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Watershed Mo(ve)ments: Capturing Community Narratives to Connect River Health and Personal Well-being

Genesee River and Raquette Rivers, NY - [June 2024-June2025] - The ADK Climate Project is proud to announce the launch of its new initiative, Watershed Mo(ve)ments, designed to collect and share personal stories from residents living along the Genesee and Raquette Rivers. Modeled after the successful ADK Climate Project, a two-year collaboration with the Adirondack Council and project directors Rose Pasquarello Beauchamp and Stephanie Ashenfelder, Watershed Mo(ve)ments continues to explore community-based participatory research in the arts. By focusing on community voices within these regions, Watershed Mo(ve)ments aims to explore the inherent connection between the health of these waterways and the well-being of the people who depend on them. This extension of the ADK Climate Project offers a unique opportunity to collaborate with Andrea Gluckman, Director of Source Waters, a research project examining the impact of climate change on river cultures. Together, the team will address whether storytelling and art can be utilized to foster a deeper comprehension of the direct link between water health and individual health across diverse watershed communities. Watershed Mo(ve)ments is supported by the Institute for Human Health and the Environment’s research catalyst funding. Their award of \$50,000 underscores the significance of this research and its potential to make a meaningful impact on both environmental and public health fronts while acknowledging an “aptitude for nonlinear growth, essential for future projects of similar or even greater scope.”

For more information about Watershed Mo(ve)ments and to participate in this vital initiative, please visit <https://adkclimateproject.com/s/adk/page/get-involved> or contact Stephanie.Ashenfelder@rochester.edu.

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