

THE FORUM FOR THE DELAWARE RIVER WATERSHED

COALITION FOR THE DELAWARE RIVER WATERSHED

OCTOBER 28-29, 2013
ACADEMY OF NATURAL SCIENCES
PHILADELPHIA, PA









A river is more than an amenity—it is a treasure that offers a necessity of life that must be rationed among those who have the power over it.

— (Oliver Wendell Holmes, U.S. Supreme Court Justice, Speaking About the Delaware River in 1931)

Only those people that have directly experienced the wetlands that line the shore . . . can appreciate their mystic qualities. The beauty of rising mists at dusk, the ebb and flow of the tides, the merging of fresh and salt waters. . .

— (Delaware Governor's Task Force on Marine and Coastal Affairs, "Delaware: Wetlands 1972")

ACCELERATING ACTION

PROGRAM

Monday, October 28









8:00 AM

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WELCOME BREAKFAST

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LOCATION: NORTH AMERICAN HALL

9:00-10:15 AM

PLENARY: CHARTING A WATERSHED-WIDE COURSE

HOST: Kim Beidler, Coalition for the Delaware River Watershed

The vision for the Forum for the Delaware River Watershed was developed by a group of key stakeholders to provide a framework for discussion at the conference. Our goal is simple: to bring together the powerful work underway in the basin, and help create a way for groups to realize their goals. This session will give participants an overview of why we're gathered, a briefing on the sessions to come and identify paths for moving forward more efficiently and collaboratively.

WELCOME REMARKS: George W. Gephart, Jr., President & CEO

Academy of Natural Sciences

Speakers: Laura Sparks, Chief Philanthropy Officer

William Penn Foundation

Grant La Rouche, Regional Representative

National Wildlife Federation

LOCATION: AUDITORIUM

Monday, October 28

10:30 AM—NOON

FACILITATED DISCUSSIONS: SESSION ONE

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Headwaters LLC on behalf of NFWF

Matt Ehrhart, Director of Watershed Restoration

Stroud Water Research Center

SPEAKERS: Jennifer Reed-Harry, Assistant Vice President

PennAg Industries Association

"The Producer and Industry Perspective: Environmental

Opportunities and Challenges for Agriculture"

LOCATION: DARWIN ROOM

#2 FORESTS AND DRINKING WATER: MAKING THE CONNECTION

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FACILITATORS: Peter Howell, Executive Vice President

Open Space Institute

Al Todd, Executive Director Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay

LOCATION: 3RD FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM



10:30 am—Noon



#3 URBAN/SUBURBAN LANDSCAPES

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FACILITATORS: Amanda Bassow, Director of Eastern Partnerships

National Fish & Wildlife Foundation

Dan Nees, Senior Research Associate

Environmental Finance Center - University of Maryland

SPEAKERS: Charlotte Katzenmoyer, Director of Public Works

City of Lancaster, PA

"Cost-Effectiveness"

LOCATION: BIRD CLASSROOM

#4 UPSTREAM/DOWNSTREAM LANDSCAPES

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FACILITATORS: Clare Billett, Program Officer for Watershed Protection

William Penn Foundation

SPEAKERS: Su Fanok, Senior Scientist

The Nature Conservancy, Pennsylvania Chapter

Eric Olsen, DE River and Bay Whole System Project Director

The Nature Conservancy, New Jersey Chapter

LOCATION: LIBRARY





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Environmental Management Center

Brandywine Conservancy

Bob Allen, Director of Conservation Programs The Nature Conservancy, New Jersey Chapter

Bern Sweeney, Ph.D., Director **SPEAKERS:**

Stroud Water Research Center

Ellen Creveling, Director, Freshwater Conservation

The Nature Conservancy, NJ Chapter

LOCATION: DINOSAUR CLASSROOM

#6 WATER: TRIBUTARIES, RIVER, BAY

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Janet Bowers, Executive Director FACILITATORS:

Chester County Water Resources Authority

SPEAKERS: Jessica Rittler Sanchez, Ph.D., River Basin Planner

Delaware River Basin Committee

"Basin-wide Perspective – Stressors, Linkages, Progress, and Lessons Learned from Basin-Wide Planning and Implementation for Water Quality and

Quantity Restoration and Protection."

