

URBAN WATERS WORKSHOP AGENDA:
YOUTH ENGAGEMENT AND CREATING JOB OPPORTUNITIES
Wednesday, December 1, 2021
12:15 - 2:00 PM EST
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Urban Waters Workshop – Youth Engagement and Creating Job Opportunities

Purpose: An initial conversation amongst Urban Waters Program partners, including non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and academic institutions, to identify job pathways and strategies to connect youth and citizens to jobs in the community or Urban Waters Federal Partnership locations.

12:15 PM Ryan Campbell, MDB Inc., will welcome workshop participants and provide an overview of the session agenda.

12:15 – 12:30 PM **Opening Remarks**

Action: The EPA Urban Waters Program Headquarters team will make opening remarks followed by Amelia Bernstein, Earth Force Board member.

12:30 – 1:15 PM **Urban Waters Partner Perspectives Panel**

Action: Partners below will engage in a moderated discussion on best practices for Urban Waters job creation and youth development:

- American Forests – Sarah Anderson
- AmeriCorps – Sandy Scott
- EPA Region 6 – Randy Rush
- University of California Cooperative Extension, Los Angeles County – Sabrina Drill, Ph.D. & Julio Soria
- University of the District of Columbia – Patrick Gusman and Harris Trobman
- U.S. Geological Survey and Bronx & Harlem Rivers – Stephen Terraciano

1:15 – 1:20 PM **Break**

1:20 – 1:50 PM **Open Discussion**

Action: Session attendees are invited to share perspectives on how Urban Waters can leverage job creation programs and strategies to activate youth engagement. Questions will be provided in the chat pertaining to Urban Waters job needs and job clusters.

1:50 – 2:00 PM **Next Steps and Adjourn**

Action: The EPA Urban Waters Headquarters team will recap sessions discussion and outline next steps for action.