



**EBC Connecticut Leadership Webinar
Briefing from the Leadership of Connecticut DEEP**

DEEP Commissioner Dykes & Deputy Commissioners

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AGENDA

- 9:00 a.m. **Welcome and Program Introduction**
- Jaclyn Caceci, PE, LEED AP, Chair, EBC Connecticut Chapter
Project Manager, Tighe & Bond

- 9:20 a.m. **Keynote Presentation: Connecticut DEEP Program Priorities for 2021**



Katie Dykes, Commissioner
Department of Energy & Environmental Protection
State of Connecticut

- 9:50 a.m. **Program Priorities: Environmental Quality**



Betsey Wingfield, Deputy Commissioner
Environmental Quality
Department of Energy & Environmental Protection
State of Connecticut

- 10:10 a.m. **Program Priorities: Environmental Conservation & Natural Resources**



Mason Trumbull, Deputy Commissioner
Environmental Conservation
Department of Energy & Environmental Protection
State of Connecticut

- 10:30 a.m. **Program Priorities: PURA, Energy and Technology**



Victoria Hackett, Deputy Commissioner for Energy
Department of Energy & Environmental Protection
State of Connecticut

- 10:50 a.m. **Networking Opportunity**

- 11:10 a.m. **Moderated Discussion with CT DEEP Leadership**

Discussion Moderator: Jaclyn Caceci, Tighe & Bond

Panel Members:

- Victoria Hackett, Deputy Commissioner, Energy
- Mason Trumble, Deputy Commissioner, Environmental Conservation
- Betsey Wingfield, Deputy Commissioner, Environmental Quality

- 12:00 p.m. **Adjourn – Closing Remarks – Daniel Moon**

PROGRAM CHAIR

Jaclyn (Jackie) Caceci, PE, LEED AP, Project Manager

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Jackie Caceci is a Project Manager at Tighe & Bond in Shelton, CT. She is a registered Professional Engineer in Connecticut and Massachusetts, as well as a LEED Accredited Professional. She has over 17 years of experience focusing on site/civil design, stormwater and solid waste projects. Jackie started her career in Massachusetts where she worked for 14 years before moving to Connecticut 3.5 years ago. She is on the Board of the Southern New England Chapter of the Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA), as well as serving as the Connecticut Chair for the EBC. She received both a Bachelor of Science degree and a Master of Science degree in Civil Engineering from Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

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Katie Scharf Dykes is the Commissioner of Connecticut's Department of Energy & Environmental Protection (DEEP). She was nominated by Governor Ned Lamont to serve as the Commissioner of DEEP and was confirmed on February 20, 2019.

Katie previously served as Chair of the Connecticut Public Utilities Regulatory Authority (PURA) from 2015-2018, and as Deputy Commissioner for Energy at Connecticut DEEP from 2012-2015. Katie also served as the Chair of the Board of Directors of the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative, Inc. (RGGI) from 2014 to 2017. RGGI is a multi-state effort focused on reducing carbon emissions from electric generating facilities.

Katie joined CT DEEP in March 2012 after prior service as Deputy General Counsel for the White House Council on Environmental Quality and as a Legal Advisor to the General Counsel for the U.S. Department of Energy. She is a graduate of Yale College and the Yale Law School.

SPEAKERS

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Vicki Hackett is the Deputy Commissioner of Energy at the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP). She was appointed to this position in August, 2019.

As Deputy Commissioner, Vicki is leading DEEP's Energy Branch as Connecticut transitions to a zero-carbon electric grid. Her responsibilities include developing Connecticut's Integrated Resources Plan and Comprehensive Energy Strategy, overseeing procurements of clean energy resources, and developing policies and programs in the areas of energy affordability, energy efficiency, and strategic electrification of the transportation and housing sectors to help Connecticut achieve its greenhouse gas reduction goals.

Vicki has developed broad ranging experience in energy and environmental policy and utility regulation in the state of Connecticut since 2006. She previously served as Chief of Staff, Operations, and Performance at DEEP, where she worked on issues involving energy, environmental quality and environmental conservation.

As the Director of Adjudications at the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority, Vicki oversaw the legal work of the agency and acted as general counsel to the Commissioners on matters including utility rate cases, mergers and acquisitions, regional and federal matters, and grid modernization.

