EBC New Hampshire Update from
U.S. EPA Regional Administrator Alexandra Dunn
and
NH DES Commissioner Robert Scott

Reflecting on the Each Agency’s Five Most Critical Issues

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AGENDA

10:00 a.m. Welcome and Introduction
   • Robert Varney, Chair, EBC New Hampshire President, Normandeau Associates, Inc.

   Welcome to Sheehan Phinney
   • Lynn J. Preston, Chair, Environmental and Energy Practice Group

10:15 a.m. Update from New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services
   Robert Scott
   Commissioner
   NH Department of Environmental Services

10:45 p.m. Update from U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
   Alexandra Dapolito Dunn
   Regional Administrator
   U.S. EPA – Region One

11:15 a.m. Networking Break

11:45 a.m. Moderated Discussion
   Following the two formal presentations, there will be a moderated discussion with the speakers and a panel of industry leaders who will question the speakers on critical issues, policies and developments concerning and impacted by the NH DEP and the US EPA.


   Panel Members:
   • Thomas Burack, Senior Vice President, Sheehan Phinney
   • Charles A. Crocetti, Senior VP President, Sanborn Head & Associates
   • Muriel S. Robinette, Senior Consultant, GZA GeoEnvironmental, Inc.

12:30 p.m. Adjourn
Alexandra Dapolito Dunn serves as the Regional Administrator for EPA Region 1. Her responsibilities include overseeing the states of Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont and ten tribal nations.

Prior to joining EPA Region 1, Ms. Dunn served as executive director and general counsel for the Environmental Council of States (ECOS), a national nonprofit, nonpartisan organization committed to helping state agencies improve environmental outcomes for all Americans. Since 2014, Ms. Dunn has helped state governments improve water infrastructure, air pollution control, site cleanup, chemical management, and economic development. Prior to joining ECOS, Ms. Dunn served as executive director and general counsel for the Association of Clean Water Administrators.

Ms. Dunn has been published in the areas of the ethics of community advocacy, environmental justice, urban sustainability, water quality, cooperative federalism, and the Clean Water Act. She has taught on the subjects of environmental justice, and human rights and the environment as dean of Environmental Law Programs at the Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University. She has also taught at the Columbus School of Law, Catholic University of America, where she served as faculty adviser to the student Environmental Law Society. Ms. Dunn most recently taught environmental justice as an Adjunct Associate Professor of Law at the American University's Washington College of Law.

In 2015, Ms. Dunn was elected to the American College of Environmental Lawyers and served in leadership roles through the end of 2017. She also served through the end of 2017 on the executive committee and board of directors of the Environmental Law Institute. She has chaired the American Bar Association's (ABA) section of Environment, Energy, and Resources, its World Justice Task Force, and served on the ABA Presidential Force on Sustainable Development.

Ms. Dunn received a B.A. in political science from James Madison University followed by a J.D. from the Columbus School of Law, where she was elected editor-in-chief of the law review. She is a member of the bar in D.C., Maryland, and New York, and the U.S. Supreme Court.

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Robert R. Scott, was sworn in as NHDES commissioner on June 29, 2017. He previously served as commissioner of the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission since March 2012. Before that, Scott worked for NHDES for a total of 17 years in the Air Resources Division (ARD); the first eight, from 1995 to 2003, as a Mobile Source Program manager, compliance bureau administrator and deputy director, and then as the director of ARD from 2003 to 2012. During his time as director of the ARD, Scott served from 2005 to 2010 on a Governmental Advisory Committee to advise the Administrator of the US Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) on specific U.S. government policy issues related to the implementation of the North American Agreement on Environmental Cooperation with Mexico and Canada.

Scott started his career as an engineer in private industry, a position he held from 1990 to 1995, and as a munitions and aircraft maintenance officer in the US Air Force from 1986 to 1990. In 2016 he retired as a
cyberspace operations officer with the Air National Guard after 30 years of military service, having commanded three Air Force squadrons in his career. Scott has a Bachelor of Science degree in mechanical engineering from Lehigh University.

He currently serves on the Board of Directors of the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative Inc. (RGGI). As Public Utilities Commissioner he served on the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) and was a member of the Committee on Critical Infrastructure as well as the Committee on Energy Resources and the Environment. Additionally, Commissioner Scott co-chaired the New England Conference of Public Utilities Commissioners' (NECPUC) subcommittee on cyber security. In 2013, he was appointed as New England States Committee on Electricity (NESCOE) manager to represent New Hampshire on regional electricity matters. He also formerly served as co-chairman of the Northeast Energy Efficiency Partnerships (NEEP) Evaluation, Measurement and Verification Forum Steering Committee.

