



## Final Report to the Schoharie Watershed Stream Management Implementation Program

### CD Lane Family Day 2011

The Community of Windham Foundation (COWF) sponsored a Family Day as part of the 2011 Schoharie Watershed Month (May 2011). The Family Day activities included Trout Unlimited fly fishing demonstrations, water quality testing activities with the Schoharie River Center, nature hikes, kayak demonstrations, and a water-focused craft activity. The Family Day activities are intended to encourage responsible use of water and nearby land areas. Approximately 60 individuals participated in the 2011 COWF Family Day, which was held on Saturday, May 28, 2011 along Main Street in Windham. This location was chosen (instead of CD Lane Park) in order to increase attendance at and public participation in Family Day.

Publicity efforts included announcements on the local radio station (WRIP), newspaper advertisements, and flyers. Family Day participation numbers were determined by short surveys given to those in attendance.

The goal of Family Day was to provide information to people of all ages so as to create an understanding and respect of the importance of safe and clean recreational use of water and land areas. Written literature on environmental protection was handed out to participants, and the Family Day activities helped participants gain a wholesome perspective of the natural world and responsible recreation.



*Family Day participants learned about what macroinvertebrates can tell us about water quality from John McKeeby of the Schoharie River Center*



*Community of Windham Foundation members*