

34th Annual Nonpoint Source Conference

April 10 - 11, 2024

Saybrook Point Resort & Marina, Old Saybrook, Connecticut



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APRIL 10 | DAY 1

7:00 - 8:00	Breakfast Riverside/Gardner	
8:00 - 10:00	Registration Main Lobby	
10:00 - 11:00	Opening Session Light House Gallery Mike Bisi, NEIW PCC Commissioner (invited) Mike Scozzafava, U.S. EPA (invited) TBD	
11:00 - 11:15	Break Riverside/Gardner	
11:15 - 12:15	Coastal Crews Light House Gallery Moderator: Braden Lynn, CT DEEP Building Community Capacity to Address Stormwater Issues and Build Climate Resiliency Elizabeth Scott, Elizabeth Scott Consulting Conducting an Expert Panel on Advanced Septic Systems for New Hampshire. Process and Top Ideas from Across New England. Cayce Dalton, FB Environmental & Abigail Lyon, Piscataqua Region Estuaries Partnership	Back 2 Nature Fenwick Moderator: Susan Peterson, CT DEEP Removal of Strong Pond Dam and Restoration of Norwalk River Abbie Winter, CT DEEP & Alex Krofta, Save the Sound Fresh From the Field: Diverse Wetlands and Climate Refuge - Insights from the *just completed* first phase of a 40-acre cranberry bog restoration project on Nantucket Julianne Busa, Fuss & O'Neill
	Lunch TBD	
1:30 - 2:30	Rain Check Light House Gallery Moderator: Marlene Krajewski, CT DEEP Long Island Garden Rewards & Stormwater Runoff Reduction Sarah Healy & Livia Graham, NEIW PCC How to Partner with Residents to Ensure Stormwater Success! Derek Adams & Kate Hinckley, Town of Franklin Volunteering for Water Quality: Community Rain Gardens in Action Josh Balk, Iowa Department of Natural Resources	Model Mayhem Fenwick Moderator: Richard Friesner, NEIW PCC INSPIRED - Ideas for Nonpoint Source Projects: Information, Resources, and Examples! Padmini Das & Judy Rondeau, MassDEP Using E.J. and Climate Change Vulnerability Index (CCVI) Tools to Incorporate Climate Resilience into an Urban Watershed Based Plan David Murphy & Victoria Vetre, Resilient Land And Water Optimizing Management Practices to Meet Loading Targets for the Long Island Sound Basin Under Variable Climate Naomi Detenbeck, US EPA



*Agenda is subject to change

2:30 - 3:00

Break | *Riverside/Gardner*

3:00
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4:30

Panel Discussion
Light House Gallery
Moderator: Marlene Krajewski, CT DEEP

Urban Watershed Initiative: Community Engagement to Restore the Mill River Watershed

Marlene Krajewski, CT DEEP

Collaboration, Innovation & Implementation in the Mill River Watershed

Nicole Davis, Save the Sound & Kevin Dahms, Biohabitats & Stephen White, Town of Hamden & Ron Walters, South Central Regional Water Authority

Tracking & Accounting Collaborative Discussion
Fenwick
Moderator: James Plummer, NEIWPC

During this workshop, hear about tracking and accounting activities from throughout the region. Participants will discuss solutions to the challenges of the ever-expanding responsibility of data collection and management to achieve a vision of efficiency and regional consistency.

