



EBC New Hampshire Leadership Program with NH DES Commissioner Robert Scott

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AGENDA

- 3:30 p.m. **Welcome and Introduction**
- Robert Varney, Chair, EBC New Hampshire Chapter President, Normandeu Associates, Inc.
- 3:35 p.m. **Welcoming Remarks from Host**
- Doug Foley, President of New Hampshire Operations, Eversource Energy

3:40 p.m. Update from the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services



Robert Scott, Commissioner
Department of Environmental Services
State of New Hampshire

4:10 p.m. Moderated Discussion

Panel Moderator: Chip Crocetti, Ph.D., PG, Vice Chair, EBC New Hampshire Chapter
Senior Vice President, Sanborn Head & Associates, Inc.

Panel Members:

- Heidi Baird, Staff Engineer, Tighe & Bond
- Thomas Burack, Member, EBC Advisory Council
Shareholder, Sheehan Phinney Bass Green
- Danielle Sylvia Cofelice, P.E., Senior Consultant, Environmental Engineer
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4:30 p.m. Networking and Refreshments

5:30 p.m. Adjourn

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Robert Scott, Commissioner
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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.

MODERATOR

Chip Crocetti, Ph.D., PG, Senior Vice President
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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 soil; 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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Heidi Baird is a Project Engineer who has worked for Tighe & Bond for 8 years. Heidi has a B.S. in Environmental Engineering from Worcester Polytechnic Institute. Heidi specializes in water projects including water mains, water storage tanks, pump stations, intake screening, chemical treatment, and PFAS treatment, both in design and construction.

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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.

Tom represents clients across the full range of corporate and organizational challenges and needs in the environmental arena, including with permitting, regulatory compliance, enforcement, groundwater contamination, site investigation and remediation, brownfields, transactional due diligence, management systems, and sustainability. Tom has substantial expertise representing clients before regulatory agencies under federal and state programs, including the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, the Clean Air Act, the Clean Water Act, the Safe Drinking Water Act, the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, as well as laws governing wetlands, dams, and abatement of hazards in building materials (e.g., PCBs, asbestos and lead paint). Tom also advises clients on emergency preparedness, response and recovery issues, and has experience in helping to lead governmental responses to natural and manmade disasters.

In the energy sector, Tom is experienced with development activities, including site development and power purchase agreements, as well as with electric vehicle infrastructure, efficiency and renewable energy projects. Tom has deep insights into energy facility siting strategies and processes based upon his prior service on the State of New Hampshire's Energy Facility Site Evaluation Committee.

Tom consults with organizations on a diverse set of environmental, energy, and organizational management and governance issues. A skilled group facilitator, Tom guides clients through comprehensive scenario thinking and strategic planning processes to develop living strategic plans that are regularly monitored and updated. As a Lean Green Belt, Tom assists clients in implementing continuous process improvement as a management strategy.

While serving as the Commissioner of the NHDES, 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.

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, performing as Daniel Webster, and regaling many an audience 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 is a Fellow in the American College of Environmental Lawyers (ACOEL). In 2019, Tom served as the Perkins Bass Distinguished Visitor at the Rockefeller Center for Public Policy at Dartmouth College.

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Danielle is an environmental engineer in the WSP Golder Merrimack, NH office. She is a registered Professional Engineer in New Hampshire. She has over six years of experience with a variety of environmental site assessment and remediation projects. Her experience includes field assignments involving PFAS sampling in various media, traditional groundwater and soil sampling, well installation, soil characterization, remediation system maintenance, and oversight of contractors; and technical assignments involving analysis, interpreting, and reporting analytical data including data validation and statistical analysis.

Danielle received a Bachelor of Science in Environmental Engineering from the University of Vermont and a Master of Science Degree in Environmental Engineering from Tufts University. As part of her Master's thesis, Danielle completed research that evaluated partitioning electron donors for use in bioremediation of chlorinated solvents. Danielle also co-leads her office's Developing Professional Network group.