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