5:00
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6:30

Networking & Poster Session | *Pergola & Choo-Choo Lounge*

- Maggie Chase, Ferguson Water Works | **Pretreatment: The Key to Thriving Green Stormwater Infrastructure**
- Helen Golimowski, Devereux Consulting | **Integrating Sediment and Stormwater Plan Submittal, Review, and Inspections**
- Ernest Neafsey, LG Sonic US | **Heavy Metals Monitoring and Ultrasonic Algae Control - A Pathway to Regulatory Discharge Compliance**
- Kate Sjoberg & Derek Adams, Town of Franklin | **Meetings, Forums and Mailers, Oh My! Learn How Franklin MA was Able to Create a Stormwater Utility Through Patience, Time and Talk**
- Max Rome, Charles River Watershed Association | **Innovations in Municipal Stormwater Regulations**
- Diane Mas & Erik Mas, Fuss & O'Neill, Inc./Harvard Extension School | **Comparative Life Cycle Assessment of Stormwater Green Infrastructure Retrofit Designs**
- Sara Morrison & Elizabeth Kirmmse, Fuss & O'Neill | **Providence Trees & Infrastructure**
- Nate Pacheco, VHB | **RIDOT's Stormwater Program: A Web of Multiple Pieces, Carefully Strung Together**
- Jasmine James, Ramboll | **Integrated Watershed Action Plans: New York's Ecosystem-Based Approach to Great Lakes Restoration & Protection**
- Kelly Siry, VHB | **The Complicated Answer to Flooding - Comparing Two Case Studies**
- Alexander Drift & Gary Robbins, University of CT Department of Natural Resources and the Environment & Meredith Metcalf, Eastern State University Department of Environmental Earth Sciences | **Soil and Groundwater Arsenic Contamination from Historic Pesticide Use on Orchards in Connecticut**



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Breakfast | Riverside/Gardner

9:00
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10:00

Panel & Discussion
Light House Gallery

Three Community Approaches to Successful Public and Private Partnerships to Improve Resilience and Reduce Nonpoint Source Pollution
William Guenther, Fuss & O’Neill & Emily Morse, City of Pawtucket & Gina Fuller, Southern Rhode Island Conservation District

Panel & Discussion
Fenwick

The Long Island Sound Coastal Watershed Network: Advancing Pollution Reduction through Innovative Cross-State Collaboration and Engagement
Holly Drinkuth, The Nature Conservancy & Maureen Dolan Murphy, Citizens Campaign for the Environment & Peter Linderoth, Save the Sound

10:00 - 10:15

Break | Riverside/Gardner

10:15
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11:15

The Toolbox
Light House Gallery
Moderator: Erik Bedan, CT DEEP

The MassBays Ecohealth Tracking Tool - A Regional Approach for Water Quality and Habitat Data Exploration and Explanation
Bob Hartzel, Comprehensive Environmental Inc. & Prassede Vella, MassBays National Estuary Partnership

An Online Tool to Assess the Health of Small Watersheds in Connecticut Using 1 Meter Land Cover Data
Chet Arnold, CT Center for Land Use & Education & Qian Lei-Parent, UConn CLEAR & Paul Stacey, Footprints in the Water LLC

Howdy Partner!
Fenwick
Moderator: Marlene Krajewski, CT DEEP

New York State DEC’s Partnerships with the Upper Susquehanna Coalition: Building Capacity through Local Coalitions for Nonpoint Source Implementations
Cassandra Davis, NYSDEC

Using Federal Funding to Create and Grow Innovative Partnerships in Water Quality and Climate Resilience
Marli Rupe, VTDEC

11:15 - 11:30

Break | Riverside/Gardner



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11:30 - 12:30	<p>O&M and BMP's <i>Light House Gallery</i> Moderator: Steve Winnett, EPA</p> <p>Operation and Maintenance - Back to the future of sustainable water resource management. James Houle, UNH Stormwater Center</p> <p>Nature-based Green Infrastructure Solutions for Managing Extreme Weather Events Christopher C. Obropta, Rutgers University</p>	<p>Funding Frenzy <i>Fenwick</i> Moderator: Maryann Dugan, NEIWPC</p> <p>Leveraging State Revolving Funds to Address New England's Stormwater Challenges Laura Collins & Chloe Shields, Environmental Finance Center</p> <p>Understanding and Accelerating Green Infrastructure Investment in Rhode Island Anthony Hebert, Rhode Island Infrastructure Bank & Kim Corinth, RIDEM & William Guenther, Fuss & O'Neill</p>
12:40 - 1:00	<p>Closing Session <i>Light House Gallery</i></p>	
2:30 - 4:30	<p>Not your typical hole-in-the-wall: a field trip to Hole-in-the-Wall Stormwater Classroom. <i>East Lyme, CT</i></p>	

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