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NJ Water Monitoring Council

Measuring What Counts for Clean & Plentiful Water

JANUARY 25, 2023, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

MEETING AGENDA

Virtual TEAMS Meeting

- **10:00 Welcome** – Jenna Krug (DEP/DWMSP, NJWMC Coordinator)
- **10:00 - 10:30 Council Business, Member Updates & Upcoming/Recent Conferences, Symposiums and Workshops** – Co-chairs Bob Schuster (DEP/DWMSP) & Heather Heckathorn (USGS NJWSC)
 - **Approval of Minutes from September 28, 2022 Meeting**
 - **Next Council Meeting: May 24, 2023 (virtual or hybrid TBD)**
 - **Session Topic Recommendations:**
 - Aquatic Invasives in conjunction with hands on workshop (September; Heather D. and Emily)
 - Remote sensing applications in water quality monitoring (*Roop*): Accessing, processing and applying satellite and fly-over data: Open-source tools, Applications completed, Ongoing research, Potential Research
 - *Other suggestions? Email ideas to jenna.krug@dep.nj.gov*
 - **Council Business Announcements**
 - Remembering Council Member & Colleague Eric Vowinkel
 - Retirements – Bruce Friedman, Division Director, NJDEP DWMSPC
 - Welcome new members – Swarna Muthukrishnan, Clean Ocean Action
 - **Council Member Updates**
 - **Recent and Upcoming Conferences, Symposiums and Workshops:**
 - (R & U) **Northeast Aquatic Plant Management Society Plant Camp**, Sept 13-15, 2022, Cold Spring, NY (\$150); <https://www.neapms.org/neapms-plant-camp>; **2023 Camp** will be Sept 12-14, Groton, CT
 - (R) **Barnegat Bay Partnership State of the Bay Conference**, Free, **September 29th** 9-12p at Ocean Cnty College
 - (R) **2022 New Jersey Invasive Species Conference**, FoHVOS NJ Invasive Species Strike Team, October 5, 2022 at Duke Farms, \$100, Registration required. <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2022-new-jersey-invasive-species-conference-tickets-403453950627>
 - (R) **11th US Symposium on Harmful Algae**, October 23-28, 2022, Albany, NY – <https://hab.who.edu/save-the-date-11th-u-s-symposium-on-harmful-algae-oct-23-28-2022/>
 - (R) **NALMS 42nd International Symposium**, Nov 14-17, 2022, Minneapolis, MN; *Abstracts deadline 9/2*
 - (R) **MAC-AFS Annual Meeting**, Asbury Park, Nov 15-16, 2022, <https://mid-atlantic.fisheries.org/2022-annual-meeting/>, Abstract submission deadline October 14.
 - (R) **Northeast Aquatic Plant Management Society Conference**, January 10-12 in Cape Cod, MA
 - (U) **North American Lake Management Society Symposium**, October 22-26, 2023, Erie, PA
 - (U) **PDE Delaware Estuary Science & Environmental Summit 2023**, Jan 30 – Feb 1, Atlantic City, NJ - <https://delawareestuary.org/delaware-estuary-science-and-environmental-summit/>; *Abstracts deadline 9/16*
 - (U) **13th National Monitoring Conference**, hosted by National Water Quality Monitoring Council, EPA, USGS, NOAA, and NALMS. April 24-28, 2023, Virginia Beach, VA. Themes, proposed sessions & abstract submittal found here <https://www.nalms.org/2023nmc>. Abstracts due **Sept. 30th**.
 - (U) **Northeast Aquatic Biologists Conference (NAB)**, February 15-17, Plymouth, MA
 - (U) **Association of Mid-Atlantic Aquatic Biologists Annual Meeting (AMAAB)**, March 28-30, Berkeley Springs, WV
 - **Others?** – Email relevant conferences, trainings, workshops, events to jenna.krug@dep.nj.gov for sharing
- **10:30 - 10:40 NJWMC AIS Decontamination Protocols Workgroup Update** – Heather Desko, NJWSA

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- **10:40 - 11:00 Presentation – Carol Lynes, USEPA Monitoring & Assessment – *Developing an Umbrella QAPP***
- **11:00 - 11:15 Presentation – Bob Schuster, NJDEP BMW – *Sharing Sampling Metadata***
- **11:15 - 12:15 Training – WQX**
 - **Adam Griggs, USEPA – *Using the Water Quality Exchange (WQX) to Upload and Share Data***
 - **Mike Kusmiesz, NJDEP BMW – *NJDEP's Data Management with WQX***
- **12:15-12:45 LUNCH BREAK**
- **12:45 – 13:45 Session Topic: Offshore Wind Energy**
 - **Colleen Brust, NJDEP Shellfisheries – *Overview of Offshore Wind Energy and Efforts in New Jersey***
 - **Renee Reilly, NJDEP DSR – *New Jersey Offshore Wind Research and Monitoring Initiative, Principles and Objectives, and Status of Research Priorities***
- **13:45-14:00 Group Discussion & Adjournment**
 - ***Council Business Reminders and Wrap-Up***