

Federalism Re-envisioned: Exploring Possibilities for Enhanced State and Tribal Roles in Water Resources Protection, Conservation and Management

SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

Adams, Collis has served as the administrator of the Wetlands Bureau at the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (DES) for the past thirteen years. As the administrator, he oversees all activities relative to the New Hampshire Dredge and Fill Law (NH RSA 482-A) and the Shoreland Water Quality Protection Act (NH RSA 483-B). Prior to filling that role he spent ten years with the DES Alteration of Terrain Program reviewing and permitting stormwater management plans for large scale developments. As administrator of the wetlands bureau he was instrumental in the implementation of an in-lieu fee program for wetland mitigation and then expanding that program to include streams and their riparian habitats.

Before coming to DES, Collis spent six years in private engineering consulting and prior to that, a five year stint with the New England Division of the Army Corps of Engineers. In 1980 Collis graduated with a BSCE degree from the University of Massachusetts. Prior to UMass, Collis spent four years studying architecture at The Ohio State University and he remains an avid Buckeye fan to this day!

Collis lives in Goffstown, New Hampshire with his wife Laura. He has two children, one of each, and is particularly proud that he has instilled in them his same sense of love for the outdoors. Collis particularly enjoys spending time along the varied coastlines of New England and he is seldom seen without his yellow lab Zoë at his side.

Collis also serves on his local Board of Selectman, planning board, and Board of Directors for Goffstown Little League. He is a state certified umpire for high school baseball, his other true calling in life.





Anastasio, Julia joined the Association of Clean Water Administrators (ACWA) in May 2014 as the new Executive Director and General Counsel. ACWA is an independent, nonpartisan national organization of state and interstate water program managers, who on a daily basis implement the water quality programs of the federal Clean Water Act. Ms. Anastasio has over 15 years of experience in government, administrative law and federal policy development. She began her career with the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection as an Executive Policy Specialist and then she returned to Washington, DC in 2005 to work for the America Public Works Association (APWA). While at APWA, she focused on environmental, sustainability and infrastructure development at the local, state and federal levels. At ACWA, Ms. Anastasio focuses on working with state water program directors and EPA's Office of Water on ensuring that the states have the resources they need to implement the Clean Water Act in their home states. Ms. Anastasio earned her B.A. from Franklin Marshall College, her Masters in Environmental Law and Policy from Vermont Law School, and her J.D. from American University.

Barger, Cindy joined the Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works) (ASA (CW)) as the Environmental Planner in the Project Planning and Review Branch in July 2015. Ms. Barger oversees the review of environmental compliance for all U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) specifically authorized feasibility studies. In her role as Environmental Planner, Ms. Barger is the primary point of contact for aquatic ecosystem restoration projects, watershed assessments, and environmental mitigation for Civil Works activities. In addition, Ms. Barger is the ASA (CW)'s point of contact for the "Waters of the United States" rule-making.

Prior to working in the Office of the ASA (CW), Ms. Barger worked 21 years for the Corps with 13 years at the Pacific Ocean Division (POD) and Honolulu District and 8 years in Seattle District. Throughout her Corps career as a biologist and environmental program manager, Ms. Barger conducted environmental management and compliance in support of all the Corps' mission areas - Civil Works, Regulatory, Military, International and Interagency Services, and Emergency Operations, with an ongoing focus on ways to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of project execution through sustainable approaches. Key highlights of her career with the Corps include developing one of the first programmatic Endangered Species Act consultations for the Regulatory program while in Seattle District, helping establish the watershed program and initiating the first watershed assessment in POD under section 729 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1986, helping establish the POD humanitarian aid assistance program – including managing international and federal environmental compliance for U.S. Agency of International Development recovery actions for the 2004 Indonesian Tsunami, managing the primary response team for emergency power for Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, and managing the development of one of the largest environmental impact statements in Hawaii – the U.S. Army's Stryker Brigade Combat Team training program, for which she received the Bronze De Fleury Medal, one of the Corps' most prestigious awards.

Ms. Barger holds a Master's in coastal ecology and coastal zone management from the University of Washington and a bachelors in archaeology from the University of California, Berkeley. Prior to working with the Army, Ms. Barger worked with the World Resources Institute and Friends of the Earth.

