



## 2014 NH Department of Environmental Services' Biennial Watershed Manager's Roundtable Agenda

The Inn on Newfound Lake, Bristol, NH  
Thursday, Oct 9, 2014, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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- **8:30 – 9:00: Registration and Refreshments**
- **9:00 – 9:10: Introductions**
- **9:10 – 10:45: Case Studies: *Getting Results* – From the grantee perspective. (30 minutes each)**
  - Maintaining BMPs: *Ensuring Long Term Results* – Tracking the trials and tribulations of BMP maintenance and potential solutions. DES reports on common maintenance challenges faced by 319 grantees and the Acton Wakefield Watersheds Alliance's BMP maintenance program has implemented a successful inspection, schedule, and maintenance process.  

Speaker: Jeff Marcoux, Watershed Assistance Specialist, NH Dept. of Environmental Services  
Speaker: Sam Wilson, Program Manager & Technical Director, Acton Wakefield Watersheds Alliance
  - Managing Septic Systems: *From "Cess" to "Yes"* – Going from cesspools to rules and tools designed to assist home owners and protect the drinking water supply for Meredith. Includes the prioritization process, audience, inspections, Meredith ordinance, cost share, and drinking water connection.  

Speaker: Rick DeMark, Board Member, Lake Winnepesaukee Watershed Association
  - Watershed Restoration through Low Impact Development Retrofits in an Urban Environment: *Does it Work?* Does impervious disconnection result in improved water quality and hydrology? Preliminary results from Dover's Berry Brook project indicate that it may be possible after all.  

Speaker: James Houle, Program Manager, UNH Stormwater Center
- **10:45 – 11:00: Break**
- **11:00 – 12:00: *Program Sustainability Panel***: Whether your organization was already going strong before that 319 grant was awarded or you banded together to apply for a grant, a 319 grant is typically only a small part of a watershed organization's focus and funding. A panel of 319 grantees will give some insight on what else it takes to make it work both organizationally and financially.
  - Acton Wakefield Watersheds Alliance, Linda Schier, Executive Director: *Stability in the Watershed Organization World*. How to stay true to your mission with a broad base of funding strategies.
  - Newfound Lake Region Association, Boyd Smith, Director: *Organization Development for Sustainability*. How keeping your organization on track can help you communicate your message to funders.

- Great Bay Stewards, Peter Wellenberger, Executive Director: *One Big Race for the Money*. Funding the program with membership and a 5-K Race.
  - New Hampshire Rivers Council, Michele L. Tremblay (Principal, nature resource communications): *Size isn't Everything: Big Strategies for Small Organizations*. A buffet of ideas and solutions to energize and sustain you and your work.
- **12:00 – 1:00: Lunch**
  - **1:00 – 2:15: Roundtable**
    - Network Exchange: *Share Free or Die*. Constructive free for all. (3 minute time limit)
  - **2:15 – 2:30: Break**
  - **2:30 – 2:45: 319 Program and Funding**
    - Reporting Results: *The Joy of Reporting: What if Irma Rombauer had a 319 Grant?* You report, we report. Why do we report and what do we get out of it?  
Speaker: Eric Williams, NH DES
  - **2:45- 3:15: Special Project**
    - Nash Stream: *If a tree falls in Nash Stream and nobody is there to hear it, does it restore geomorphic attributes and aquatic habitat?* Tracking trout and timber throughout the Nash Stream watershed – a non-pollutant based BMP approach to restoration.  
Speaker: John Magee, Fish Habitat Biologist, NH Fish and Game Department
  - **3:15: Closing Remarks**

This event is hosted by the NH Department of Environmental Services' Watershed Assistance Section and the Newfound Lake Region Association with assistance from the Inn on Newfound Lake.