## GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE HONOR ROLE

As you recall, March 2, 2021 is the deadline for towns to adopt a stormwater management ordinance that complies with the state's "Green Infrastructure Rule".

During the past year, The Watershed



Institute has been working with individual municipalities as they drafted their ordinances. Taking into account a variety of town-specific factors, we've worked with Environmental Commissions, elected officials, and municipal staff to develop a customized approach to stormwater management incorporating language from the Watershed's model ordinance that will result in reduced flooding and improved water quality.

To date, the following places in the Stony Brook-Millstone Watershed have joined our Honor Roll by adopting protections stronger than the state's basic requirements: **Cranbury, Millstone Township, Montgomery, and Princeton**.

These protections will provide benefits across our watershed. When stormwater runoff is treated with green infrastructure, the quantity of pollutants that reach our waterways is dramatically reduced. In addition, onsite retention requirements help to address the widespread flooding issues that we are experiencing.

We continue to work with municipalities in our region and across the state. If your town needs advice or technical support, please contact Assistant Policy Director Sophie Glovier at <u>sglovier@thewatershed.org</u>