EBC Professional Development Program Series:
Chapter 91 for the Ascending Professional – An Advanced Introduction

Tuesday, March 20, 2018

Nutter McClennen & Fish LLP | Boston, MA

AGENDA

5:30 p.m. Registration and Networking

6:00 p.m. Welcome: Jessica Bardi, Esq., Program Co-Chair
Environmental, Land Use, and Government Relations Associate
Buchanan & Associates

Introduction & Workshop Overview
• Fiona Vardy, Program Co-Chair
  Staff Planner, Epsilon Associates, Inc.

6:15 p.m. An Overview of the Chapter 91 Program
• Ben Lynch, Program Chief, Waterways & Chapter 91
  MassDEP Water Resources Programs

6:30 p.m. Navigating Chapter 91 and the Waterways Regulations – A Legal Perspective
• Jamy B. Madeja, Esq., Environmental, Land Use & Government Relations Counsel
  Buchanan & Associates

6:45 p.m. Navigating Chapter 91 and the Waterways Regulations – A Consultant’s Perspective
• Daniel Padien, Senior Environmental Scientist, Chapter 91 Waterways Licensing
  VHB, Inc.

7:00 p.m. Open Discussion – Carley Przystac, Program Co-Chair
Water Resources Specialist, VHB, Inc.

7:30 p.m. Adjourn
**PROGRAM CO-CHAIRS**

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Jess is an Associate Attorney at Buchanan & Associates, where she practices environmental and land use law, with a focus on Chapter 91 and waterfront licensing, wetlands permitting, approvals under MEPA, and Army Corps permitting. She also has experience with Chapter 21E contaminated site issues, land use and property disputes, and government relations matters. Buchanan & Associates’ clients include marinas and boatyards, homeowners, developers, businesses, and municipalities.

Jess is a 2015 graduate of New England Law Boston, where she focused her studies on environmental and energy law, and held positions with the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs and McGregor & Legere, P.C. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in marine biology and environmental conservation from the University of New Hampshire.

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Carley is a Water Resource Specialist in VHB's Environmental practice. At VHB, she works with municipal, state, and private clients to study and design solutions for stormwater, river, and wetland-related challenges. She has provided technical support for several impaired waters projects, drainage modeling, FEMA flood mapping, and climate resiliency analyses.

Carley is an Engineer in Training, and is working toward professional certification. She holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Mount Holyoke College and a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Massachusetts. She is currently pursuing a Master of Science from Johns Hopkins University.

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Fiona is an Environmental Planner with Epsilon's Planning Group. She assists with the preparation of environmental regulatory documentation including Environmental Notification Forms (ENFs), Environmental Impact Reports (EIRs), and Project Notification Forms (PNFs) in compliance with Article 80 of the Boston Zoning Code as administered by the Boston Planning & Development Agency (BPDA), the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act (MEPA) and the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

Fiona holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Environmental Planning from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst.

**SPEAKERS**

**Ben Lynch**, Program Chief, Waterways & Chapter 91  
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Ben Lynch is the Program Chief of the Mass DEP Waterways Program. He has worked in the Program since 1995, and has been the Program Chief since 2003. He has graduate degrees in Landscape Architecture and Urban Design.

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Ms. Madeja, Esq., is a Massachusetts lawyer with over 25 years of special expertise in environmental permitting and land use matters, particularly “Chapter 91” and waterfront licensing, wetlands, contaminated real estate and legislative testimony on environmental and land use policy. She represents entities large and small, neighborhood groups, developers and municipalities, and many marinas and boatyards. Before founding Buchanan & Associates, a Beacon Hill-based law practice, Ms. Madeja represented numerous public and private entities as an associate at Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky & Popeo, P.C. She then represented the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as Governor Weld's General Counsel of the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs. Buchanan & Associates provides traditional legal services and government relations services. Buchanan & Associates hires consultants, technical experts and additional lawyers as needed, on a case-by-case basis, to assure clients receive the most well matched service for their needs. Ms. Madeja is a graduate of Yale College and Boalt Hall School of Law, U.C. Berkeley. She is a lifelong believer in the power of open spaces to soothe the soul, hence her choice of practice area.

**Daniel Padien, Senior Environmental Scientist, Chapter 91 Waterways Licensing**
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Daniel has over 23 years' experience working on all manner of public and private projects subject to M.G.L. Chapter 91 and the Massachusetts Waterways Regulations. These projects vary in size and complexity from individual overhead utility crossings of non-tidal rivers and streams, minor changes in use converting existing railroad infrastructure to multi-use paths to the complex regional assessments of the potential licensing needs for the South Coast Rail Project, including review over 40 crossings. In the private sector, Daniel lead the waterways licensing for the 75-acre Assembly Row Project in Somerville which included extensive cartographic and licensing research, negotiation of a Consolidated Written Determination and the issuance of authorizing the issuance of a 12 licenses, and counting. Daniel's specialty is detailed constraints analysis and identifying maximum project flexibility through creative application of the Waterways Regulations. He routinely interacts with DEP Waterways senior staff to facilitate project licensing.

**UPCOMING EBC PROGRAMS**

- March 28 – Ascending Professionals Introductory Program Series: Navigating MEPA
- March 29 – New Hampshire Workshop: Beer & PCBs: Introduction to PCB Remediation and Assessment
- April 4 – Ascending Professionals Program Planning Meeting
- April 4 – Ascending Professionals: The Five Biggest Mistakes Presenters Make
- April 11 – Business Development for the Ascending Professional: An Advanced Introduction
- April 13 – Innovative Financing for Climate Adaptation
- May 10 – Ascending Professionals Introductory Program Series: Communicating with Municipal Officials