

URBAN WATERS

A Partnership for Restoring Urban Waters, Revitalizing Communities



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2016 Meeting Dates to be Announced Soon

Thank you for joining us in 2015 for quarterly Urban Waters Partnership meetings. We will announce the meeting schedule for 2016 next month.



Do you have suggestions for meeting topics, locations, dates/times? We'd like to hear it. Please contact [Natalie Johnson](#) with your input for the 2016 meeting schedule.

Invitation to Join Urban Waters Basecamp & the Urban Waters Learning Network

You are invited to join the Urban Waters Learning Network (UWLN). The UWLN is a peer-to-peer network of people and organizations that share practical on-the-ground experiences in order to improve urban waterways and revitalize the neighborhoods around them. UWLN exists mostly as a "virtual network" and uses Basecamp as an online platform to communicate and share resources across the membership. Once you create a login, you'll be a member of this community of 350+ urban water practitioners across the country- nonprofits; members of local, state and federal government; and academics. Plus, it's free! To get started, contact [Diana Toledo](#), Urban Waters Learning Network co-Coordinator.

EPA Webinar: Winter Operation & Maintenance for Green Infrastructure

EPA's Green Infrastructure program will host a webcast on Nov. 3, 2015 from 12-1:30 PM CST titled "Winter O&M for Green Infrastructure." Operations and maintenance (O&M) is critical to the long-term effectiveness and success of green infrastructure practices in any community. However, wet weather in colder climate communities often presents unique challenges to green infrastructure maintenance - from snow, sediment, and salt to storage and drainage. This webcast will feature two presentations that illustrate some of the realities and best

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practices of winter O&M and will build off of the information shared in EPA's 2014 O&M webinar. Featured speakers are Tom Ballesterio from the University of New Hampshire Stormwater Center, and Brooke Asleson from the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency.

[Webinar Info](#)



Learn More about Coastal Resiliency Planning

The Great Lakes Coastal Resilience Planning Guide shows how coastal communities are using science-based information to address coastal hazards such as flooding, shore erosion, and lake-level fluctuations. This new online resource connects people with the tools and data needed to consider natural hazards and climate change in local planning efforts.

The planning guide features the following resources:

- * Local stories - Learn what's happening in Great Lakes communities. Information ranges from news articles to outreach materials.
- * Case studies - Discover specific solutions and tested strategies communities are applying to land use and zoning concerns, habitat and environmental protection issues, and infrastructure planning needs.
- * Maps, Data, and Tools - Access geospatial data, tools, applications, and Web map services available in the region.
- * People and Organizations - Connect with others working to address coastal hazard and climate change impacts in the region.
- * Events and Funding - Identify events and funding sources related to coastal resilience and hazards.
- * Climate and Environment - Learn about the Great Lakes and its coastal hazards and climate.
- * Library - Uncover relevant publications that include legal and regulatory documents, best practices, ordinances, comprehensive plans, and more.

Great Lakes Coastal Resilience Planning Guide

www.greatlakesresilience.org

New EPA Tool to Support Community Interest in Green Infrastructure

EPA has released a new web-based tool that helps local officials and other community members consider the benefits and uses of green infrastructure. Green infrastructure relies on vegetation, soils, and natural processes to manage stormwater and create healthier urban environments. The Green Infrastructure Wizard, or GIWiz, responds to growing community interest in using green infrastructure as a means of addressing water quality and a range of other local goals. Using a self-guided format, users can find EPA tools and resources to learn the basics of green infrastructure and explore options for financing it; visualize and design rain gardens and permeable pavements, understand how other communities are using green infrastructure to revitalize neighborhoods, and develop public education and outreach campaigns. EPA invites

additional input on this version of the product.

[Green Infrastructure Wizard](#)

Grant Writing Help Reminder:

Considering applying for a grant and need a hand? The Urban Waters Federal Partners can help your group, organization, or agency prepare funding proposals. Contact [Natalie Johnson](#) for more information.