Bax, Stacia is the Environmental Supervisor of the Stormwater and Certification Unit within the Missouri Department of Natural Resources. Her unit includes 4 technical staff and implements the Section 401 Water Quality Certification Program as well as approximately 40 master general permits under Section 402 NPDES program, implementing aspects of the NPDES eReporting Rule through the ePermitting system for land disturbance (construction) general permits and eDMR system for electronic submission

of discharge monitoring reports, and coordinating the municipal stormwater (MS4) program. Stacia has 19 years of experience with the department and has also worked in Section 319 Nonpoint Source grants, Water Quality Standards rulemaking, and TMDL development. As a part-time employee in college, she worked as a Seasonal Naturalist in a state park and conducted various fieldwork in the beautiful Ozarks of Southwest Missouri.

In her personal time, she enjoys spending time with her husband, daughter and son (and two dogs) hiking, camping, and kayaking as well as coaching NASP archery, leading Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, and watching her daughter play volleyball. In her spare time, Stacia loves to read, cook and bake (pies are her favorite), explore new places, and craft fiber arts (knitting and crocheting namely, though she has a loom she would love to learn to weave on). She lives in Central Missouri.

Berginnis, Chad became executive director of the Association of State Floodplain Managers (ASFPM) in July 2012, after joining the association staff as associate director in 2011. Since 1993, his work has focused on floodplain management, hazard mitigation, and land use planning at the state, local and private sector levels. As a state official, Chad worked in the Ohio Floodplain Management Program and was Ohio's State Hazard Mitigation Officer. As a local official, he administered planning, economic development and floodplain management programs in Perry County, Ohio. In the private Sector, he was the national Practice Leader in hazard mitigation for Michael Baker Jr. Inc. Chad has served in an ASFPM volunteer leadership capacity for over a decade as ASFPM as Insurance Committee Chair, Mitigation Policy Committees' Coordinator, Vice Chair, and Chair. He has a Bachelor of Science in Natural Resources from Ohio State University.

Brown, Clifford has worked for West Virginia Division of Natural Resources, Wildlife Resources Section, since 1989 and currently serves in the DNR Environmental Coordination Unit as the lead for oil and gas related activities. Responsibilities include review of Section 401 applications, coordination with WVDEP and USEPA for mitigation and restoration associated with administrative orders and consent decrees, coordination with USFWS related to the National Wildlife Refuge System, Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, Migratory Bird Treaty Act and the Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Program, coordination with the USFS for oil and gas projects on the Monongahela, George Washington and Jefferson National Forests in West Virginia, and serves on the AFWA Energy and Wildlife Policy Committee and the agency coordinator for review of FERC projects in West Virginia. He holds a B.S. in Biology and a M.S. in Wildlife and Fisheries Science from the Pennsylvania State University.

Cargill, John G. has been a Hydrologist with the Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) since 2005. Working uniquely across two DNREC Divisions (Waste & Hazardous Substances and Watershed Stewardship), he oversees contamination assessment and cleanup projects conducted by responsible parties and developers in the State, and also designs and implements State lead assessment and remediation projects, including contaminated sediment projects. More recently, John has accepted additional project management duties related to Delaware's Watershed Approach to Toxics Assessment and Restoration (WATAR) Program and Toxics in Biota Monitoring Program. John earned a bachelor's degree in geology from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1994 and a Master's degree in coastal geology from the University of South Florida at Tampa in 1996. John is a licensed Professional Geologist and licensed Geotechnical Well Driller in the State of Delaware, and has worked as a licensed geologist in the states of North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Virginia.

Chan, Caroline Ph.D., undergraduate background afforded her strong exposure to aquatic ecology and computer programming. Her graduate work in Public Health, Environmental Health Sciences, involved looking at mercury fate and transport, from air emissions to human exposure from fish consumption. Her current position with the Kentucky Division of Water in the GIS & Data Analysis section allows her to continue her personal mission of using science to inform policy. In keeping with this, her job duties focus on data analysis and creating tools or models to inform the decision-making process.

