



Barnegat Bay Educators Help Show Your Involvement with Governor Christie's Action Plan for Barnegat Bay



In December 2010, Governor Chris Christie unveiled a comprehensive Plan of Action to address the ecological health of Barnegat Bay. This plan fulfills one of the Governor's top environmental priorities and puts into action a 10-Point Plan to clean up the Bay.

DEP recognizes that environmental education experiences, stewardship programs and public outreach strategies designed for all ages and audiences can effectively address better ways for people to landscape their homes, fertilize their yards, restore their soil, maintain their septic systems, and operate their boats. These actions can have a positive impact on the Bay's water quality and marine and estuarine habitat and can positively affect the economy, tourism, and overall quality of life for the residents and visitors of Barnegat Bay.

Action No. 8: Educate the Public - DEP will develop a strategy that leverages the media, environmental advocates, and the Barnegat Bay community to educate the public on the impacts of their actions.

In response to Action No. 8, DEP is pursuing several DEP-led outreach, program and media-based public education strategies that directly support some of the other actions in the action plan. One of them includes development of the ***Barnegat Bay Education in Action*** e-directory, which will link to many of the Barnegat Bay Partnership's resources and DEP education programs that are active in the Bay.

DEP would like to feature information about your programs that directly support one or more of the actions in the 10-Point Action Plan. Can you help? Please submit the following information to Tanya.Oznowich@dep.state.nj.us

- Name of program, description of program (100 words or less);
- Program goals and outcomes and the actions (in Bay's 10-Point Action Plan) they address;
- Sponsor/organization and Web site; and
- Contact information for the program

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