



TOWNSHIP OF SPARTA

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memorandum

TO : WILLIAM E. CLOSE, TOWNSHIP MANAGER

FROM : SPARTA TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

DATE : MARCH 2, 2015

SUBJECT : SUPPORT FOR TROUT UNLIMITED APPLICATION FOR  
SPARTA GLEN BROOK PROJECT

On February 26, 2015, the local chapter of Trout Unlimited provided the Township Environmental Commission with a project overview of the Sparta Glen Brook stream restoration project. The presentation focused on the habitat restoration activities that Trout Unlimited and their partners would undertake to restore and enhance the Brook. As the Council is aware, the Brook has been negatively impacted by severe weather events over a multi-year period. The result of these events has been to alter the natural characteristics of the Brook and its ability to function as a critical cold water fishery. The Environmental Commission supports this enhancement project and recommends that the Township Council provide the necessary concurrence for the NJDEP permitting to ensure that this project moves forward in a timely manner. Given that this project is likely to be completed over a three year period, we further recommend that Council request that Trout Unlimited and its partners provide periodic updates to the Township regarding project progress and any additional support that may be required from the Township.

Cc: Mayor Jerry Murphy and Council