

Introducing Green Infrastructure for Coastal Resilience

Save The Bay, Providence, RI | May 25, 2017, 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM

Workshop Objectives:

- Recognize green infrastructure terms and concepts that contribute to community resilience
- Understand the ecological, economic, and societal benefits of green infrastructure
- Understand the wide variety of contexts and scales of green infrastructure approaches
- Identify existing planning processes suitable for integrating green infrastructure, stakeholder engagement techniques, and potential funding opportunities
- Identify local green infrastructure activities and experts with additional information

AGENDA

- 8:30 a.m. Sign-in & Refreshments**
- 9:00** Welcome & Workshop Objectives
- 9:20** Green Infrastructure Concepts & Principles
John Rozum, NOAA Office for Coastal Management
- 9:55** Local Landscape Conservation: Sea Level Affecting Marshes Model (SLAMM) Project
Caitlin Chaffee, RI Coastal Resources Management Council
- 10:30 Break**
- 10:45** The Practice of Green Infrastructure | *John Rozum*
- 11:15** Living Shorelines Academy: A New Tool for Outreach, Collaboration, & Decision-making
Suzanne Giles Simon, Restore America's Estuaries
- 11:30** The Practice of Green Infrastructure – *continued (activity)*
- Noon Lunch**
- 1:00** The Practice of Green Infrastructure – *continued (activity debrief)*
- 1:15** Coastal Adaptation Projects in RI: Strategies to Adapt to Sea Level Rise
Wenley Ferguson, Save The Bay
- 1:45** Community/Site Scale Projects: A Tour of Green Infrastructure in RI (with a stop in Newport!)
Pam Rubinoff, URI Coastal Resource Center/RI Sea Grant | Scott Wheeler, City of Newport
- 2:15 Break**
- 2:30** Implementing Green Infrastructure | *John Rozum*
- 3:05** Panel: Local Plans, Regulations, & Policies Supporting Green Infrastructure
Moderator: Jennifer West, Narragansett Bay Research Reserve
Speakers: Ed Tanner, Town of Bristol: Updating local policies to encourage green infrastructure | Phil Hervey, Town of Barrington: Long-range planning & zoning: Zion Bible Campus Redevelopment | Kate Michaud, Town of Warren | Doing more with less: collaborating to face the challenges of the future
- 3:50** Wrap-up & Evaluations
- 4:30** Adjourn/Optional Field Trip



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