LOCATION: **A**UDITORIUM







12:15-1:45 PM

LUNCH

Host: Joy Bergey

Citizens for Pennsylvania's Future (PennFuture)

KEYNOTE: Larry Schweiger

President & CEO, National Wildlife Federation

LOCATION: MOORE COLLEGE OF ART & DESIGN

1916 RACE ST, PHILADELPHIA, PA 19103

2:00-3:30 PM

FACILITATED DISCUSSIONS: SESSION TWO

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Headwaters LLC on behalf of NFWF

Matt Ehrhart, Director of Watershed Restoration

Stroud Water Research Center

Speakers: Kelly Shenk, Agriculture Advisor, Cheseapeake Bay Program

US Environmental Protection Agency, Region III

"From the Federal Agency Perspective: Environmental Regula-

tions, Approaches, and Opportunities for Agriculture."

LOCATION: DARWIN ROOM





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National Fish & Wildlife Foundation

Dan Nees, Senior Research Associate

Environmental Finance Center - University of Maryland

Speakers: Brent McCloskey, Research Assistant

Environmental Finance Center

"Finance"

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Partnership for the Delaware Estuary

Stephanie Pendergrass-Dalke, Project Director

Pinchot Institute for Conservation

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Environmental Management Center

Brandywine Conservancy

Bob Allen, Director of Conservation ProgramsThe Nature Conservancy, New Jersey Chapter

Speakers: Beth Styler-Barry, Executive Director

Musconetcong Watershed Association

Ann Hutchinson, AICP

Senior Director, Municipal Conservation Services

Natural Lands Trust

LOCATION: DINOSAUR CLASSROOM



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Chester County Water Resources Authority

SPEAKERS: Martha Corrozi Narvaez, Associate Policy Scientist

Water Resources Agency, University of Delaware

"Local Perspective – Outcomes from Collaborative Planning and Implementation by Communities, Stakeholders and Governments for Inter-Jurisdictional Water Quality Improvement."

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Stroud Water Research Center

Speakers: Christian Strohmaier, District Manager

Chester County (PA) Conservation District

"From the Conservation District and Field Perspective: Conservation and Boots-on-the-Ground, Getting Results"

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SPEAKERS: Greg Hoffmann, P.E., Program Director, Practices

Center for Watershed Protection

"Regulatory Context"

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SPEAKERS: Chris Crockett, Deputy Commissioner

Philadelphia Water Department

Emily Weidner, Natural Resources Specialists State & Private Forestry, U.S. Forest Service

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Speakers: Eileen Swan, Policy Manager

New Jersey Conservation Foundation

John Goodall, Western Area Manager, Land Stewardship

Brandywine Conservancy

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Chester County Water Resources Authority

SPEAKERS: Tony Fernandes, P.E., Manager, Environmental Engineering

Aqua Pennsylvania

"Water Supplier Perspective – Source Watershed Management and Protection for Sustaining Safe and

Reliable Public Water Supplies."

LOCATION: AUDITORIUM

5:30-7:30 PM

RECEPTION

HOST: WILLIAM PENN FOUNDATION

Join your fellow participants for a reception to celebrate all of the excellent work to protect and restore the Delaware. Complimentary light fare and drink will be provided. Dinosaurs do not bite unless taunted.

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HOST: Kim Beidler, Coalition for the Delaware River Watershed

NORTH AMERICAN HALL

The morning keynote will provide an inspirational look at the greening of the watershed's largest urban area. We will also recap breakout groups from day one, discuss the six day-two focal areas, and give you your charge for the day.

Speakers: John A. Fry, President

Drexel University

Michael DiBerardinis, Commissioner

City of Philadelphia Department of Parks & Recreation

"Building Collaborations and Connecting Citizens to advance a Green Philadelphia"

Grant La Rouche, Regional Representative

National Wildlife Federation

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William Penn Foundation

Roland Wall, Director of the Center for Environmental Policy

Academy of Natural Sciences of Drexel University

Speakers: Andrea Welker, Ph.D., P.E.

