

Planning for Community Climate Change Adaptation

October 28, 2010

8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Room 300, RI Department of Environmental Management
235 Promenade St., Providence, RI, 02908

AGENDA

8:30 a.m. Sign-In and Continental Breakfast

9:00 a.m. Welcome and Overview

Jennifer West, Coastal Training Program Coordinator, Narragansett Bay Research Reserve

9:15 a.m. Climate Change Impacts to Rhode Island and Supporting Science

Janet Freedman, Geologist, RI Coastal Resources Management Council

9:35 a.m. Observed and Future Impacts of Increased Rainfall and Flooding

Dave Vallee, Hydrologist-in-Charge, Northeast River Forecast Center, National Weather Service

10:05 a.m. Fundamental Concepts in Planning for Climate Change

Daniella Hirschfeld, Program Officer, Climate Programs Division, ICLEI-Local Governments for Sustainability

10:30 a.m. Break

10:45 a.m. Community Case Study: Groton, CT.

Michael J. Murphy, AICP, Director of Planning and Development, Town of Groton, CT

11:15 a.m. Community Engagement and Addressing Barriers to Adaptation

Daniella Hirschfeld, Program Officer, Climate Programs Division, ICLEI-Local Governments for Sustainability

11:30 a.m. Panel: Examples of local communities involved in adaptation planning.

- Dave Everett, Principal Planner, City of Providence, RI
- Anne Herbst, Conservation Administrator, Town of Hull, MA
- Rosalie Anders, Project Administrator, Environmental and Transportation Planning Division, City of Cambridge, MA

Moderator: Jared Rhodes, Chief, RI Statewide Planning Program

12:30 p.m. Lunch (provided)

- 1:15 p.m. Tools and Resources**
Daniella Hirschfeld, Program Officer, Climate Programs Division, ICLEI-
Local Governments for Sustainability
and
Pam Rubinoff, Coastal Management Extension Specialist, RI Sea Grant
- 2:00 p.m. Exercise: A Quick Assessment of Your Community**
Daniella Hirschfeld, Program Officer, Climate Programs Division, ICLEI-
Local Governments for Sustainability
- 2:20 p.m. Break**
- 2:35 p.m. Exercise, con't.**
- 3:15 p.m. Summary of RI's Climate Change Programs and Implications for
Local Planning Efforts**
Jim Boyd, Coastal Policy, Coastal Resources Management Council
- 3:45 p.m. Conclusion and Evaluations**
Jennifer West, Coastal Training Program Coordinator, Narragansett Bay
Research Reserve
- 4:00 p.m. Adjourn**