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CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

NYC WATERSHED SCIENCE AND TECHNICAL CONFERENCE

“CLEAN WATER THROUGH PROTECTION AND PARTNERSHIP”

SEPTEMBER 9, 2020

Note: This conference has changed from in-person to a virtual format

This is a **CALL FOR ABSTRACTS** for the virtual **2020 NYC Watershed Science and Technical Conference**, to be held on September 9th via Zoom. The 2019 conference attracted hundreds of participants who engaged in a wide variety of technical presentations, panel discussions, and special-topic sessions on various aspects of watershed protection.

The New York City Watershed is the largest unfiltered water supply in the United States, serving 9 million New Yorkers with about 1.2 billion gallons of clean drinking water each day. It is also home to nearly 1 million inhabitants. This “living watershed” poses unique challenges to the scientists, engineers, managers, legislators, residents and stakeholders working and living within it. The conference brings scientists and technical experts together from across the nation, along with watershed stakeholders and the public, to technically inform, present research findings, share technical data, exchange ideas, and present leading edge information regarding the protection of the NYC system. In addition, it is a unique opportunity to interface with scientists working in similar arenas across the nation, providing an opportunity to transfer technology and increase coordination among the array of entities working with watershed protection science.

Submitted abstracts will be reviewed by the New York State Department of State’s Watershed Protection and Partnership Council Technical Program Committee for technical merit, interdisciplinary utility, as well as temporal and substantive relevance. Submissions accepted for presentation at the conference may be grouped into topic tracks. A ‘Compendium of Abstracts’ accepted for presentation will be published for distribution at the conference and to interested parties.

Abstract topics for the 2020 Annual Conference include, but are not limited to the following:

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| Stormwater Best Management Practices | Microbial Contaminants |
| Wastewater Best Management Practices | Turbidity Control |
| Stream Restoration and Management | Watershed Agriculture and Forestry |
| Environmental Assessments | Emerging Contaminants |
| Wetlands Restoration, Replication and Construction | Gas/oil drilling/hydrofracking |
| Shared Services and Intermunicipal Cooperation | Public/Private Partnerships |
| GIS Development and Implementation | Building Public Support |
| Public education and Outreach Programs | Point and Non-point source Pollution Prevention |
| Planning and Policy | Point and Non-point Source Remediation |
| TMDL’ s/ Nutrient Loading and Removal | Working with Local Government |
| Onsite Wastewater Treatment | Ecotourism and Recreational Opportunities |
| Watershed Land Use Planning | Water-Resource Assessment and Availability |
| Invasive Species | Energy Efficiency at Water Resource Utilities |

Submission requirements: Abstracts should be submitted electronically utilizing the Abstract Submission Form available on the NYWEA website at www.nywea.org. The deadline for submission of abstracts is extended until June 15th.

Other Conference Sponsors: New York City Department of Environmental Protection, Catskill Watershed Corporation, Watershed Agricultural Council, United States Geological Survey, New York State Department of Health.

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