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New England District

Regulatory Outreach Event for Rhode Island

March 2, 2021
9 a.m. – 1 p.m.



Public Outreach Purpose: To provide updates to the public regarding regulatory agency programs to promote transparency.

Agenda:

09:00-09:10 Call to Order by Moderator

Beth Gosselin, Chief, Public Affairs, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District (USACE)

Opening Remarks

Tammy Turley, Regulatory Chief, USACE
Mel Cote, Surface Water Branch Chief, EPA Region 1

09:10-10:20 Navigable Waters Protection Rule (NWPR)

Overview: Erica Sachs Lambert, Biologist, Wetlands Protection, EPA Region 1
Paul Minkin, Senior Wetland Scientist, USACE
Implementation in RI: Alicia Wilson, Permits & Enforcement Branch (CT & RI), USACE

10:20-10:50 Rhode Island Inland Wetlands

Chuck Horbert, Deputy Administrator, Groundwater & Freshwater Wetlands Protection, RIDEM

10:50-11:20 Q & A session

Moderator: Mike Wierbonics, Acting Chief, Permits & Enforcement Branch (CT & RI), USACE
EPA: Erica Sachs Lambert, Biologist, Wetlands Protection
USACE: Paul Minkin, Senior Wetland Scientist
Alicia Wilson, Permits & Enforcement Branch (CT & RI)
NRCS: Jim Turenne, Soil Scientist, NRCS Rhode Island
RIDEM: Chuck Horbert, Deputy Administrator, Groundwater & Freshwater Wetlands Protection
CRMC: Dan Goulet, Marine Infrastructure Coordinator
Leah Feldman, Coastal Policy Analyst

11:20-11:30 Break

11:30-12:00 401 Water Quality Certification Rule Overview

Overview: Rachel Croy, Life Scientist, Wetlands Protection, EPA Region 1
RI WQC: Chuck Horbert, Deputy Administrator, Groundwater & Freshwater Wetlands Protection, RIDEM

12:00-12:30 401 Water Quality Certification Rule Q & A

Moderator: Jackie LeClair, Wetlands Protection Section Chief, EPA Region 1
EPA: Rachel Croy, Life Scientist, Wetlands Protection, EPA Region 1
Erin Flannery-Keith, Attorney, Office of Regional Counsel, EPA Region 1
RIDEM: Chuck Horbert, Deputy Administrator, Groundwater & Freshwater Wetlands Protection

12:30-1:00 General USACE & EPA Updates and Q & A

Tammy Turley, Regulatory Chief, USACE
Jackie LeClair, Wetlands Protection Section Chief, EPA Region 1

Notes: 1) Times are approximate; 2) See some of the presentations will be located at:
<https://www.nae.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory/Outreach-Events>