

# Understanding and Managing Floodplains for Healthy Watersheds and Resilient Communities

November 9, 2022

Tailwater Lodge, 52 Pulaski St, Altmar, 13302

## Goal

To empower municipal and Tribal decision makers to reduce risks and improve water quality throughout the Great Lakes watershed by maintaining/enhancing healthy floodplains.

## Workshop Objectives

1. **Educate** – Provide information about floodplains and the role they play in our watersheds, natural and anthropogenic drivers that impact the health of floodplains, and land use tools and best practices to reduce risks to our waterways.
2. **Experience** – Engage participants in an interactive format that will provide them with an environment that they can apply or think through ways to implement the tools/practices shared with them.
3. **Connect** – Connect participants with their watershed neighbors, technical assistance & resources.

## Additional Resources

For additional resources, visit the *Great Lakes Resources for Healthy Watersheds and Resilient Communities* document, using the QR code to the right. Instructions: Open the camera app on your phone, point the camera at the QR Code, and click the link that pops up.



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*Face masks are not required for this in-person event; however, NY Sea Grant will make them available should people want them.*

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TIME	AGENDA
9:00AM – 9:30AM <i>30 minutes</i>	<b>Check-In and Refreshments (provided)</b>
9:30AM – 9:40AM <i>10 minutes</i>	<b>Welcome</b> <i>Mary Austerman, New York Sea Grant</i>
9:40AM – 10:05AM <i>25 minutes</i>	<b>Local Climate and Weather Impacts</b> <i>Judy Levan, National Weather Service</i>
10:05AM – 10:25AM <i>20 minutes</i>	<b>Watersheds and Floodplains</b> <i>Emily Fell, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and Kristy LaManche, Finger Lakes – Lake Ontario Watershed Protection Alliance</i>
10:25AM – 10:55AM <i>30 minutes</i>	<b>The Fundamentals of Proactive &amp; Protective Floodplain Management</b> <i>Mary Binder, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation</i>
10:55AM – 11:05AM <i>10 minutes</i>	<b>Break</b>
11:05AM – 11:15AM <i>10 minutes</i>	<b>Introduction to the Watershed Game</b> <i>Mary Austerman and Megan Kocher, New York Sea Grant</i>
11:15AM – 12:00PM <i>45 minutes</i>	<b>River of Resources</b> Flow through stations to visit presenters and partners to network, ask questions and learn about resources that are helpful to your communities.
12:00PM – 1:00PM <i>60 minutes</i>	<b>Lunch (provided)</b> Additional time for networking, visiting tables, and personal business.
1:00AM – 2:40PM <i>100 minutes</i>	<b>Issues and Solutions Panel</b> (4 panelists, 20 minutes each; 20 minutes Q&A) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Nature-based Solutions Throughout the Watershed; <i>Roy Widrig, New York Sea Grant</i></li> <li>○ Model Local Laws to Increase Resiliency; <i>Barbara Kendall, New York Department of State</i></li> <li>○ Conservation Subdivision Design (CSD) Process Presentation; <i>Jeanie Gleisner, Central New York Regional Planning and Development Board</i></li> <li>○ Conservation Subdivision Design (CSD) Process Exercise; <i>Jeanie Gleisner, Central New York Regional Planning and Development Board</i></li> </ul>
2:40PM – 2:50PM <i>10 minutes</i>	<b>Break and Refreshments (provided)</b>
2:50PM – 4:00PM <i>70 minutes</i>	<b>Watershed Game</b> <i>Mary Austerman and Megan Kocher, New York Sea Grant</i>
4:00PM – 4:20PM <i>20 minutes</i>	<b>Group Discussion</b> <i>Mary Austerman and Megan Kocher, New York Sea Grant</i>
4:20PM – 4:30PM <i>10 minutes</i>	<b>Parting Words</b> <i>Mary Austerman and Megan Kocher, New York Sea Grant</i>
4:30PM	<b>Adjourn</b> Hand in workshop evaluations to receive your Certificate of Completion.