



EBC New Hampshire Leadership Webinar

New Hampshire DES Commissioner Robert Scott
and
U.S. EPA Regional Administrator Dennis Deziel

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AGENDA

9:00 a.m. **Welcome and Introduction**

- Robert Varney, Program Chair and Moderator
Chair, EBC New Hampshire Chapter
President, Normandeau Associates, Inc.

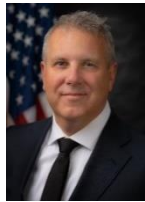
9:30 a.m. **Update from the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services**



Robert Scott

Commissioner
Department of Environmental Services
State of New Hampshire

10:00 a.m. **Update from U.S. EPA Region One**



Dennis Deziel

Regional Administrator
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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

10:30 a.m. **Moderated Discussion**

Panel Moderator: Charles A. Crocetti, PhD, PG, Vice Chair, EBC NH Chapter
Senior Vice President, Sanborn, Head & Associates, Inc.

Panel Members:

- Tom Burack, Esq., Shareholder, Sheehan Phinney Bass & Green PA
- Harrison Roakes, PE, Project Manager, Sanborn Head & Associates
- Sherrie Trefry, Director of Energy and Environmental Services, VHB

11:30 a.m. **Networking Opportunity – Breakout sessions**

12:00 p.m. **Adjourn**

PROGRAM CHAIR

Robert Varney, President
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Considered one of the most experienced and respected environmental leaders in North America, Bob Varney is a former Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) New England Regional Administrator, who currently is President of Normandeau Associates, a science-based environmental firm with 13 offices in

10 states. He was the longest-serving regional administrator and top environmental official in New England and is credited with instituting many innovative approaches and policy initiatives that have served as national models. Mr. Varney also was one of the nation's longest-serving state environmental commissioners, and he has been appointed by U.S. Presidents and Governors of both political parties.

Mr. Varney has chaired numerous national and regional groups such as the national organization of state environmental agency heads (Environmental Council of the States), State/EPA Superfund Policy Forum, Federal Ozone Transport Commission (OTC), Governmental Advisory Committee to the EPA Administrator on the NAFTA environmental side agreement, Gulf of Maine Council on the Marine Environment, New England Interstate Water Pollution Control Commission and New England Governors' Conference Environment Committee. He also was a member of EPA's Environmental Justice Advisory Council and served on the NH Board of Trustees for The Nature Conservancy (TNC). He currently chairs the NH Chapter of the Environmental Business Council of New England and the CEC Joint Public Advisory Committee (US, Mexico, Canada), an independent tri-national body which oversees environmental aspects of the new USMCA trade agreement and provides independent advice to the top environmental officials of the U.S., Canada and Mexico. Bob is the recipient of numerous environmental awards such as the EPA Lifetime Achievement Award, NE Water Works Association's John H. Chafee Award, Environmental Business Council of NE's Paul Keough Award, the Charles River Watershed Association's Anne Blackburn Award and the ECOS Founder's Award.

SPEAKERS

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Dennis Deziel was appointed to the position of Administrator for EPA's Region 1 office in Boston on September 3, 2019.

A New Hampshire native, Dennis has spent much of his life working in public service in the nation's capital and joins the agency having worked for over 20 years on energy and environment matters in the federal government. He most recently worked at Dow as the Director of Federal Government Affairs where he focused on environment, energy, and regulatory affairs issues.

Prior to entering private industry, he served as Deputy Assistant Secretary in the Office of Environmental Management at the U.S. Department of Energy from 2012 to 2014, where he led budget, policy, and planning development for the Nation's largest environmental cleanup program. He also managed chemical security issues at the U.S. Department of Homeland Security from 2004 to 2010, and prior to that, he served as a policy advisor for the Council for Environmental Quality from 2002 to 2004. Dennis began his career working at the EPA in the pesticides and chemicals program.

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Commissioner Robert R. Scott has served as the NHDES Commissioner since June 2017. Commissioner Scott previously worked for NHDES for 17 years in the Air Resources Division; as Director of the division from 2003 to 2012. Between 2012 and 2017, Bob served as Commissioner at the NH Public Utilities Commission.

Commissioner 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.

In addition to his duties as NHDES Commissioner, Bob serves as cybersecurity advisor for critical infrastructure to Governor Sununu. He also currently serves on the Board of Directors of the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative Inc. (RGGI) and as Vice Chair of the NH Site Evaluation Committee.