As an attorney at the CT Office of Consumer Counsel (OCC), Vicki gained significant experience in utility finance and rate design, integrated resources planning, energy efficiency policy and program review, utility infrastructure planning, and consumer issues related to retail electric supply. Vicki was a litigation attorney in private practice for four years prior to joining the OCC.

Vicki earned her law degree from the University of Virginia School of Law and her B.A. in Sociology/Anthropology from Western Connecticut State University.

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Deputy Commissioner Mason Trumble is an outdoor educator with expertise in promoting and expanding access to outdoor recreation through innovative partnerships between public and private sectors.

In his past role as part of REI's New England leadership team focused on experiences and brand engagement, Mason worked with many non-profit partners across the state on projects ranging from pollinator pathways to improved access for backcountry hiking and camping. One of his most meaningful achievements at REI includes designing "Cheers for Public Lands," a political advocacy campaign that built crucial public support for the recently passed constitutional amendment to protect state lands here in Connecticut. Mason is the founder of the Connecticut Outdoor Recreation Alliance - a coalition of organizations focused on protecting and promoting Connecticut's outdoor recreation resources.

An avid outdoorsman and trained outdoor guide, Mason moved to Connecticut after working as a NOLS (National Outdoor Leadership School) instructor in Utah, an operations manager for a whitewater rafting outfitter and a conference director in Maine. He holds a bachelor's degree in business and a master's degree in outdoor education.

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Betsey Wingfield is the Deputy Commissioner of Environmental Quality at the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection. She brings to that position 31 years of broad experience with the Department including two decades of leadership roles. Her areas of experience include water quality and quantity planning, land and water resources permitting and management, site remediation and enforcement. Ms. Wingfield's academic background includes degrees in geology from the University of North Carolina and the University of Connecticut.

UPCOMING EBC PROGRAMS

APRIL 2021

April 27: Dam Management Webinar – There's a Permit for That – An Overview of Regulatory Reviews
April 27: Ascending Professionals Committee Virtual Program Planning Meeting
April 28: Briefing – Massachusetts Sweeping Climate Legislation – Senator Michael J. Barrett
April 29: Rhode Island Leadership Webinar – Coastal Resources Management Council Briefing
April 30: 3rd Annual Coastal Construction Conference – Collaboration, Implementation, Lessons Learned

MAY 2021

May 5: Water Resources Leadership Webinar – US EPA and New England State Water Leadership
May 6: Connecticut Webinar – Revisions, Revisions, Revisions – Final, Released, and in Development
May 7: Site Remediation Webinar – In Situ Remediation – State of the Practice
May 10: Solid Waste Management Committee Virtual Program Planning Meeting
May 10: Connecticut Chapter Virtual Program Planning Meeting
May 11: Leadership Webinar – Update from the U.S. Army Corps New England District Leadership
May 11: Professional Development Webinar – MA Wetland & Stormwater Updates – Construction Sites
May 12: Emerging Contaminants Webinar – PFAS Legal Issues – What Do We Need to be Aware of?
May 13: Ocean and Coastal Resources Webinar – CAD Cells
May 14: Energy Resources Webinar – Update from the Massachusetts Clean Energy Center Leadership
May 17: TSCA & PCB Working Group Virtual Program Planning Meeting
May 18: Emerging Contaminants Webinar – Beyond PFAS – Other Concerning Emerging Contaminants
May 19: Leadership Webinar – Meet the MEPA Office Director Tori Kim
May 21: Water Resources Webinar – “What Keeps You Up at Night?” – Water Utilities in New England
May 24: Water Resources Committee Virtual Program Planning Meeting
May 24: Emerging Contaminants Working Group Virtual Program Planning Meeting
May 25: New Hampshire Webinar – Shining a Light on Solar Power Obstacles and Opportunities
May 26: Professional Development Webinar – Project Management 201 – Key Elements
May 27: Dam Management Webinar Series – Part Two – Liability & Insurance Obstacles

JUNE 2021

June 7: Energy Resources Committee Virtual Program Planning Meeting
June 7: Dam Management Committee Virtual Program Planning Meeting
June 10: 28th Annual EBEE Awards Celebration
June 14: Rhode Island Chapter Virtual Program Planning Meeting
June 14: New Hampshire Chapter Virtual Program Planning Meeting
June 21: Ocean and Coastal Resources Committee Virtual Program Planning Meeting
June 21: Climate Change and Air Committee Virtual Program Planning Meeting