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Director of Water Resource Protection Programs

Sarita oversees NEIWPCC's work related to source water protection, contaminants of emerging concern, and quality assurance. Sarita serves as the project officer for the Lake Champlain Basin Program and supervises grants and funding for initiatives across Vermont, New York, and the province of Quebec. She also oversees NEIWPCC's efforts in the Hudson River and its estuary.



Sarita has over 30 years of experience in environmental engineering, operations, and capital project management. Prior to joining NEIWPCC in January of 2023, Sarita

served as the assistant director of public works at the Merrimack Wastewater Treatment Facility. In this capacity, she managed the overall operation of the town's Wastewater Division, including the wastewater facility, compost facility, pumping stations, and collection system. She managed a \$4.5 million operating budget and a \$32 million upgrade project, and provided technical assistance to the town of Merrimack regarding contaminants of emerging concern and regulatory changes.

Prior to working for the town of Merrimack, Sarita was a senior Title V engineer for NHDES, responsible for the development and review of Federal Title V Air Permits in the state of New Hampshire. Activities included the development of emissions calculations, determining the compliance requirements associated with all regulations, writing permits, and tracking compliance of all Title V facilities. She also served as an environmental compliance technical lead at Bristol-Myers Squibb and an environmental engineering department manager at ROHM and HAAS Electronic Materials.

Education:

B.S., Chemical Engineering, University of Rochester Graduate coursework in Environmental Management, Bentley University Graduate coursework in Biotechnology, Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Licenses:

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Affiliations:

New England Water Environment Association New Hampshire Water Pollution Control Association Water Environment Federation