



Soak Up the Rain New England Webinar Series:

Accelerating Statewide Green Infrastructure Investment in Rhode Island

Wednesday, August 28th, 1:00 PM-2:30 PM EST

[Click Here to Register*](#)

This webinar will showcase the evolution of how green stormwater infrastructure projects are being funded and financed in Rhode Island. New and innovative programs at Rhode Island Infrastructure Bank and state agencies will be discussed. These programs are supporting and accelerating local green infrastructure investment. Presenters will describe their experiences in establishing creative funding and financing programs and how they are addressing implementation barriers. The presentation will focus on lessons learned in collaborating across state agencies, meeting regulatory compliance, and working with community stakeholders to implement projects and produce sustainable environmental results. The webinar will also explain how new programs are connecting to statewide initiatives and how green stormwater infrastructure is a positive force to increase climate resilience in local communities.

Presenters:

Shaun O'Rourke, Director, Stormwater and Resiliency, Rhode Island Infrastructure Bank

Michael Baer, Managing Director, Rhode Island Infrastructure Bank

Alicia J. Lehrer, Executive Director, Woonasquatucket River Watershed Council

***Registration site-**

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/836734246520034817>

For information on Soak Up the Rain and the webinar series-

<https://www.epa.gov/soakuptherain>

Who Should Attend:

Municipal decision makers/planners and Department of Public Works (DPW) staff, environmental organizations, practitioners, educators, and interested citizens - anyone who is considering a new project or looking to build on an existing program.

Webinar Series

We will be focusing on a range of innovative approaches to addressing stormwater in New England, presented by leaders from around the region.

- Hear about stormwater public outreach resources and programs;
- See who's soaking up the rain as we showcase green infrastructure projects and programs;
- Learn about the latest tools and resources from EPA and others for implementing and promoting green infrastructure; and
- Engage with others as we share information about successes, barriers, and lessons learned while implementing green infrastructure in New England communities.