Professor, Civil and Environmental Engineering

Villanova University

Erik Silldorff, Aquatic BiologistDelaware River Basin Commission

"Relating Different Scales of Monitoring"

LOCATION: DINOSAUR CLASSROOM



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Stroud Water Research Center

Dan Van Abs, Ph.D., PP/AICP, Associate Research Professor

Department of Human Ecology, Rutgers University

SPEAKERS: Carol Collier, Executive Director

Delaware River Basin Commission

LOCATION: LIBRARY



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Stroud Water Research Center

Speakers: Lamonte Garber, Pennsylvania Agriculture Program Manager

Chesapeake Bay Foundation

"Agricultural Landscape Restoration"

LOCATION: BIRD CLASSROOM











10-:30-Noon

#4 THE ROLE OF PROTECTION IN ENSURING HEALTHY WATERSHEDS

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#5 CONSTITUENCY BUILDING:

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Delaware Highlands Conservancy

Andrew Johnson, Senior Program Officer, Watershed Protection

William Penn Foundation

Speakers: Karen Young, Director

Fairmount Water Works Interpretative Center

Laura Moran, Co-founder

B-Trads: Teaching Artist Alliance

"Engaging Youth – it's more than Sponge Bob Square Pants"

LOCATION: DARWIN ROOM

#6 The Future Basin – Watershed-Wide Perspectives

This session will tackle critical questions such as how do we move beyond tactics that pluck the low hanging fruit? Can we protect the integrity of the whole by focusing on its component parts? What can we learn from past initiatives in the Basin and what steps do we take to catalyze more integrated efforts to achieve impact at greater scales?

FACILITATORS: Ginny Kreitler, Senior Advisor

National Audubon Society

SPEAKERS: Frank M. Piorko, Director, Div. of Watershed Stewardship

DE Dep't of Natural Resources & Environmental Control

Jane McGonigle, Advisory Council Institute for the Future (via video)

LOCATION: AUDITORIUM



NOON-1:30 PM

LUNCH

Host: Ginger North

Delaware Nature Society

KEYNOTE: Gerald Kauffman

University of Delaware

Keynote: "The Delaware River Redux"

LOCATION: MOORE COLLEGE OF ART & DESIGN

1916 RACE ST, PHILADELPHIA, PA 19103

1:40-3:10 PM

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Roland Wall, Director of the Center for Environmental Policy

Academy of Natural Sciences of Drexel University

SPEAKERS: Barry Evans, Ph.D., Senior Research Associate

Institutes of Energy & the Environment, Penn State University

Michael Bullard, Science Coordinator Green Valleys Watershed Association

"Modeling as Planning Tool"

LOCATION: DINOSAUR CLASSROOM





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Dan Van Abs, Ph.D., PP/AICP, Associate Research Professor

Department of Human Ecology, Rutgers University

Speakers: David Hess, Director, Policy & Communications

Holston & Crisci; former Secretary, PA Department of

Environmental Protection

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SPEAKERS: Melinda Daniels, Ph.D., Associate Research Scientist

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"Channel & Hydraulic Alterations and Floodplain Restoration"

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William Penn Foundation

Speakers: Laura Chamberlin, Delaware Bay Program Coordinator

Manomet Center for Conservation Sciences

"Tigers, and Lions and Bears, Oh My"

LOCATION: DARWIN ROOM





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National Audubon Society

SPEAKERS: Susan Kilham, Ph.D., Director, Aquatic Ecology Laboratory

Drexel University

Jennifer Adkins, Executive Director Partnership for the Delaware Estuary

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Academy of Natural Sciences of Drexel University

SPEAKERS: Robert Cheetham, President

Azavea

Jerry Mead, Ph.D., Assistant Scientist and Section Leader

Academy of Natural Sciences

"Database/Portal Development"

LOCATION: **DINOSAUR CLASSROOM**





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U.S. Geological Survey

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Meliora Design

"Stormwater and Green Infrastructure"

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Hilary Harp Falk, Regional Executive Director

National Wildlife Federation

"Connecting people to water where they connect with nature"

LOCATION: DARWIN ROOM





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#6 THE FUTURE BASIN – WATERSHED-WIDE PERSPECTIVES

This session addresses the implications of climate change to the Delaware River Basin and to our work to protect the region's land and water resources. How will climate change alter conditions in the watershed, how do we measure success in a changing context, how should we adjust our goals and objectives for resource management and conservation and how do we engage communities and other partners in climate adaptation efforts?

