



EBC Water Resources Webinar
MassDEP Bureau of Water Resources Leadership Forum

Wednesday, September 30, 2020

AGENDA

- 9:00 a.m. **Welcome and Program Overview**
- Peter F. Durning, Chair, EBC Water Resources Committee
Program Co-Chair; Managing Partner, Mackie Shea Durning, PC
- 9:15 a.m. **Bureau of Water Resources - Overview and Initiatives**
- Kathleen Baskin, Assistant Commissioner, Bureau of Water Resources
Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection
- 9:35 a.m. **Bureau of Water Resources – Deputy Assistant Commissioner**
- Robert Brown, Deputy Assistant Commissioner, Bureau of Water Resources
Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection
- 9:40 a.m. **Division of Wetlands and Waterways**
- Stephanie Moura, Director, Division of Wetlands and Waterways
Bureau of Water Resources, MassDEP
- 10:00 a.m. **Networking Opportunity**
- 10:20 a.m. **Break**
- 10:30 a.m. **Drinking Water Program**
- Yvette DePeiza, Director, Drinking Water Program
Bureau of Water Resources, MassDEP
- 10:50 a.m. **Division of Watershed Management**
- Lealdon Langley, Director, Division of Watershed Management
Bureau of Water Resources, MassDEP
- 11:10 a.m. **Division of Municipal Services**
- Maria Pinaud, Director, Division of Municipal Services
Bureau of Water Resources, MassDEP

11:30 a.m. Moderated Discussion

Moderator: Blake Martin, Program Co-Chair; Senior Associate, Weston & Sampson

Panel Members:

- Kathleen Baskin, Assistant Commissioner
- Yvette DePeiza, Director, Drinking Water Program
- Lealdon Langley, Director, Division of Watershed Management
- Daniel Padien, Chief, Waterways Program
- Maria Pinaud, Director, Division of Municipal Services

12:00 p.m. Adjourn – Closing Remarks – Blake Martin

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Peter is the Managing Shareholder at Mackie Shea Durning PC, a boutique law firm focused on environmental and land use law and related litigation. Mackie Shea Durning PC represents a range of clients, including public water suppliers, private businesses, real estate developers, and is working on PFAS-related issues in a variety of settings, including real estate transactions, regulatory compliance, and cost recovery matters. Peter specializes in the areas of environmental litigation, enforcement defense, land use and permitting, with a specific focus on water and wetlands related matters.

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Blake is a Water Resources practice leader at Weston and Sampson, specializing in water resource studies. His background as a hydrogeologist includes contaminant transport studies, ground water supply development and remediation investigations for organic contaminants. He is a former chair of the EBC Water Resources committee and the New England Water Works Sustainability committee focusing on municipal infrastructure and source protection issues.

SPEAKERS

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Kathy is Assistant Commissioner for MassDEP's Bureau of Water Resources, overseeing the programs in Wastewater, Wetlands, Water Quality Certification, Drinking Water, Watershed Planning, Water Management, and State Revolving Funds. She has dedicated her career to water resource protection, splitting it between the public, private and non-profit sectors. Kathy previously worked as Director of Water Policy for the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, where she served for 11 years. She has worked on water resource issues as an advocate, for Charles River Watershed Association and as a consultant, most recently for Weston & Sampson. She completed her undergraduate education at Tufts University, where she also received a Master's degree in Environmental Engineering. In addition, she holds a Master's in Public Administration from the Kennedy School of Government.

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Bob serves as MassDEP's Deputy Assistant Commissioner for the Bureau of Water Resources. Bob has over 30 years of experience in environmental policy and regulatory development, permitting and enforcement across all media. Bob began his career in environmental law as an attorney with the Arizona Department of Water Resources before moving back east where he has since worked for the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection. As an attorney with the Office of General Counsel, Bob served as the Chief Regional Counsel for the Central Regional Office where he provided operational program support and Chief Bureau Counsel for the Bureau of Waste Site Cleanup where he helped create the privatized Waste Site Cleanup and Licensed Site Professional programs. Bob earned his J.D. and M.S.E.L. from Vermont Law School and B.A. in Sociology from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. Bob currently serves as co-chair of the Association of Clean Water Administrators Legal Affairs Committee.

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Yvette DePeiza is the Director of MassDEP's Drinking Water Program. She is responsible for overseeing the implementation of the Safe Drinking Water Act Programs, Technical Services programs and special drinking water projects such as Lead in Schools drinking water and PFAS. Programs directed by Ms. DePeiza include Safe Drinking Water Act rules planning, development and implementation, Source water protection, Compliance Assurance Activities, Enforcement and Capacity Development, Distribution protection/Cross connection Control and training, Technical Assistance and Outreach. Ms. DePeiza has a Bachelor of Science in Geology and a Masters in Civil Engineering from Tufts University. She is a past board member of the national Association of Safe Drinking Water Administrators and the National Rural Community Assistance Programs (RCAP). She is also the recipient of the 2017 Jerome J. Healey Award from the New England Water Works Association, the region's largest and oldest not-for-profit organization of water works professionals.