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Tom is a nationally recognized strategic leader in the fields of environmental, public health and energy regulation, as well as organizational management and governance. At the start of 2017, Tom returned to Sheehan Phinney after serving for over ten years as the Commissioner of the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services. His thirty years of experience working in all three branches of government as well as the private sector enable him to provide clients with an in-depth understanding of how the federal, state and local governments operate, and how the public and private sectors can constructively collaborate to solve problems and resolve disputes. He looks for simple and direct ways to address any situation or challenge. As a visionary and transformative leader and strategic project manager, Tom seeks to both prevent and solve problems by pursuing systemic, root-cause solutions and approaches because the best problem of all is one that never arises.

On the national level, Tom spearheaded creation of E-Enterprise for the Environment, a shared governance approach among the US Environmental Protection Agency, states and tribal governments to modernize and streamline the business of environmental protection and regulation in the United States. He served as the first state co-chair of the E-Enterprise Leadership Council, which provides strategic direction for the overall initiative and oversight of dozens of E-Enterprise projects. He now serves as an executive advisor and consultant to the initiative.

Tom has also been actively engaged in helping businesses and communities to become more sustainable, including by increasing their energy efficiency and use of renewable energy sources. He led the effort to develop the New Hampshire Climate Action Plan, played key leadership roles in the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative, and co-facilitated efforts to develop voluntary agreements among more eastern and mid-western states to address the challenge of ozone transport. He also served as Chairman of the NH Site Evaluation Committee, which oversees the siting and permitting of energy facilities in New Hampshire. He has worked tirelessly to support efforts to adequately fund water infrastructure needs, and helped create New Hampshire Lives on Water — a public-private partnership that is building public awareness and understanding of the need for good quality drinking water and wastewater systems and wise stewardship of the state's water resources. Tom also helped to develop the Northeast Ocean Plan, the first regional marine spatial plan in the nation. Within New Hampshire, he initiated and for eight years led a voluntary, informal group of some two dozen state agency commissioners in efforts to improve the operations of state government; consequently, he has substantial knowledge and understanding of many aspects of the Granite State's government.
Tom grew up in New Hampshire’s White Mountains, and loves to hike, ski and canoe. As a professional raconteur, he is known for calling moose and has regaled many an audience over the years with tales of the North Country. Tom is a Harry S. Truman Scholar, served as Law Clerk to the Honorable David H. Souter on the Supreme Court of New Hampshire, and as Legislative Assistant for Environmental Matters to U.S. Senator Gordon J. Humphrey (R-NH) in Washington, DC.

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Chip Crocetti is a Sr. Vice President and co-founder of Sanborn, Head & Associates, with over 25 years of experience in a broad range of hydrogeologic, environmental, and remedial projects, in over twenty states and internationally, including twelve Superfund sites. Prior to working in the environmental field, he worked in the petroleum and minerals industries. Chip’s particular expertise is in the application of geochemistry to hydrogeological and environmental issues. Recent areas of interest include: characterization and management of “urban fill” soils; assessment and control of impacts to groundwater due to blasting; the emerging contaminant 1,4-dioxane; and geologic and geochemical influences on the success of ground source heat pump systems. Chip earned his B.A. from Dartmouth College in Earth Sciences, and his Master’s and Doctorate from Harvard University in Geological Sciences.

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Muriel Robinette, over her more than 30 year career, has served in academic (Assistant Professor Geological Engineering), regulatory (Head of NHDES Hydrogeological Investigation Unit), business (owner of New England EnviroStrategies, Inc) and private consulting (Senior Consultant at GZA GeoEnvironmental, Inc.). She specializes in contaminated property forensics, remediation and cost allocation and liability apportionment. Her professional practice has spanned from coast to coast in the United States where she serves as a testifying expert on complex contaminated sites and sediment cases.

UPCOMING EBC PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

JULY 2018
July 13 – Ocean & Coastal Resources Program: Coastal Construction Case Studies
July 17 – PCB & Emerging Contaminants Program: Advanced PCB Management
July 20 – Solid Waste Management Program: Innovative Technologies

AUGUST 2018
August 9 – Annual Summer Garden Party
August 29 – New Hampshire Ascending Professionals Cornhole Tournament

SEPTEMBER 2018
September 12 – EBC / SAME Piscataqua Chapter – Annual Portsmouth Harbor Cruise