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PFAS Series Part II – PFAS in Drinking Water and Wastewater**

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AGENDA

9:00 a.m. **Welcome:** Andrea Braga, Vice Chair, EBC Water Resources Committee
Principal Water Resources Engineer, Jacobs

Program Introduction

- Tim Harrison, Project Manager, AECOM

9:10 a.m. **EPA's PFAS Strategic Roadmap: A Year of Progress**

- Zachary Schafer, Senior Advisor to the Assistant Administrator
Office of Water, US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

9:40 a.m. **PFAS and Water Resources: Legal Considerations**

- Emilee Mooney Scott, Partner, Robinson + Cole, LLP

10:00 a.m. **Networking Opportunity**

10:15 a.m. **Break**

10:20 a.m. **Wellesley - Temporary PFAS Treatment, a Bridge in an Uncertain Regulatory Landscape**

- David Cohen, Director of Public Works, Town of Wellesley
- Eric Kelley, PE, Principal, Environmental Partners
- Alston Potts, PE, Senior Project Engineer, Environmental Partners

10:40 a.m. **PFAS in Wastewater Treatment**

- Blake Martin, Vice President, Water Resources, Weston & Sampson

11:00 a.m. **Moderated Discussion**

Moderator: Peter F. Durning, Program Co-Chair, Partner, Burns & Levinson LLP

Panel Members:

- David Cohen, Town of Wellesley
- Eric Kelley, Environmental Partners
- Blake Martin, Weston & Sampson
- Emilee Mooney Scott, Robinson + Cole, LLP
- Alston Potts, Environmental Partners

11:30 p.m. **Adjourn**

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Peter Durning focuses his practice in the areas of environmental litigation, enforcement defense, land use and permitting, with a specific focus on water and wetlands related matters. His experience includes adjudicatory hearings before the MassDEP, zoning disputes, judicial review of administrative proceedings, and appellate work. He recently prevailed in an adjudicatory hearing on behalf of the developer of a 50-lot residential development located near wetlands and has participated in a range of alternative dispute resolution activities, including arbitrations, multi-party settlement negotiations, and mediations. Peter delivered the winning oral argument in *Town of Concord v. Water Department of Littleton*, 487 Mass. 56 (2021), which involved the statutory interpretation of the Water Management Act.

Peter handles a range of wetlands adjudicatory appeals, solid waste site assignment hearings, zoning cases, citizen suits regarding stormwater discharges, U.S. EPA enforcement actions, permitting, business and transactional consulting, as well as local, state and federal permit proceedings and appeals. His clients include public companies, high net worth individuals, investors in renewable energy facilities, small businesses and municipalities. He also performs environmental due diligence for real estate transactions, development contracts and corporate transactions.

Peter was the co-chair of the Energy and Environmental Law Section of the Boston Bar Association from 2016 – 2018. He also served as the co-chair of the Environmental Litigation Committee from 2012 to 2014. Peter is an active member of the Environmental Business Council. He is the Chair of the EBC's Water Resources Committee and is active in the Solid Waste Management Committee. Peter served on an EBC panel discussing Environmental Justice issues in October 2021, and co-chairs annual EBC programs with the Massachusetts Solid Waste Section Chiefs and the MassDEP Water Resources Leadership.

After graduating from the University of Notre Dame, Peter was a history teacher for seven years, including three years with Teach For America in Trenton, New Jersey, and four years at the Abington Friends School in Jenkintown, Pennsylvania.

Peter earned his J.D. from Boston College Law School in 2003 and is admitted to practice in Massachusetts. Prior to joining the firm, he was a managing shareholder at Mackie Shea Durning P.C., and before that an associate at Goulston & Storrs, P.C., where he worked on several environmental remediation cost recover actions under M.G.L. c. 21E and advised clients on zoning and permitting issues.

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Tim Harrison is a registered civil engineer with 21 years of experience in planning, design, and construction of grey and green municipal infrastructure. His focus has been on wastewater and stormwater/flood protection but also has experience working on water and recycled water projects. He has led multi-discipline teams through planning, design, and construction as both a consultant and

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Emilee Mooney Scott is a partner in Robinson+Cole's Environmental, Energy + Telecommunications Group, with experience in facility compliance and transactional matters. Emilee assists clients in complying with federal and state environmental laws, with a particular focus on the management of hazardous and toxic substances. In particular, she has assisted clients with Toxic Substances Control Act registration and reporting requirements, the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act compliance, and facility chemical safety matters. Emilee helps clients understand, manage and limit environmental risk associated with business and property transactions, and assists clients in complying with transaction-triggered compliance requirements like the Connecticut Transfer Act. Emilee also assists clients with issues related to remediation and emerging contaminants.

SPEAKERS

David Cohen, Director of Public Works

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Dave Cohen has been the Town of Wellesley's DPW Director since 2019. He has worked for the Town since 1995, and also served as the DPW Assistant Director from 2013-2019.

Dave has a Bachelor's Degree in Policy Studies with a concentration in Energy & the Environment and a Master's Degree in Public Administration.

The Wellesley DPW has 116 employees in seven divisions including Engineering, Highway, Park & Tree, Recycling & Disposal, Administration, Fleet Maintenance, and Water & Sewer.

The Water & Sewer Division provides an average of about 3 million gallons each day to 8,500 residential, commercial, and municipal customers. Wellesley's water supply includes a total of ten wells at three treatment plants for corrosion control and disinfection. Wellesley also has a connection to the MWRA which currently provides more than half of Wellesley's water.

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Eric is a principal with Environmental Partners with over 20 years' experience in civil and environmental engineering. He specializes in water quality assessment and analysis, drinking water treatment, and public works construction administration. Eric holds two Bachelor's degrees in environmental engineering from Dartmouth College and a Master's degree in civil engineering from North Carolina State University. He has been working with the Town of Wellesley since May 2021 in the evaluation, assessment, design, permitting, and construction of the Morses Pond PFAS Treatment System.

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Blake serves as the Water Market Leader for Weston & Sampson. With over 30 years of experience, Blake leads the growth of the water resources, planning, ecology, and resiliency service areas. He has also cultivated the development of Weston & Sampson's urban and resiliency planning, permitting, wetlands/ecological studies, water supply/hydrogeology, well and pump, and emerging contaminants treatment services, specifically water treatment for PFAS removal. With an in-depth knowledge of all service lines in the water market, Blake leads a team who is able to address Weston and Sampson's client's needs.

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