

Join the RiverWatch

Our local rivers and waterways are suffering. Sewage and other pollution is entering our rivers untreated, fish are dying and are unhealthy to eat and people are getting sick from by water-borne diseases, some life-threatening like cholera. Most people are un-informed and don't know if the water they use is safe.

How can WATERKEEPERS® IRAQ and the RiverWatch help?

WATERKEEPERS® IRAQ is a program of Nature Iraq, a non-governmental, environmental organization with offices in Sulaimani, Baghdad & Chibaish. We work on river protection, education and outreach and this program is run by local advocates for rivers and the communities who rely upon them. In Kurdistan, northern Iraq, the Iraq Upper Tigris Waterkeeper is this voice for local rivers and waterways.

Under the **RiverWatch Project**, the Waterkeeper as well as a River Educator conduct regular trips to local rivers with students and other community members to monitor basic water quality, develop local clean up actions that promote the health of our waterways, and provides a way through which students and the larger community can learn more about the status of our local rivers and water issues.

Become an advocate for the streams, lakes and rivers in your areas and participate in the larger effort to make our rivers swimmable, drinkable and safe for all human uses.

What does a RiverWatch Trip entail for schools and other groups?

The Waterkeeper and Educator can visit your students in the classroom and explain the program, describe how we monitor the river and discuss the importance of protecting water quality. We will then provide transportation to bring the students and teachers out to visit a local river or stream nearby and work with the students to collect water quality information. Afterwards, we'll take the information collected back to the classroom and work with the students to analyze the results.

We are scheduling trips now for secondary and university school groups.

To join in and schedule a RiverWatch trip for your students or other groups, please call 07704616371 or write to river_educator@natureiraq.org. You can also use our "RiverWatch Trip Registration Request Form", which can be filled out and emailed to river_educator@natureiraq.org. After we receive the form, will contact you to discuss dates, logistics and confirm your RiverWatch Trip.

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RiverWatch Trip Registration Request

Thank you for your interest in the RiverWatch. To make a request to schedule a RiverWatch trip, please email this completed form to river_educator@natureiraq.org.

Date of Request			
School			
Teacher			
School Location			
Date For the Requested Trip			
Time	Arrival:	Departure:	
Student Grade Level			
Number of Students			
Contact Phone number			
Contact Email			
Other Contact Notes:			
For Waterkeepers Iraq use only			
Contacted:		Trip confirmation.	