



**EBC 10th Annual Ocean Resource Management Conference  
Permitting and Policy: Dredging Non-Federally-Funded Projects**

Friday, October 28, 2016  
Battelle | Norwell, Massachusetts

**AGENDA**

- 8:00 a.m.     **Welcome: Payson Whitney**, Chair, EBC Ocean and Coastal Resources Committee  
                  Vice President, ESS Group, Inc.
- Introduction: Jamy Buchanan Madeja, Esq.**, Program Co-Chair and Moderator  
                  Buchanan & Associates
- 8:20 a.m.     **Efficient and Effective Permitting of Dredging Projects – Pitfalls to Avoid**
- Jamy Buchanan Madeja, Esq., Buchanan & Associates
- 8:40 a.m.     **Overview of Chapter 91 and 401 Water Quality Certificate Permitting for Dredge Projects**
- Lealdon Langley, Director, Wetlands and Waterways Program  
          Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection
- 9:10 a.m.     **Overview of Coastal Zone Management Permitting for Dredge Projects**
- Robert Boeri, Project Review and Dredging Coordinator  
          Massachusetts Office of Coastal Zone Management
- 9:30 a.m.     **Overview of Federal Permitting Requirements for Dredge Projects**
- Norm Farris, Ecologist, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- 10:00 a.m.    **Networking Break**
- 10:30 a.m.    **Case Study – Non-Federal Small Harbor Dredge Project**
- Susan Nilson, P.E., President, CLE Engineering, Inc.
- 11:00 a.m.    **Panel Discussion**  
                  Panel Moderator: Jamy Madeja, Buchanan & Associates  
                  Panel members:
- Robert Boeri, MA Office of Coastal Zone Management
  - Norm Farris, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
  - Lealdon Langley, Mass DEP
  - Susan Nilson, CLE Engineering, Inc.
- 11:30 a.m.    **Adjourn**

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Ms. Lefkovitz is currently a Senior Research Scientist with Battelle Memorial Institute. Her background is in environmental chemistry with more than 25 years of experience in the design and management of chemical and biological evaluations of sediments and dredged materials and the fate and transport of organic and inorganic contaminants in the environment. Ms. Lefkovitz serves as the Program Manager for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) New England District environmental services contract held by Battelle. Ms. Lefkovitz has managed numerous sediment related projects testing dredged material for suitability determinations for offshore sediment disposal, preparing NEPA documents to support dredging related activities, characterizing pre and post dredged conditions to determine the effectiveness of dredging as a remedial option and is actively involved in studies investigating the use of passive samplers for monitoring organic contaminants in aquatic environments. Ms. Lefkovitz is active in the Boston Post of SAME and serves on the Oceans and Coastal Resources Committee of the EBC of New England.

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Jamy Buchanan Madeja is an environmental lawyer and government relations counsel at Buchanan & Associates, a Beacon Hill-Boston law office she established over 20 years ago, after serving as General Counsel for Environmental Affairs for Massachusetts Governor William F. Weld. Ms. Madeja specializes in Massachusetts waterfront law and represents many marinas and boatyards statewide, as well as developers, homeowner associations, advocacy groups and others. She also serves as Government Relations and Legal Counsel to the Massachusetts Marine Trades Association and represents marine industrial clients, as well. She testifies at the Massachusetts legislature frequently and teaches lawyers and non-lawyers on practical and academic aspects of law and government relations, and serves on a number of not-for-profit boards with interests in land use and waterfront matters. Before working in government, she was an attorney at Mintz Levin. Before becoming an attorney, she worked in public finance. She is a lifelong believer in the power of open water to rejuvenate the soul, hence her choice of practice area. She graduated from Yale College in 1983 and Boalt Hall School of Law in Berkeley, California in 1988.

## SPEAKERS

**Robert Boeri**, Project Review and Dredging Coordinator

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Bob Boeri is a graduate of the University of Massachusetts, Amherst. He has a degree in Fisheries Biology and started his professional career with the National Marine Fisheries Service as a Foreign Fisheries Observer, working on the foreign fishing fleet off of the east coast of the United States. He then went on to a 25 year career in environmental testing where he specialized in aquatic toxicity testing, serving in a variety of positions. He co-founded T.R. Wilbury Laboratories in Marblehead, a full service environmental testing lab. In 2006, Bob joined the Massachusetts Office of Coastal Zone Management as Dredging Coordinator, a position that he still holds. In 2007, he took on the additional responsibilities of Project Review Coordinator. In this position, Bob is responsible for project review

oversight for all projects proposed in the coastal zone of Massachusetts. He is also responsible for the review and issuance of federal consistency determinations for coastal projects.

**Norm Farris**, Ecologist

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Norm Farris is a member of the Policy and Technical Support Branch, USACE Regulatory Division. He oversees a number of programs associated with estimating environmental impact of marine development and navigation projects on coastal waters and habitats in His duties include evaluation of contaminated sediments and coordinating aquatic habitat mitigation efforts in New England. As Program Manager for the Dredging Compliance program, he coordinates disposal operations of contaminated sediments within the New England District.

Prior to working for The Army Corps of Engineers, Norm worked as an Ecologist for the National Park Service creating environmental assessment projects for Park Units in the Northeast Region and helped lead a major salt marsh restoration project on Cape Cod. He obtained his Masters in Marine Biology from the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth in 1991, after working as a Port Agent in New Bedford for NOAA. He then worked for NOAA in New Jersey, monitoring contamination levels at regional dump sites in New York Bight. Norm obtained his PhD in Biological Oceanography from the University of Rhode Island's Graduate School of Oceanography in 1996 before joining the Park Service fulltime and prior to his present work at the Corps.

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Lealdon Langley is the Director of the Wetlands and Waterways Program of the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection where he is responsible for the statewide implementation of the Wetlands Protection Act, the Public Waterfront Act, Section 401 of the Clean Waters Act and the Wetlands Conservancy Mapping Program. Lealdon has worked at DEP for over 30 years. Lealdon previously supervised the wastewater programs and the Water Management Program. Lealdon started his career in DEP's Southeast Region's Wetlands and Waterways Program.

Lealdon holds a B.A. in Biology and a M.A from the Center for Energy and Environmental Studies at Boston University where he studied environmental science and public policy.

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Susan earned a B.S. in Civil Engineering from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst and a M.S. Civil and Environmental Engineering from the University of Washington.