West Milford Lake Dam Removal Survey

In the near future the dam at West Milford Lake will be breached as it is classified as a Class 1, High Hazard structure. The water level of the lake will consequently be lowered approximately 12 feet, and the resulting area of open water will be approximately 0.25 acres.

We would like to hear from you, the residents of West Milford Lake, about what YOU want to do, or not do, with the areas once the dam is breached. Please take the time to fill out this survey so that we can gain a better and truer understanding of your thoughts, opinions, and ideas. Thank you!

Upon completion of the dam breach, which of the following concepts would you like to see happen. Please check all that apply. Additional comments and feedback are encouraged and can be made at the bottom of this page.

☐ Leave the area alone and let nature take its course.
☐ Create a local park equipped with walking/biking trails.
Create a stormwater Best Management Practice (BMP). A stormwater BMP would have the added benefit of creating a natural area that also serves as a way to filter out pollutants from stormwater before it reaches Greenwood Lake.
☐ Create a local park in conjunction with a stormwater BMP.
Create a BMP that would essentially mimic the original stream channel with associated areas of wetland. A boardwalk equipped with signs can be incorporated as an educational tool for the community, as well as serve as a model for neighboring communities and municipalities.
☐ Create a BMP in conjunction with an Environmental Education Center.
Additional Comments:

Please submit competed forms to the West Milford Planning Department, 1480 Union Valley Road, or submit your comments by calling 973-728-2795.