

- ☐ Collaborative
- ☐ Respectful of varying points of view
- ☐ Willing and able to lead discussions
- ☐ Facilitative style
- ☐ Enthusiastic & Optimistic
- ☐ Comfortable speaking in front of groups
- ☐ Responsive & manages time well
- ☐ Strong work ethic
- ☐ Good sense of humor
- ☐ Asks tough questions constructively

6. EXPECTATIONS & TIME COMMITMENTS

Fundraising Commitment (Board Applicants Only):

Board members act as organizational ambassadors and are expected to connect their network to our mission. Additionally, every board member makes an annual financial contribution at a level that is personally meaningful. Please speak to your comfort level with this requirement:

Time Commitment:

Service requires approximately **10–15 hours per month**, along with attendance at special events (such as our annual holiday potluck). Do you foresee any potential conflicts with meeting this commitment, and how will you manage them?

7. BACKGROUND & REFERENCES

Recommender:

Who recommended you for board or technical advisory service?

Background Screening:

Have you ever been convicted of, or pled guilty / no contest to, a crime? ☐ Yes ☐ No

(If yes, please briefly explain):

Professional References

Please provide two references we may contact:

1. **Name:** _____ **Relationship:**

Contact (Phone or Email):

2. **Name:** _____ **Relationship:**

Contact (Phone or Email):

8. ATTACHMENTS

- ☐ **Resume / CV Attached**
- **Professional Summary / Bio:** Please provide a brief professional bio (100–150 words) below for use in organizational outreach materials: