

7TH ANNUAL NJ WATERSHED CONFERENCE

Regional Collaboration for our Watersheds

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9:15 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

Welcome

[Jim Waltman](#)

Executive Director, The Watershed Institute

9:30 a.m. - 10:05 a.m.

Keynote

[Dan Van Abs, Ph.D., FAICP, PP](#)

Professor of Professional Practice for Water,
Society & Environment, Rutgers University,
School of Environmental and Biological
Sciences - Department of Human Ecology



10:20 a.m. - 11:35 a.m.

NJ Water Policy

CEUs Available: 1.4 CLE credits

[The Honorable Bob Smith](#)

NJ State Senator of the 17th Legislative District

[Shawn LaTourette](#)

Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Environmental
Protection

11:35 a.m. - 12:40 p.m.

Networking Lunch

Afternoon Session 1

12:50 p.m. - 2:05 p.m.

Four concurrent panel presentations

Federal, Regional and State Perspectives on Watershed Planning, Protection and Enhancement

CEUs Available:

1.4 CLE credits
1.25 P.E. credits
1.25 credits for CFMs
Potential 1.25 APA/AICP CM

Anika Andrews

Director, Division of Watershed Protection and Restoration, NJ Department of Environmental Protection

Richard (Rick) Balla

Supervisor, Watershed Management Branch, Water Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 2

Steve Tambini

Executive Director, Delaware River Basin Commission

MS4 Multi-Municipal Partnership Discussions

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APA/AICP CM*

Beth Uhler

Pennsylvania Director, Center for Watershed Protection

Drew Shaw, AICP

Environmental Planning Section Manager, Montgomery County Planning Commission

Gail Farmer

Executive Director, Wissahickon Trails

Jamie Anderson

Coordinator, Eastern Delaware County Stormwater Collaborative

Nicholas R. Johnson, PE

Johnson Environmental Engineering & Wyomissing Creek Watershed Stormwater Coalition

Addressing Non-Point Source Pollution: An Update

Donna Somboonlakana

Environmental Engineer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Michael Flood

Watershed Management Specialist, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 2

Robert Schuster

Watershed Coordinator, Office of the Assistant Commissioner, NJ Department of Environmental Protection

Working Regionally: Lessons Learned from the Highlands and Pinelands

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Benjamin L. Spinelli

Executive Director, New Jersey Highlands Water Protection & Planning Committee

Julia M. Somers

Executive Director, NJ Highlands Coalition

Jaclyn Rhoads, Ph.D.

Assistant Executive Director, Pinelands Preservation Alliance

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Afternoon Session 2

2:25 p.m. - 3:35 p.m.

Four concurrent panel presentations

WMPs and WIPs: How Watershed Management Plans Can Inform Watershed Improvement Plans

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1.25 credits for CFMs

Gabe Mahon, PE

Bureau Chief, Bureau of NJPDES Stormwater Permitting and Water Quality Management, Division of Watershed Protection and Restoration, New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection

Jim Cosgrove, PE

Principal, One Water Consulting LLC.

Michael L. Pisauro, Jr., Esq

Policy Director, The Watershed Institute

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Engaging the Community is More than a Public Hearing

Dana Patterson

Director of Marketing & Communications, Princeton Hydro

Kendra McKoy

Community Engagement Manager, The Watershed Institute

Lee Clark, MABC

Program Manager, New Jersey Future

Lucia Middleton

Community Water Advocate, The Watershed Institute

Engaging Students in Regional Study of Watersheds

Davis Bush

Coordinator for StreamWatch Schools, The Watershed Institute

Jeff Hoagland

Education Director, The Watershed Institute

Lauren Madden, Ph.D.

Professor of Elementary Science Education Coordinator, Environmental Sustainability Education Minor, The College of New Jersey

Roberta Howard Hunter, Ph.D.

Education Program Manager, NJ Audubon

Watershed Planning through GIS Tools

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Dave Arscott, Ph.D.

President and Executive Director, Stroud Water Research Center

Kevin Pretti

GIS Specialist, Office of Environmental and Public Health Analysis, NJ Department of Environmental Protection

Robert Schuster

Watershed Coordinator, Office of the Assistant Commissioner, NJ Department of Environmental Protection

Richard G. Lathrop, Jr. Ph.D.

Johnson Family Chair in Water Resources and Watershed Ecology, Rutgers University

Afternoon Session 3

3:45 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Four concurrent panel presentations

Watershed Planning at Multiple Scales

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Angela Knowles, AICP, PP
Professional Planner

Carlos Rodrigues, FAICP, PP
Principal, Design Solutions for a Crowded Planet LLC.

Donna Rendeiro
Executive Director, Office of Planning Advocacy, NJ Department of State

Thomas G. Dallessio, AICP, PP, CPM, FRSA
Executive Director, Musconetcong Watershed Association

NJ DEP Resiliency

Speakers from NJDEP to be announced

Regional Conservation Partnerships: A Flexible Model for Watershed Protection

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Andrew B. Szwak, AICP
Mid-Atlantic Program Manager, Land Trust Alliance

Tricia Aspinwall
Land Conservation Manager, The Nature Conservancy

Valuable Ecosystem Services Associated with Watershed Management that Everyone Should Care About

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Amy McNamara, EIT
Project Engineer, Princeton Hydro

Fred S. Lubnow, Ph.D.
Senior Director of Ecological Services, Princeton Hydro

Jake Dittes, PE
Water Resources Engineer, Princeton Hydro

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