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Lealdon Langley is MassDEP's Director of the Division of Watershed Management. His responsibilities include supervision of the Wastewater Programs at MassDEP including NPDES, Groundwater Discharge Program, and Title 5; the Watershed Planning Program and the Water Management Program. Lealdon previously held positions as the Director of the Wetlands and Wastewater Program and as the Director of the Wetlands and Waterways Program where he was responsible for the implementation of the Wetlands Protection Act, Section 401 of the Clean Waters Act, and the Wetlands Conservancy Mapping Program. Lealdon holds a B.A. in Biology from Hendrix College 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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Stephanie Moura joined MassDEP in January 2019 as the Director of the Division of Wetlands and Waterways. She oversees the permitting responsibilities and policy initiatives for the wetlands protection, 401 Water Quality Certification, and Chapter 91 Waterways programs. Stephanie brings over 30 years experience in environmental policy, planning, and science; stakeholder engagement; and alternative dispute resolution. Her previous roles include: 11 years as Executive Director of SeaPlan (an ocean planning organization); 8 years at MWRA in the Combined Sewer Overflow control program, and 6 years with The Mediation Group. She holds a Master's Degree from Tufts University Urban & Environmental Studies Program and a Bachelor Degree from the University of California in Environmental Studies.

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Daniel Padien, MassDEP's Waterways Chief in the Division of Wetlands and Waterways, oversees the regulatory provisions of the Massachusetts Public Waterfront Act, the oldest waterways law in the United States, commonly called "Chapter 91." The program issues licenses for projects in waterways and ensures that projects meet public-access requirements. Before joining MassDEP, Daniel worked for 25 years in private consulting firm where his practice focused on technical permitting for large and small transportation, land development, electric utility, and other infrastructure projects. Daniel specialized in obtaining complex, inter-related permits for redevelopment and infrastructure projects, often focusing on Chapter 91 Waterways Licensing and wetlands permitting. Prior to his work in consulting, Daniel spent a year with MassDEP's Environmental Strike Force. Daniel earned a Master's degree in Biology/Ecology and a Bachelor's degree in Biology from Boston University.

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Maria Pinaud is the Division Director for Municipal Services in the Bureau of Water Resources at MassDEP. She is responsible for overseeing the annual project solicitation and awards hundreds of millions of dollars in financing for the State Revolving Fund (SRF) Programs. These programs provide low interest loans to municipalities for Clean Water and Drinking Water planning and infrastructure construction projects. Ms. Pinaud has dedicated her career to public service having served in several engineering and management roles at MassDEP. Maria earned a B.S. degree in Chemical Engineering from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst and is a Licensed Site Professional in Massachusetts.

UPCOMING EBC PROGRAMS

OCTOBER 2020

October 1: Dam Management Webinar Series – Part One: Historical Dam Failures in New England
October 2: Seventh Annual “Talking Trash” in Northern New England
October 6: Update on Massport Program Priorities from Lisa Wieland, CEO
October 7: Emerging Contaminants Webinar – COVID-19 – An Environmental Perspective
October 13: Connecticut Webinar – Annual Update on Solid Waste Management
October 13: Ascending Professionals Committee Virtual Program Planning Meeting
October 15: Water Resources Webinar – Industrial Stormwater Permitting
October 16: New Hampshire Webinar – Advancing Sustainability and a Clean Energy Future
October 20: Climate Change Webinar – FEMA’s BRIC Program
October 21: Solid Waste Webinar – MassDEP Regional Solid Waste Section Chiefs
October 27: A Panel Discussion with the 2020 EBC Ascending Leader Award Recipients
October 28: New Hampshire Offshore Wind Webinar – Gulf of Maine Collaboration
October 29: Rhode Island TSCA Webinar – PCB Clean-up in the Northeast

NOVEMBER 2020

November 2: Solid Waste Management Committee Virtual Program Planning Meeting
November 4: New Hampshire Webinar – General Permit Coverage for Industrial Stormwater
November 5: Rhode Island Emerging Contaminants Webinar – PFAS Update
November 12: TSCA and Emerging Contaminants Virtual Program Planning Meetings
November 12: Ascending Professionals Webinar – Managing Risk – Environmental Insurance 101
November 13: 14th Annual Dredging Conference – Cleaning Up Past Contamination