



Why Wetlands?

Wetlands provide a myriad of benefits to Delaware's citizens. They provide habitat for wildlife, reduce flooding by absorbing excess water, clean our water by breaking down chemicals from pesticides and fertilizers, and provide recreational and education opportunities. One acre of wetlands can hold up to 330,000 gallons for water to a depth of one foot. More wetlands equals less flooding and loss of property.

Delaware's Wetlands

Over 30% of Delaware is covered in wetlands. About a 1/3 of that is tidal, while freshwater wetlands make up the remainder. Currently, state law only protects tidal wetlands, leaving over 30,000 acres of wetlands unprotected.

For more information on Delaware's wetlands please visit:

<http://www.dnrec.delaware.gov/Admin/DelawareWetlands/Pages/default.aspx>

Learn more at “Healthy Wetlands, Healthy You” Workshops

The Delaware Nature Society is hosting a series of workshops about Freshwater Wetlands; what they are, why they are important to protect, and what you can do to support this effort.

“The Wealth of Wetlands”

**Thursday, January 7, 2010
6:00-7:00pm**

At the **DuPont Environmental Education Center**
featuring presentations by:

Partnership for the Delaware Estuary’s Danielle Kreeger, Rebecca Rothweiler of Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, and Ginger North of Delaware Nature Society

Located on the Wilmington Riverfront in the Peterson Wildlife Refuge
For directions go to http://www.delawarenaturesociety.org/dns_sites.html

Free Admission. Refreshments served.

RSVP by phone 302-239-2334 ext.100 or by email ginger@delawarenaturesociety.org

AND

**Thursday, January 14, 2010
6:00-7:00pm**

At the **University’s Elbert N. and Ann V. Carvel Research and Environmental Center**
featuring presentations by:

Center for Inland Bays’s Chris Bason, Rebecca Rothweiler of Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, and Kurt Anderson of Ducks Unlimited

16483 County Seat Highway, Georgetown, DE

Free Admission. Refreshments served.

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“Savings Wetlands, One Tadpole at a Time”

Thursday, February 4, 2010

6:00-7:00pm

At the DuPont Environmental Education Center

featuring presentations by:

Bernie Marczyk of Ducks Unlimited and Brenna Goggin of Delaware Nature Society

Located on the Wilmington Riverfront in the Peterson Wildlife Refuge

For directions go to http://www.delawarenaturesociety.org/dns_sites.html

Free Admission. Refreshments served.

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Thursday, February 18, 2010

6:00-7:00pm

At the University’s Elbert N. and Ann V. Carvel Research and Environmental Center

featuring presentations by:

Bernie Marczyk of Ducks Unlimited and Brenna Goggin of Delaware Nature Society

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