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Speakers: Carol Collier, Executive Director

Delaware River Basin Commission

Eric Olsen, DE River and Bay Whole System Project Director

The Nature Conservancy, New Jersey Chapter

LOCATION: AUDITORIUM

5:00

CONFERENCE CONCLUDES

Thank you to all participants for your work to accelerate action watershed-wide both at this forum and in your ongoing work. The Coalition for the Delaware Watershed will hold a virtual wrap-up session in the coming weeks to share the presentations and discussions from the Forum, and discuss next steps to turn conversation into action.



ACCELERATING ACTION

SPEAKERS

Day Two Plenary Keynote

Michael DiBerardinis was appointed Commissioner of the Department of Parks and Recreation and Special Advisor to the Mayor on the Free Library in April 2009 by Mayor Michael Nutter. In this position, Mr. DiBerardinis is responsible for the management of the 9,200 acre, sixty-three parks Fairmount Park system. Mr. DiBerardinis also oversees the operation of all City recreation facilities, programs and events. In addition to the oversight of the Parks and Recreation Department, Mr. DiBerardinis serves as special advisor to the Mayor on the Free Library of Philadelphia. Beginning in March 2003, Mr. DiBerardinis served as the Secretary of the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) under Governor Edward G. Rendell. In this state cabinet level position, Mr. DiBerardinis led and managed over 3,000 employees in 117 state parks, twenty-six forest districts and seven regional community offices. Prior to being named Secretary of DCNR, Mr. DiBerardinis served as Executive Director of the Campaign for Working Families, a program at the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia providing free filing assistance, support and counseling for eligible families to acquire public benefits and access to information and programs on financial literacy. Before working with the Campaign, Mr. DiBerardinis was the Vice President of Programs for the William Penn Foundation. In this position, he administered the \$60 million annual grantmaking programs in the Philadelphia region while developing and coordinating the Foundation's strategic planning process and evaluation system. Mr. DiBerardinis' long history of public administration includes serving as Recreation Commissioner to the city of Philadelphia from 1992 to 2000, where he organized the work of 600 staff persons and 160 facilities, including parks, ball fields, swimming pools and Veterans Stadium. During his tenure as Recreation Commissioner, Mr. DiBerardinis significantly expanded programs and services. Prior to his service in municipal government, he served as Chief of Staff for Congressman Thomas Foglietta from 1986 to 1991, where he supervised five Philadelphia offices, managed relationships with businesses, unions and constituent groups in the district, and crafted positions and policies on issues including housing, Central America and the conversion of the Philadelphia Naval Shipyard. Active in civic and community organizations, Mr. DiBerardinis serves on the Board of Directors of the New Kensington Community Development Corporation and the Wynnefield Overbrook Revitalization Corporation. Mr. DiBerardinis has a bachelor of arts in political science from St. Joseph's University. He lives in the Fishtown neighborhood of Philadelphia with his wife, Joan Reilly, and their children Gabriele, Justin, Maura, and Daniel. He enjoys fly-fishing, bird watching, gardening and learning the Italian language.

John Anderson Fry, appointed Drexel University's 14th president in 2010, has served higher education for his entire professional life. Through his roles as a consultant, board member, chief operating officer and chief executive, he has acquired a deep and broad understanding of the challenges of leading a major educational institution. In addition to serving as president of Drexel University, Fry serves as president of the Drexel University College of Medicine and Drexel e-Learning, the University's operating company for online education. Fry came to Drexel from Franklin & Marshall College, where he served as president from 2002 and was instrumental in the college's academic growth, campus and neighborhood development and improved finances. He raised the college's

