

## Project Update: March 2012

As part of the Lesser Zab Threat Assessment, the Iraq Upper Tigris Waterkeeper identified that municipal garbage is a major threat to the Lesser Zab River in the town of Dukan. During the assessment of the river, garbage has been routinely found on the river banks and floating in the river throughout many of the survey areas. In the town of Dukan, many homes along the right bank of the river were not provided with municipal garbage service. Through a joint effort of the Waterkeeper and the Mayor's office in Dukan, a large public event took place on the 15th of March 2012. With financial support from the First Organizing Center of the Patriotic Union of Kurdistan, over 75 large rubbish bins were distributed to each house along the right bank of the river and a week later, municipal garbage service was extended to the street residents.