Christie, Jeanne has been with ASWM since 1999 and Executive Director since 2001. ASWM's primary mission is to support the incorporation of sound science into public policy and assist states in building state wetland program capacity. Jeanne has led projects to improve wetland restoration science, respond to proposed revisions to Clean Water Act jurisdiction, improve wetlands mapping methodologies and a host of other science and policy related projects. From 1995 to 1999 she was a Resource Conservationist with the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service, Wetlands and Watersheds Division where she was national program leader for the Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program. She worked for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Wetlands Division (1988-1995) moving from the staff level to Section Chief and Acting Branch Chief. Responsibilities included working as a liaison with other federal agencies and state wetland program capacity building. As an environmental planner at the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (1985-1988) responsibilities included the Green Bay Remedial Action Plan and the 208 Watershed Plan for Southeastern Wisconsin. She has a B.A. in Political Science and a B.S. in Environmental Science, both from the University of Maine at Presque Isle. Jeanne is a 2007 winner of the National Wetlands Award for Education and Outreach. During her spare time she does volunteer work with the Maine Chapter of the Appalachian Mountain Club, the Maine Master Gardeners and the Maine Master Naturalists. She lives in an 1885 farmhouse in Windham, ME with her husband Larry and their 'rescued' animal companions Navia, Gabby and Connie.

Connolly, Kim Diana has focused a large part of her academic career on laws and policies that regulate and protect the planet and its inhabitants. She serves as a Professor of Law, and the Vice Dean for Advocacy and Experiential Learning for the University at Buffalo School of Law, where she directs both the Advocacy Institute and the Clinical Legal Education Program. She teaches environmental law courses, including the Environmental Advocacy Clinic. She also studies, writes and speaks about environmental and animal law policies, creatively examining and sharing ideas as to how to move toward a sustainable future. Professor Connolly's commitment to environmental justice began before she attended law school, when she ran a non-profit working to bring social justice to those facing a lack of access to clean water and sanitary wastewater removal in North Carolina. After earning her law degree, she has advocated in multiple arenas, including in judicial settings, before federal, state and local legislative bodies, with federal, international, state, and local administrative bodies, and beyond. When she joined academia, Professor Connolly began exploring environmental and related policies. She has written both traditional and non-traditional works, and presented at numerous conferences around the world. Professor Connolly's work has been used by policy-makers as well as cited by scholars. Prior to her teaching career, she practiced law with a number of Washington, D.C., law firms, including Beveridge and Diamond and Hunton & Williams. She received her J.D., magna cum laude, from Georgetown University Law Center and her LL.M. with highest honors from George Washington University Law School. Professor Connolly did her undergraduate work in chemistry at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill where she was a Morehead Scholar, and served as a VISTA volunteer between college and law school. She also received a certification in Non-Profit Management from Duke University.

Davis, Dave is the Director of the Office of Wetlands & Stream Protection at the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality. In this position, he is responsible for Virginia's independent nontidal wetland regulatory program, non-regulatory wetland programs, and surface water investigation programs. He is DEQ's lead technical expert on wetland science issues, drafts regulations and guidance on State wetland policy, serves as the liaison with federal agencies regarding 404/401 issues, and manages several federally-funded wetland grants. Dave represents DEQ on several state and federal interagency wetland committees, taskforces, and work groups – statewide, nationally, and throughout the Mid-Atlantic region. Prior to joining DEQ in 2001, Dave was a partner in a wetland consulting firm in Richmond. He was appointed to the Virginia Board of Certified Soil Scientists and Wetland Professionals in 2002 by then-Governor Mark Warner, and was re-appointed to the Board in 2006 by then-Governor Tim Kaine. In 2012, Dave was appointed to the Certification Review Panel for the Society of Wetland Scientists' Professional Certification Program.

He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology (Music minor) from The College of William & Mary and a Master of Environmental Studies degree in Environmental Policy and Administration from Virginia Commonwealth University. He is a certified Professional Wetland Scientist and a Virginia Certified Professional Wetland Delineator. His professional affiliations include the Society of Wetland Scientists and the Association of State Wetland Managers.

In his spare time, Dave plays bass trombone and tuba with several ensembles, including the Richmond Philharmonic Orchestra, the European Wind Ensemble of Richmond, and Die Elbe-Musikanten (a traditional Bavarian band). He is also active with The College of William & Mary's mentoring and career counseling programs, and is an alumni advisor for Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia music fraternity. A native of Chincoteague Island, Virginia, Dave has resided in Richmond since 1990.

