

NY-NJ Harbor & Estuary Program Science and Action Conference Agenda

November 16, 2018
US Customs House
Bowling Green, New York City

9:00: Registration, Breakfast, and Networking

9:45: Welcome and Introduction to the Action Agenda

Robert Pirani, Director NY-NJ HEP

10:00: Moving Forward on Our Goals for Shared Waters

*Peter Lopez, Administrator, USEPA Region 2
Thomas D. Asbery, Commander, NY District, USACE
Basil Seggos, Commissioner, NYS DEC (invited)
Catherine McCabe, Commissioner, NJ DEP
Moderator – Christopher Daggett, Chair, NY-NJ HEP Policy Committee*

11:15: Introduction to the State of the Estuary Report

Isabelle Stinnette, Restoration Manager, NY-NJ HEP

11:30: State of the Estuary Panel Discussion

*Eric Sanderson (moderator), Chief Ecologist, Wildlife Conservation Society
Brett Branco, Professor, Brooklyn College
Thomas Grothues, Professor, Rutgers University
Jim Lodge, Senior Scientist, Hudson River Foundation
Erika Svendsen, Research Social Scientist, US Forest Service*

12:30: Introduction to the Environmental Monitoring Plan

Rosana Da Silva, Water Quality Manager, NY-NJ HEP

12:45: Lunch

1:45: Research and Action focused panels and workshops: Session 1. (Chose one)

- ❖ Microplastics Panel
- ❖ Citizen Science Workshop
- ❖ Superfund Sites and Community Stewardship Panel

3:00: Research and Action focused panels and workshops: Session 2. (Chose one)

- ❖ Habitat Quality/Biodiversity Monitoring Workshop
- ❖ Climate Change Panel
- ❖ Pathogens/CSO Notifications Workshop

4:00: Conference Concludes with Networking Reception