



The Sustainable Raritan River Summit

May 15, 2009, 9:00-5:00

Raritan River Conference Center

The Heldrich Building, 30 Livingston Avenue

New Brunswick, NJ 08901

8:00: Registration and Breakfast

9:00: Welcome and Opening Remarks

Phil Furmanski, Executive Vice President, Academic Affairs, Rutgers

Mike Greenberg, Associate Dean, Bloustein

The Honorable James Florio, former Governor of New Jersey

Henry Daaleman, President, the Mushett Family Foundation

Judy Shaw, Project Director, NCNBR, Bloustein

George Pavlou, Acting Regional Administrator, EPA Region II

9:45: Environmental Quality: Stormwater, Water Quality and Site Remediation

Chris Obropta, Rutgers Cooperative Extension, SEBS

Robert Spiegel, Edison Wetlands Association

John Sacco, Chief, NJDEP Office of Natural Resource Damages

The Honorable Jun Choi, Mayor Edison, New Jersey

Rick Kropp, NJ District Chief, US Geological Survey

Ken Klipstein, Director of the Watershed Protection Program, NJ Water Supply Authority

Moderator: Beth Ravit, Executive Director, Rutgers Environmental Research Clinic, SEBS

11:00 Break

11:10: Preservation, Restoration, Public Access and Economic Benefits of Restoration

Dr. Steven Handel, Rutgers Department of Evolution, Ecology & Natural Resources

Bill Schultz, the Raritan Riverkeeper

John Watson, Jr., Deputy Commissioner, NJDEP

Margaret O’Gorman, Executive Director, Conserve Wildlife Foundation

Dr. Kevin Lyons, Director of Purchasing, Rutgers University

Jerry Zaro, Chief, NJ Office of Economic Growth

Moderator: Henry Mayer, Executive Director, NCNBR, Bloustein

12:15 Luncheon with the *Virtual Raritan Tour*, Edison Wetlands Association

The Honorable John McCormac, Mayor of Woodbridge, New Jersey

The Honorable Frank Lautenberg, United States Senator



1:45 Sustainability & Regional Planning: the Action Agenda

- Mark Mauriello, Acting Commissioner, NJDEP
- Deb Mans, Executive Director, NY/NJ Baykeeper
- Peter Kasabach, Executive Director, NJ Future
- Ben Spinelli, Director, NJ Office of Smart Growth
- The Honorable Wilda Diaz, Mayor Perth Amboy
- Ray Zabihach, Morris County Planner

Moderator: Karen Lowrie, NCNBR, Bloustein

2:45 World Cafe Roundtables

Build the agenda! Three dynamic rounds of discussions to set the action agenda – and sign on to “issue teams” to create implementation strategies that work!

3:45 Break

3:50: Financing for a Sustainable Future

- Martin McHugh, Special Assistant, Compliance & Enforcement, NJDEP
- Carl Alderson, Regional Biologist, NOAA
- Jim Waltman, Executive Director, Stony Brook-Millstone Watershed Association
- Tom Gilbert, Regional Director of Conservation Finance, Trust for Public Land
- Valerie Montecalvo, President, Bayshore Recycling
- Dennis Hart, Executive Director, NJEIT

Moderator: Michael Catania, President, Conservation Resources

4:50 Closing Session

- Review of World Cafe findings and assignment of Action Teams
 - Discuss key goals, missing data, policies, enforcement, legislation and role of Rutgers students
- Moderator: Judy Shaw, Project Director*

Henry Daaleman, President, the Mushett Family Foundation

5:00-7:00 Reception at the Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning & Public Policy

33 Livingston Avenue, across from the Raritan River Conference Center

Featuring the Raritones (aka the incomparable Queens Chorale)

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The Edison Wetlands Association	Trust for Public Land	Rutgers Institute of Marine and Coastal Sciences
The New Jersey Audubon Society	NJ Department of Environmental Protection	NJ Water Resources Research Institute
Lawrence Brook Watershed Partnership	Somerset County	Upper Raritan Watershed Association
New Jersey Water Supply Authority	Middlesex County	South Branch Watershed Association
New York/New Jersey Baykeeper	Union County	Conserve Wildlife Foundation
Raritan Riverkeeper	Regional Planning Association	United States Geological Survey