national profile and brought a renewed confidence to the institution. Fry forged new partnerships with the city and neighbors, improving the surrounding business district and neighborhoods. From 1995 to 2002, Fry served as executive vice president of the University of Pennsylvania. He was a major force in developing and implementing Penn's "Agenda for Excellence," a comprehensive plan that guided strategic initiatives from 1996 to 2001. He also built a coalition of nonprofit, business, neighborhood and governmental organizations in support of a multi-pronged strategy to address the key challenges facing the University City neighborhood in West Philadelphia. In a relatively short period of time, residential property values rose significantly, the crime rate declined dramatically and hundreds of millions of dollars were invested in commercial infrastructure and economic development. Before joining Penn, Fry was a management consultant for the higher education and nonprofit sectors. He worked closely with some of the nation's premier colleges and universities, first with KPMG Peat Marwick and then with Coopers & Lybrand's National Higher Education Consulting Practice, where he was elected a partner in the firm and eventually became partner-in-charge of the national practice. Fry serves on the boards of Lafayette College, The Shipley School, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Milton Hershey School, the Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce, Select Greater Philadelphia, the Ben Franklin Technology Development Authority, the Philadelphia Schools Partnership and US Squash, which recently elected him chairman. He was the founding chairman of the University City District and served in that capacity for five years. He is also a director of Community Health Systems, Delaware Investments and the Hershey Trust. He previously served as chair of the NCAA Division III Presidents Council and on the Executive Committee of the NCAA. He was appointed by President George W. Bush to the Benjamin Franklin Tercentenary Commission, and co-chaired the transition team of Governor-Elect Edward Rendell of Pennsylvania. A native of Brooklyn, N.Y., Fry graduated from Lafayette College and earned a master's degree in business administration from the New York University Stern School of Business. Fry and his wife, Cara, an art historian, have three children: Mia, a recent graduate of Williams College; Nathaniel, a freshman at Connecticut College; and Phoebe, a seventh grader at The Shipley School.

George W. Gephart, Jr., serves as president and CEO of the Academy of Natural Sciences of Drexel University. The Academy is an historical force on Philadelphia's cultural boulevard and the oldest science research institution in the Americas. George brings close to 30 years of demonstrated business, finance and nonprofit leadership experience to the Academy. While leading the Academy, George continues a commitment to the Main Line Health System, an integrated health care system located in suburban Philadelphia, as chairman of its governing board. One of the region's largest employers, Main Line Health is a constituent member of the Jefferson Health System, on whose board George also serves. George has served in leadership positions on a number of regional environmental, health care and cultural governing boards, including the Curtis Institute of Music, the Nature Conservancy, Natural Lands Trust, The Concerto Soloists Chamber Orchestra (now the Chamber Orchestra of Philadelphia), and White Williams Scholars. He earned a bachelor's degree in English from Yale University in 1975 and a master's of business administration from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania in 1979. Following Wharton, George worked with Scudder Stevens & Clark in New York City from 1979 to 1984. He then spent 20 years with 1838 Investment Advisors of Philadelphia, where he oversaw the company's equity investment process, and managed the portfolios of major nonprofit organizations and other clients. He was a senior managing director of the firm. Outside of his professional career, George is an avid naturalist, birder



and outdoorsman with a keen interest in the environment and the natural sciences. His wife, Elizabeth Pooh Gephart, is also active in community service, and she is the author of Philadelphia with Children, a guidebook of children's attractions and events in the region, in which the Academy is named. The Gephart family also includes three grown daughters: Nolie, Nanny, and Libby. They have lived in Newtown Square since 1983.

