

# Monitoring the Health of the Alcovy River

The Alcovy River is widely touted as one of the cleanest of all the Piedmont rivers. This is due in no small part to the hardwood swamps of the river, and a forward-thinking community who has chosen to keep those natural filtering systems intact.

Through the Georgia Adopt-A-Stream program, community volunteers regularly monitor chemical levels, and aquatic insects, crustaceans, worms, and mollusks that live in the stream and derive their oxygen from water. Years of favorable data gives credence to the view that the Alcovy is indeed a healthy river system.

## You Can Help

Protect the river, and leave it cleaner than you found it.

Join the East End Adopt-A-Stream team.

Become a member of Georgia Wildlife Federation.

**Learn more at [www.gwf.org](http://www.gwf.org).**

