Overview of Programs to Help Riparian Landowners
Westfield River Landowner Assistance Guide 2012
www.westfieldriverwildscenic.org

Wild & Scenic Riverfront Property Owner Resources
National Wild and Scenic Rivers: www.rivers.gov

Guide to Riverfront Property Owners
http://www.rivers.gov/publications/landowners.pdf

Functions and Values of Riparian Areas
Many fact sheets available at:
www.mass.gov/dfwele/der/riverways/resources/riverfactsheets

Riparian Buffer Plantings to Stabilize Streambanks
Riparian Buffers for the Connecticut River Valley:
http://www.crjc.org/riparianbuffers.htm

The Massachusetts Buffer Manual: A guidance manual that explains the benefits of using vegetated buffers to protect our lakes and rivers, prepared by the Berkshire Regional Planning Commission.
http://www.berkshireplanning.org/download/mass_buffer_handbook/title.pdf

Selected Internet Resources for Riparian Areas and Vegetated Buffers:
http://www.mass.gov/dfwele/der/riverways/pdf/internet_resources_riparian_veg_buffers.pdf

List of Native Riparian Species:
http://www.mass.gov/dfwele/der/riverways/pdf/native_riparian_species.pdf

River Corridor Planning
Resources, trainings, and information for planning boards on developing bylaws to address issues such as: aquifer protection, agricultural planning, development regulations, storm water management, and floodplain protection. Massachusetts Citizen Planner Training Collaborative: www.umass.edu/masscptc

Easements and Land Conservation
Mass Acorn ~ information for forest landowners in the Deerfield and Westfield River watersheds. http://massacorn.net/

Low Impact Development (LID) Techniques, Including Storm Water Control
State natural resource, land use, and transportation agencies have programs to help individuals and communities use best management practices (BMPs) to control storm water.

Low Impact Development Center: www.lowimpactdevelopment.org

Massachusetts Rain Garden Manual
http://www.mass.gov/dfwele/der/riverways/pdf/raingardenfactsheet.pdf

Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection
Storm water resources and regulations:
http://www.mass.gov/dep/water/wastewater/stormwat.htm

Better Backroads guide
http://www.mass.gov/dep/water/wastewater/stormwat.htm

Greenscapes Massachusetts: http://www.greenscapes.org/

Stream Restoration Assistance
Technical assistance to help river restoration projects, e.g. culvert replacements, dam removals, and stream daylighting.

Massachusetts Department of Ecological Restoration
http://www.mass.gov/dfwele/der/

Water, Wastewater & Wetland Permits
For permit assistance, contact your Town's Conservation Commission.

Laws: http://www.mass.gov/dep/water/laws/laws.htm

Regulations & Standards:
http://www.mass.gov/dep/water/laws/regulati.htm

Permits, Reporting & Forms:
http://www.mass.gov/dep/water/permitsa.htm

Fisheries Habitat
Trout Unlimited: http://www.ma-ri-tu-council.org/

Partners for Fish and Wildlife: http://www.fws.gov/partners/

Invasive Species
Westfield River Invasive Species Partnership (WISP)
wrwisp@gmail.com
www.thetrustees.org/jci/library/WISP_Invasives_Management.pdf

Informational Videos
Video: *River Dynamics, River Restoration*
By Mike Kline of the Vermont Rivers Program
From: memefilms/Nov 2, 2010. A video overview of river dynamics directed, filmed and edited by James Valastro, South Burlington, Vermont.
http://www.youtube.com/user.memefilms?feature=guide#p/a/u/0/0Va7E7KOz94

Video: *Vermont River Meanders and Floodplains, River Restoration*
By Shayne Jaquith of the Vermont Rivers Program
From: memefilms/Nov 17, 2010. A video overview of river meanders and floodplains, how channel equilibrium has been altered by humans, and how rivers adjust to restore and preserve channel equilibrium over time. Directed, produced, and edited by James Valastro, South Burlington, Vermont.
http://www.youtube.com/user.memefilms?feature=guide#p/a/u/2/RQ6oyf9C8Lc