Day Two Lunch Keynote

Gerald J. Kauffman is Director of the University of Delaware - Water Resources Agency, a program of the Institute for Public Administration in the College of Education and Public Policy. Jerry holds secondary faculty appointments in the University of Delaware Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering and School of Urban Affairs and Public Policy. Since 1999, Professor Kauffman has taught undergraduate courses in water resources engineering, hydraulics, and hydrology in the School of Engineering and graduate courses in watershed management and policy in the School of Urban Affairs and Public Policy. Since the drought of 1999, Jerry has served as Delaware's first Water Coordinator appointed by the Governor and General Assembly in accordance with the Delaware Water Supply Coordinating Council Act. Mr. Kauffman is responsible for providing water resources engineering and policy assistance to governments in Delaware, the Delaware Valley, and along the Atlantic Seaboard through the land - grant public service, education, and research role of the University of Delaware. Jerry and his colleagues actively form relationships to convene, collaborate, and communicate with governments and the public to protect and restore the watersheds and aguifers that flow through Delaware's borders. Jerry Kauffman holds a Master of Public Administration (MPA) degree with specialization in watershed policy from the University of Delaware, School of Urban Affairs and Public Policy and a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil and Environmental Engineering with a concentration in water resources from Rutgers University. He is also a Certified Public Manager III awarded by the Rutgers University Graduate Program in Public Administration. Gerald Kauffman is a registered Professional Engineer (PE) who has been licensed in four states (New Jersey 1988, Wisconsin and Illinois 1990, and Delaware 2000) and has over 25 years of experience in water resources and watershed management. He is a member of the American Geophysical Union (AGU), American Water Resources Association (AWRA), Delaware Academy of Sciences, and Universities Council on Water Resources (UCOWR). In 1986 Jerry was named employee of the year in the New Jersey DOT for work in the hydraulic research laboratory that prevented \$20 million in water damage to concrete highway pavements. In 1992, he was awarded a national floodplain fellowship grant from the Association of State Floodplain Managers for the design of a greenway in the Flint Creek watershed northwest of Chicago, Illinois. In 2002 Jerry received a University of Delaware Merit Award for leading a state - wide water policy initiative as advisor to the Delaware Water Supply Coordinating Council. In 2004, the Water Resources Association of the Delaware River Basin awarded Jerry the Samuel L. Baxter Memorial Award for contributions in water resources management as Delaware's first Water Coordinator. In 2009, Jerry received the Conservation Award from the Delaware Nature Society for commitment in protecting Delaware's water resources. Jerry lives in Newark, Delaware near the White Clay Creek National Wild and Scenic River and is married to DeEtte and has three children: Emily, Camille, and son Sean; now a sophomore at the University of Delaware.



Day One Lunch Keynote

Larry Schweiger is President and Chief Executive Officer of the National Wildlife Federation. He returned to the National Wildlife Federation in March 2004 with a commitment to confront the climate crisis and to protect wildlife for our children's future. National Wildlife Federation is one of America's most effective conservation organizations with 48 affiliates and more than four million members and supporters. Larry has made climate change a top Federation priority. Larry wrote a book on global warming and wildlife, released by Fulcrum Publishing in September 2009, Last Chance: Preserving Life on Earth, which was awarded First Prize for Non-Fiction by the Next Generation Indie Book Awards in 2011 and can be found at http://www.nwf.org/lastchance. Prior to joining NWF, Larry served for eight years as President and CEO of the Western Pennsylvania Conservancy where he pioneered watershed restoration and promoted ecological research, land conservation and community outreach. Previous to that, Larry was the Executive Secretary of the Joint House/ Senate Conservation Committee for the Pennsylvania General Assembly, Senior Vice President for Conservation Programs at National Wildlife Federation, and 1st Vice President of the Chesapeake Bay Foundation. Larry is an active community leader, having served on more than 40 governing boards, commissions and committees. He currently serves on the Boards of Directors of The Climate Reality Project; The Climate Reality Action Fund; BlueGreen Alliance; and National Wildlife Federation Action Fund. In 2011 Larry was awarded the Citizens for Pennsylvania's Future Visionary Award for his leadership in raising awareness about the critical impacts of climate change throughout the world and commitment to employing clean energy solutions. He was selected as Pennsylvania's Environmental Professional of the Year in 2002, Pittsburgher of the Year in 2000, and he received a Conservation Service Award from the Christian Environmental Association in September 1995. Larry is married to Clara Schweiger and has three adult daughters, two sons-in-law, and five grandsons.

