Southeast New England Program
Steering Committee Meeting
04/20/2022 13:00-16:00

Topics:
• Future Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Spending
• Steering Committee Post-COVID
• Role of the Steering Committee

Agenda:
• 13:00-13:15: Introduction and Roll Call (Mel Coté, Chief, Surface Water Protection Branch)
• 13:15-13:30: SNEP FY22 Spending and BIL Outlook
• 13:30-14:30: Discussion on Future BIL Spending
  o For FY23-26, on what topics, projects, events, and/or research should SNEP dedicate its BIL funds?
  o Which are most urgent, which can wait until later years?
• 14:30-15:30: Role of the Steering Committee
  o How do you envision the role of the Committee in the future?
  o Would you like more input on SNEP funding decisions?
  o Would you like more input on SNEP programmatic direction?
  o Would you prefer a different Committee structure in general?
  o How do you feel the Steering Committee should interact with SNEP’s other Committees (Policy, Federal Partners, Monitoring and Ecosystem Subcommittees)?
• 15:30-16:00: Envisioning the Steering Committee Post-COVID
  o Do we return to in-person meetings?
  o Do we keep with two meetings per year?
  o Do we keep with shorter format, or return to full day?
Invited Organizations:

- Association to Preserve Cape Cod
- Buzzards Bay Coalition
- Buzzards Bay National Estuary Program
- Cape Cod Commission
- U.S Environmental Protection Agency, Region 1
- U.S Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Research and Development
- Massachusetts Coastal Zone Management
- Massachusetts Department of Ecological Restoration
- Martha’s Vineyard Commission
- Mashpee Wampanoag Natural Resources Department
- Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection
- Narragansett Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve
- Narragansett Tribe
- Narragansett Bay National Estuary Program
- NEIWPCC
- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
- Natural Resource Conservation Service (Massachusetts)
- Natural Resource Conservation Service (Rhode Island)
- Rhode Island Coastal Resource Management Council
- Rhode Island Department of Environmental Protection
- Save the Bay
- Southeastern Regional Economic Planning and Development District
- The Nature conservancy
- University of Massachusetts, Boston
- U.S Army Corps of Engineers
- U.S Fish and Wildlife Service
- U.S. Geological Survey
- Wampanoag of Gay Head (Aquinnah)
- Waquoit Bay Estuarine Research Reserve