Driscoll, Lauren is the manager of the wetlands program at the Washington State Department of Ecology, a position that she has held since 2005. She is responsible for ensuring statewide consistency in the implementation of 401 WQ certifications, technical assistance, and guidance for local wetland regulations. Since 2007 she has also served as the agency's wetland policy lead doing bill analyses and legislative briefings, tracking national issues, and providing guidance on local wetland ordinances and their implementation. Lauren specializes in wetland policy and mitigation options such as wetland banks, ILF and advance mitigation.

Lauren began work at Ecology in 1998 when she was hired to develop a wetland banking rule and establish the state's bank certification program. Before joining Ecology, Lauren worked for the Washington State Department of Transportation where she performed wetland studies on transportation projects statewide, designed mitigation sites, and participated in the development of the Washington Wetland Function Assessment model.

Lauren received her bachelor's in environmental studies from the Evergreen State College where she studied ecology, botany, organic agriculture and computer sciences.

Gilson, Susan is Executive Director of National Association of Flood &Stormwater Management Agencies (NASFMA). Ms. Gilson has worked with NAFSMA since 1989 and has served as the organization's Executive Director since 1993. She has an extensive background in water resources policy issues and works closely with the congressional staff, and officials of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the Federal Emergency Management Agency/Department of Homeland Security and others on legislative and regulatory issues. Prior to becoming NAFSMA's

Executive Director on a full-time basis in January 2008, Susan was a managing associate in the Water Resources, Transportation and Environment Practice at Carmen Group, Inc. Prior to joining Carmen Group, she was an assistant city representative for the National Center for Municipal Development, where she analyzed federal legislation and regulations on behalf of local government clients. She also worked on a special project with the Roosevelt Center for American Policy Studies. Susan graduated cum laude in 1979 from Westminster College, with a degree in political science.

Goodin, John has served as the Acting Director of EPA's Office of Wetlands, Oceans, and Watersheds since January of 2017, where he leads multiple programs related to the protection and restoration of the nation's waters. Chief among them are Clean Water Act efforts in collaboration with states to monitor and assess water quality, develop restoration plans and nonpoint source pollution reduction plans, promulgate rulemakings and guidance related to the Act's jurisdiction, administer permitting responsibilities related to inland and ocean discharges of dredged and fill material, and advance state and local efforts under our National Estuary Program and Urban Waters program. Prior to his OWOW position, John was Director of EPA's Wetlands Division where he was responsible for leading the development and implementation of national wetlands policy, including advancing rulemakings and regulatory actions with the Army Corps of Engineers, as well as the strategic and financial support of state programs and aquatic resource science and monitoring. Since joining EPA in 1990, John has also led the Agency's Watershed Branch, where he conceived and implemented a new vision for the Clean Water Act's program on identifying and restoring impaired waters with the collaboration of state partners. He also previously led the Wetlands and Aquatic Resources Regulatory Branch and served as Acting Deputy Director of the Oceans and Coastal Protection Division. John holds a Master's degree in Zoology from the University of Western Australia and a Bachelor's degree in Biology from the University of Richmond.

Hicks, Dana is a Mitigation Policy Specialist for the Oregon Department of State Lands, where she has worked since 2008. Her primary focus over the course of her career has been wetland and stream restoration. Dana has a Master's of Science in Environmental Science and Engineering from Oregon Graduate Institute and completed doctorate work at Oregon State University.

Johnson, Stephen M. is a Professor of Law at Mercer University Law School in Macon, Georgia. He received his J.D. from Villanova University School of Law and an LL.M. in environmental law from the George Washington University Law School. Prior to teaching, he served as an attorney for the Bureau of Regulatory Counsel in the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources (now DEP) and as a trial attorney for the U.S. Department of Justice, Environment and Natural Resources Division, Environmental Defense Section, where he worked on wetlands litigation and other environmental litigation.

He joined the Mercer faculty in 1993 and served as the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs from 2002-2012. He specializes in Environmental Law, Administrative Law and Statutory Law. In addition to authoring numerous articles on environmental law and administrative law, he has written a book on Wetlands Law, published by CALI's eLangdell Press, and co-edited an American Bar Association book on Wetlands Law.