Day One Plenary Keynote

Laura Sparks is the senior executive responsible for the William Penn Foundation's programmatic direction, overseeing WPF's \$80 million grant budget. In this role, she develops new opportunities to advance the Foundation's goals, manages systems for due diligence and quality underwriting, monitors the performance of WPF's grant portfolios, and leads ongoing improvement of grantmaking functions. Before joining the Foundation as Chief Philanthropy Officer, Sparks was Director of Development Finance Initiatives at Citi, based in New York City, developing programs to expand partnerships with local and national community development organizations, bringing new investment to low-wealth communities. In previous positions at Citi and with the Opportunity Finance Network, Sparks developed data-driven program management strategies, led implementation of strategic plans, and served as a liaison with financial regulators. She previously worked as an investment banker for corporate, municipal, and higher education clients at Goldman Sachs and UBS. She has been active in a range of nonprofit endeavors that advance the interests of low-income people and communities, working in leadership roles with Living Cities, the Asset Funders Network, the Low Income Investment Fund, the Asian Mosaic Fund Giving Circle, and Philadelphia V.I.P. Sparks received her J.D. from the University of Pennsylvania Law School, her M.B.A. from the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School, and her B.A. in Philosophy from Wellesley College. She resides in Philadelphia with her husband and their two children.



Breakout Session Cheat Sheet

DAY ONE			
	TURE: A WORKING LANDSCAPE — L	LOCATION: DARWIN ROOM	
All Sessions	Kristen Saacke Blunk	Headwaters LLC on behalf of NFWF	Facilitator
All Sessions	Matt Ehrhart	Stroud Water Research Center	Facilitator
Session 1	Jennifer Reed-Harry	PennAg Industries	Presenter
Session 2	Kelly Shenk	US EPA Region III	Presenter
Session 3	Christian Strohmaier	Chester County (PA) Conservation District	Presenter
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ROOM			
All Sessions	Peter Howell	Open Space Institute	Facilitator
All Sessions	Al Todd	Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay	Facilitator
#3 URBAN/	SUBURBAN LANDSCAPES — LOCATI	ON: BIRD CLASSROOM	
All Sessions	Amanda Bassow	National Fish and Wildlife Foundation	Facilitator
All Sessions	Dan Nees	Environmental Finance Center	Facilitator
Session 1	Charlotte Katzenmoyer	City of Lancaster, PA	Presenter
Session 2	Brent McCloskey	Environmental Finance Center	Presenter
Session 3	Greg Hoffmann, P.E.	Center for Watershed Protection	Presenter
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#4 UPSTREA	AM/DOWNSTREAM LANDSCAPES —	LOCATION: LIBRARY	
All Sessions	Clare Billett	William Penn Foundation	Facilitator
Session 1	Su Fanok	The Nature Conservancy, PA Chapter	Presenter
Session 1	Eric Olsen	The Nature Conservancy, NJ Chapter	Presenter
Session 2	Jennifer Adkins	Partnership for the Delaware Estuary	Presenter
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Session 2	Stephanie Pendergrass-Dalke	Pinchot Institute for Conservation	Presenter
Session 3	Chris Crockett	Philadelphia Water Department	Presenter
Session 3	Emily Weidner	State & Private Forestry, U.S. Forest Service	Presenter
#5 HYBRID I	LANDSCAPES — LOCATION: DINOSA	AUR CLASSROOM	
All Sessions	Sherri Evans-Stanton	Brandywine Conservancy	Facilitator
All Sessions	Bob Allen	The Nature Conservancy	Facilitator
Session 1	Bern Sweeney, Ph.D.	Stroud Water Research Center	Presenter
Session 1	Ellen Creveling	The Nature Conservancy	Presenter
Session 2	Ann Hutchinson, AICP	Natural Lands Trust	Presenter
Session 2	Beth Styler-Barry	Musconetcong Watershed Association	Presenter
Session 3	John Goodall	Brandywine Conservancy	Presenter
Session 3	Eileen Swan	New Jersey Conservation Foundation	Presenter
6 WATER:	TRIBUTARIES, RIVER, BAY — LOCAT	TION: AUDITORIUM	
All Sessions	Janet Bowers	Chester County Water Resources Authority	Facilitator
Session 1	Jessica Rittler Sanchez, Ph.D.	Delaware River Basin Commission	Presenter
Session 2	Martha Corrozi Narvaez	Water Resources Agency, University of Delaware	Presenter
Session 3	Tony Fernandes	Aqua Pennsylvania	Presenter



