THE THAMES RIVER BASIN PARTNERSHIP FLOATING WORKSHOP #23

FRIDAY, JUNE 9TH (1-5PM) AT PROJECT OCEANOLOGY 1084 SHENNECOSSETT RD. GROTON, CT

Registration is now open for the 23rd annual Thames River Basin Partnership Floating Workshop. The cost of this year's Floating Workshop is just \$25.

Conservation professionals from many disciplines will be on board for networking and idea sharing. Bring your questions and ideas and learn the value of becoming part of our Partnership!

THIS YEAR'S WORKSHOP THEME IS RESILIENT AND SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES

Our keynote presentation will feature David Murphy, CIRCA's Director of Resilience Engineering. The Connecticut Institute for Resilience and Climate Adaptation (CIRCA) initiated the Resilient Connecticut project in 2018 working with state agencies, Councils of Governments (COGs), and municipalities in western CT. David is leading the expansion of the Resilient Connecticut program in what has been dubbed "Resilient Connecticut 2.0". The expansion includes a statewide assessment of the Climate Change Vulnerability Index (CCVI) followed by climate adaptation project development in the communities of southeastern Connecticut. Learn how your community may benefit from this effort. Following David's talk, Sarah Watson from CT DEEP will give a short talk about available funding for municipalities to address climate change related issues.

Following the indoor programs, workshop participants will transition to the Project Oceanology Envirolab II for a Thames River tour. The tour will feature two stops with onboard presentations from our conservation partners. Learn about reef balls in the Thames, an urban forestry initiative in Willimantic, urban sustainability planning in Groton and the offshore wind farm development that is part of the GC3 initiative.

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Please note: There will be no lunch included with the workshop this year. We encourage you to arrive to the campus early and enjoy a picnic along the UCONN Avery Point shoreline. Lunches may be purchased at Mort's as an option. Registration will begin at 12:30 PM.

Registration and payment must be received by June 8, 2023. Space aboard the Envirolab is limited. Any late registrations must be arranged through Jean.Pillo@Comcast.net. Please make your check payable to the Eastern Connecticut Conservation District, and mail it with the completed registration form below to: TRBP Floating Workshop, c/o ECCD, 139 Wolf Den Road, Brooklyn, CT 06234

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