Over the course of his career, Commissioner Scott has worked closely with diverse stakeholders in addressing many of the major public health, environmental, and infrastructure challenges facing the State; such as, the extensive work the Department has done in the area of PFAS contamination, the implementation of the NH Drinking Water and Groundwater Trust Fund, and continuing work on program process improvements.

PANEL MODERATOR

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Chip Crocetti is a Sr. Vice President and co-founder of Sanborn, Head & Associates, with over 30 years of experience in a broad range of hydrogeologic, environmental, and remedial projects, across the US and internationally, including over a dozen Superfund sites.

Prior to working in the environmental field, he worked in the petroleum and minerals industries. Chip's expertise is in the application of geochemistry to hydrogeological and environmental issues. Key projects and issues that he is currently working on include: the emerging contaminants 1,4-dioxane and PFAS; historical and chemical forensic analysis of impacted urban waterway sediments; assessment and control of impacts to groundwater due to coal combustion residues (CCR); characterization and management of "urban fill" and mildly contaminated; and assessment and remediation of groundwater and DNAPL in fractured bedrock.

Chip earned his B.A. from Dartmouth College in Earth Sciences, and his Masters and Doctorate from Harvard University in Geological Sciences.

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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. In 2017, Tom returned to Sheehan Phinney after serving for over ten years as the Commissioner of the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services. Based on his thirty years of experience working in all three branches of government as well as the private sector, Tom counsels clients on complex environmental matters involving federal, state and local government regulatory programs, including Brownfields redevelopment projects, leads the development of scenario-based strategic plans, including climate change planning, for a broad range of organizations, and assists the public and private sectors in constructively collaborating to solve problems and resolve disputes.

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. He led the effort to develop the New Hampshire Climate Action Plan, played key leadership roles in the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative, and served as Chairman of the NH Site Evaluation Committee.

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. Tom serves on the Board of Directors of Clean Energy New Hampshire, and as co-chair of the Education Committee of the American College of Environmental Lawyers, an organization of leading environmental law practitioners into which he was inducted in 2017.

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Harrison is a Project Manager with Sanborn Head. He has a professional focus on site assessments and remediation issues, particularly contaminants of emerging concern, subsurface contaminant fate and transport, and statistical analysis of environmental data. He is experienced with PFAS investigations and has been involved with PFAS characterization and data analysis at over twenty-five PFAS-impacted sites. He holds a B.S. and M.S. in Environmental Engineering from the University of New Hampshire.

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Sherrie Trefry is a New Hampshire native and the Director of Energy and Environmental Services in VHB's Bedford office. She has more than 15 years of environmental consulting experience managing a diverse group of scientists and engineers that work on land development, transportation, and energy projects; as well as stormwater permit compliance efforts across the State. Sherrie specializes in environmental permitting in support of a wide range of energy projects for utility and private developer clients. She is skilled in regulatory consulting, environmental impact evaluation, land use planning, and wetland mitigation. Sherrie is a NH-Certified Soil Scientist, a member and former president of the NH Association of Natural Resource Scientists, a member and former president of the Society of Soil Scientists of Northern New England, and currently serves on the Clean Energy NH Board. She holds a

Bachelor of Science degree in Environmental Conservation and a Master of Science in Soil Science from the University of New Hampshire. Prior to starting her professional consulting career, Sherrie served as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Cameroon, Africa, where she worked with farmers on sustainable practices focused on preserving and increasing soil fertility.

UPCOMING EBC PROGRAMS

JULY 2020

July 17: New England State Energy Leadership Webinar

July 20: Climate Change & Air Committee Virtual Program Planning Meeting

July 20: Site Remediation & Redevelopment Committee Virtual Program Planning Meeting

July 22: Rhode Island Webinar – Office of Energy Resources and Public Utilities Commission

July 23: Water Resources Webinar – Impacts of Climate Change

July 24: Climate Change Webinar Series #6 – Cambridge Urban Forest

July 28: Site Remediation Webinar – Climate Resiliency and MCP Sites

July 31: New England Regional Climate Change Summit

Future EBC New Hampshire Chapter Webinars / Meetings

September 18: New Hampshire Webinar – PFAS Update

October 28: New Hampshire Webinar – Offshore Wind Update

November 4: New Hampshire Webinar - Industrial Stormwater General Permit

December 10: New Hampshire Chapter Program Planning Meeting