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Secaucus Illegal Dumping Team Earns “Don’t Waste Our Open Space” Enforcement Award from the New Jersey Clean Communities Council

SECAUCUS – June 09, 2016 –The Secaucus Illegal Dumping Team has received the “Don’t Waste Our Open Space” Enforcement Award from the New Jersey Clean Communities Council (NJCCC) for its efforts on cracking down on illegal dumping in parks.

Last August, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) launched its highly successful program, “Don’t Waste Our Open Space,” in Secaucus to help eliminate illegal dumping. Spearheaded by Secaucus Environmental Coordinator Amanda Nesheiwat, the Secaucus Illegal Dumping Team has helped yield several arrests, prompted by investigations of illegal dump sites.

The team continually works to raise awareness of illegal dumping through outreach and education, recruiting residents’ help, wherever possible, in reporting suspects.

“The Secaucus Illegal Dumping Team has made tremendous strides in putting a stop to illegal dumping on natural, environmentally-sensitive lands,” said NJCCC Executive Director Sandy Huber. “We are proud of the team’s efforts to raise awareness about this issue in Secaucus, and salute Amanda and her team for their dedication to the cause.”

NJCCC is a comprehensive, statewide litter-abatement program that has served New Jersey residents and visitors for more than 25 years. Learn more at njclean.org.

PHOTO CAPTION: Environmental Coordinator and Commissioner of Secaucus’ Environmental Committee Amanda Nesheiwat (left) receives the Enforcement Award from NJCCC President Patrick Ryan. (right)