



AGENDA



Your Water. Your Environment. Your Voice.

November 2, 2020

Day One Presentations

9:00 AM – 9:15 AM **Welcome and Introduction**
Jim Waltman, Executive Director, The Watershed Institute

9:15 AM – 10:15 AM **Keynote Speaker**
Ben Strauss, CEO and Chief Scientist, Climate Central

10:30 AM – 12 PM **NJ Protecting Against Climate Threats (PACT) Rules**
Sean Moriarty, Chief Advisor for Regulatory Affairs to Commissioner McCabe, NJ Department of Environmental Protection

November 3, 2020

Go Vote!

No Presentations (Election Day)

November 4, 2020

Day Two Presentations

12 PM – 12:50 PM **Election Aftermath Session**
Ed Potosnak, Executive Director, New Jersey League of Conservation Voters

1:00 PM – 2:15 PM **Sustainability in environmental management: Moving beyond climate resiliency**
Dr. Emile De Vito, Manager of Science and Stewardship, New Jersey Conservation Foundation
Elliot Ruga, Policy Director, NJ Highlands Coalition

Wynnie-Fred Victor Hinds, Executive Director, Stepping Stones Resources

1:00 PM – 2:15 PM

Climate Safe Neighborhoods: Advancing Equitable Resilience Strategies

John Evangelista, Director of Operations, Groundwork Elizabeth
Jackie Park Albaum, Director of Urban Agriculture, Groundwork Elizabeth

2:30 PM – 4:00 PM

Helping Environmental Organizations Prioritize and Normalize Racial Justice

Lisa Wolff, Executive Director of Friends, Hopewell Valley Open Space
Lee M. Clark, Environmental Justice Policy Manager, New Jersey League of Conservation Voters
Olivia Le Warn, Engagement Coordinator, Coalition for the Delaware River Watershed, NJ Audubon
Bainy Suri, Executive Director, New Jersey Environmental Lobby

2:30 PM – 4:00 PM

Gadgets, Gizmos, and Good Science

Michelle DiBlasio, Watershed Restoration Coordinator, The Nature Conservancy

November 5, 2020

Day Three Presentations

2:30 PM – 4:00 PM

Changing the Subject

Eric Eckl, Founder and owner of Water Words that Work, LLC

2:30 PM – 4:00 PM

Bridging the gap between what we know and what we do: strategies for better communication about green infrastructure

Katja Luxem, Ph.D. Candidate in Geosciences and Graduate Student Environmental Policy Fellow, Princeton University
Sophie Glovier, Municipal Policy Specialist, The Watershed Institute

- 9:00 AM – 10:15 AM** **Protection of Soil Resources on NJ’s Preserved Farmland**
Susan E. Payne, PP, AICP, Executive Director, State Agriculture Development Committee (SADC)
Jeff Everett, Deputy Executive Director, SADC
- 9:00 AM – 10:15 AM** **Connecting to our coasts: linking sea-level rise to the efficacy of green infrastructure**
Harrison Watson, Ph.D. student in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology at Princeton University
- 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM** **Green Infrastructure, Model Rule, and Enhanced Ordinance Presentation**
Michael Pisauro, Policy Director, The Watershed Institute
Sophie Glovier, Municipal Policy Specialist, The Watershed Institute
- 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM** **A Holistic Ecological Engineering Approach for Enhancing Community Flood Resilience**
Dr. Zeyuan Qiu, Professor of Environmental Science and Policy in Department of Chemistry and Environmental Science at CSLA with a joint appointment in School of Management at NJIT