DAY TWO			
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All Sessions	Clare Billet	William Penn Foundation	Facilitator
All Sessions	Roland Wall	Academy of Natural Sciences	Facilitator
Session 1	Andrea Welker, Ph.D., P.E.	Villanova University	Presenter
Session 2	Erik Silldorff	Delaware River Basin Commission	Presenter
Session 2	Barry Evans, Ph.D.	Penn State University	Presenter
Session 2	Michael Bullard	Green Valleys Watershed Association	Presenter
Session 3	Jerry Mead, Ph.D.	Academy of Natural Sciences	Presenter
Session 3	Robert Cheetham	Azavea	Presenter
#2 RESEARCI	H FOR POLICY MAKING — LO	CATION: LIBRARY	
All Sessions	Bernard Sweeney, Ph.D.	Stroud Water Research Center	Facilitator
All Sessions	Daniel Van Abs, Ph.D., PP/AI	ICP Rutgers University	Facilitator
Session 1	Carol Collier	Delaware River Basin Commission	Presenter
Session 2	David Hess	Holston & Crisci; former Secretary of PA DEP	Presenter
Session 3	Richard Kropp, P.E.	U.S. Geological Survey	Presenter
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#3 RESTORA	TION — LOCATION: BIR	D CLASSROOM	
All Sessions	Amanda Bassow	National Fish and Wildlife Foundation	Facilitator
All Sessions	Matt Ehrhart	Stroud Water Research Center	Facilitator
Session 1	Lamonte Garber	Chesapeake Bay Foundation	Presenter
Session 2	Melinda Daniels	Stroud Water Research Center	Presenter
Session 3	Michele Adams	Meliora Design	Presenter
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#4 THE ROLE	OF PROTECTION IN ENSURIN	G HEALTHY WATERSHEDS — LOCATION: 3RD FLOOR CONF. R	ООМ
All Sessions	Peter Howell	Open Space Institute	Facilitator
All Sessions	Bill Rawlyk	Open Space Institute	Facilitator
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All Sessions	Sue Currier	Delaware Highlands Conservancy	Facilitator
All Sessions	Andrew Johnson	William Penn Foundation	Facilitator
Session 1 Session 1	Karen Young	Fairmount Water Works Interpretative Center	Presenter Presenter
Session 1	Laura Moran Laura Chamberlin	B-Trads: Teaching Artist Alliance Manomet Center for Conservation Sciences	
			Presenter Presenter
Session 2 Session 3	Sue Currier Patrick Starr	Delaware Highlands Conservancy Pennsylvania Environmental Council	Presenter
Session 3	Mark Zakutansky	Appalachian Mountain Club	Presenter
Session 3	Hilary Harp Falk	National Wildlife Federation	Presenter
#6 THE FUTUR	RE BASIN – WATERSHED-WIDE	PERSPECTIVES— LOCATION: AUDITORIUM	
All Sessions	Ginny Kreitler	National Audubon	Facilitator
Session 1	Frank M. Piorko	DE Dep't of Natural Resources & Environmental Control	Presenter
Session 1	Jane McGonigle	Institute for the Future (via video)	Presenter
		Drexel University	Presenter
Session 2	Susan Kilham, Ph.D.	Dicker Offiversity	
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Organizations in Delaware, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, and Maryland make up the community of the Coalition. Members range in size and reach from local groups on the frontlines of watershed protection to organizations that work on regional, state and national levels. Our common bond is a belief that we all are accountable for a healthy watershed.

The Coalition raises awareness of the watershed by bringing together the local, regional, state, and national partners working to protect clean water and restore the health of the river. We add value to our members through advocacy and policy support, communications assistance, and information sharing and networking. In return, the Coalition amplifies the diverse strengths of our members to create a powerful voice for the watershed.

Membership is free and open to non-governmental organizations committed to seeking improved Delaware River Basin policy and protection. We believe there's a new future for our watershed, and the work of our members will bring us there. We hope you'll join us.

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