



Soak Up the Rain New England Webinar Series:

Planning & Implementing Climate Smart Parks in Massachusetts

Tuesday, July 30th, 1:00 PM-2:30 PM EST

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In the last five years, Massachusetts has experienced increasingly more frequent and severe weather events including record-breaking snowfall in 2015, severe drought in 2016, and the greatest amount of precipitation for the state on record in Fall 2018. Nature-based climate resilience is an important strategy to curb the impacts of these hazards, using natural systems to mitigate stormwater, flooding, and extreme heat.

This webinar will discuss climate-smart parks in Metro Boston, covering the available tools, data analysis, and planning and design strategies for successful implementation. The Trust for Public Land and Metropolitan Area Planning Council developed and implemented a Climate Smart Parks data analysis and mapping tool to help Massachusetts towns plan and design urban parks and green infrastructure installations to support urban climate resilience. The metro-Boston city of Medford will showcase these tools and strategies in action with a real-world climate-resilient green infrastructure case study developed and implemented through the Metro Mayors Program.

Presenters

- Brendan Shane, Director of Climate, The Trust for Public Land
- Darci Schofield, Senior Environmental Planner, Metropolitan Area Planning Council
- Alicia Hunt, Sustainability Director, City of Medford, MA

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Who Should Attend:

Municipal decision makers/planners and Department of Public Works (DPW) staff, environmental organizations, practitioners, educators, and interested citizens - anyone who is considering a new project or looking to build on an existing program.

About the Webinar Series

The Soak up the Rain Webinar Series highlights innovative approaches to addressing stormwater in New England, presented by leaders from around the region.

- Hear about stormwater public outreach resources and programs;
- See who's soaking up the rain as we showcase green infrastructure projects and programs;
- Learn about the latest tools and resources from EPA and others for implementing and promoting green infrastructure; and
- Engage with others as we share information about successes, barriers, and lessons learned while implementing green infrastructure in New England communities.

For more on Soak up the Rain:

<http://www.epa.gov/soakuptherain>