Kline, Mike is the Vermont State Rivers Program Manager. He has been with the Department of Environmental Conservation for 29 years. He received his Master's in River Ecology at the University of Colorado, Boulder in 1986. Mike has developed a fluvial geomorphic approach to flood and erosion hazard mitigation, establishing stream equilibrium and connectivity standards for river corridor management, protection and restoration. Mike supervises a team of river scientists, engineers, and floodplain managers involved with assessing rivers statewide; regulating stream alterations and floodplain encroachments; and implementing river corridor plans.

Lamprecht, Michael is an Environmental Protection Specialist with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) where he is responsible for giving guidance regarding waters of the United States, including wetlands, and for other environmental programs including wildlife hazards, endangered species and the Voluntary Airport Low Emissions and Zero Emission Vehicle programs. Michael is a graduate from Binghamton University of New York and the University of Michigan where he studied biology and forestry respectively. Prior to joining the FAA, Mr. Lamprecht worked three years as an EPS for the Federal Highway Administration and 15 years as an ecologist for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in the Regulatory Program working in various districts and the national headquarters.

Lapierre, Laura, PWS, NHCWS, is the Program Manager of the Vermont Wetlands Program for the VT Department of Environmental Conservation. Laura has a Master's Degree in Biology from McGill University. At VT DEC, Laura is responsible for the management and protection of Vermont's wetlands through her program's implementation of the Vermont Wetland Rules, wetland bioassessment projects, wetland restoration work, and aiding in the development of state wetland policy. She has more than 10 years of cumulative experience evaluating wetland function and values throughout northeastern North America as a researcher, consultant, and state regulator.

Lemm, Les is the Wetlands Section Manager for the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources. He is responsible for overseeing implementation of the State Wetland Conservation Act, Minnesota's comprehensive wetland protection law, including a robust wetland banking program. He has a variety of other experience, including working as a charter boat captain on Minnesota's Lake of the Woods, a natural resource consultant, and the District Manager for the Lake of the Woods Soil and Water Conservation District. Les has a Bachelor's degree in Natural Resource Management from the University of Minnesota and a Master's degree in Resource Economics from North Dakota State University.

Norris, Doug is the Wetlands Program Coordinator for the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources in St. Paul since 1993. His responsibilities include wetland policy development, providing technical assistance on wetlands, developing wetlands-related data such as updated National Wetland Inventory maps and wetland status and trend data, and administering the DNR's regulatory responsibilities for calcareous fens. Doug held previous positions with the St. Paul District, Corps of Engineers and for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Bloomington, Indiana. He graduated from Purdue University (B.S. - Wildlife) and from the University of Missouri (M.S. - Fisheries and Wildlife).

Osterberg, **Krista** is the Surface Water Section Manager with the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ). In this role, she oversees the management and continuous improvement of all of Arizona's Clean Water Act programs. ADEQ is currently in the early stages of pursuing 404 program assumption. Krista received a Master's of Science in Water Resources from the University of Connecticut, and Bachelors' of Science in both Natural Resources Management and Animal Science from UConn as well. When she is not working, she enjoys tending to her small farm in south Phoenix and running ultramarathons.

Perez, Stephanie B., PG is a Professional Geologist and an Environmental Protection Specialist for the Office of Program Delivery at the Federal Railroad Administration Headquarters. Stephanie is a graduate of Virginia Tech, where she received a Bachelor of Science in Geology. At FRA, Stephanie is responsible for NEPA and environmental compliance for railroad projects in the Southwestern US. As part of her responsibilities, she works with project sponsors to synchronize NEPA and environmental permitting process to accelerate project delivery. She has more than 25 years of experience primarily working on environmental issues and project development in the private sector. Ms. Perez was also a Peace Corps volunteer in the Dominican Republic, where she designed and built a water supply system and worked with Dominicans to understand the relationship between deforestation and watershed protection. She lives in Northern Virginia with her husband and twin daughters where she enjoys hiking, fossil collecting, kayaking, and other outdoor activities.

Rach, Timothy is a Program Administrator with the State of Florida, Department of Environmental Protection in the Submerged Lands & Environmental Resources Coordination Program at the Florida Department of Environmental Protection. He has been with DEP for over 22 years in various management and supervisory positions. Most of his time has been in the Environmental Resources Permitting program regulating development in wetlands and surface waters. Tim is responsible for overseeing the statewide implementation of the ERP rules and regulations within the Department, Water Management Districts and local delegated programs. He holds a BS degree in Marine Biology from Troy University and a MS degree in Ecology from Old Dominion University.

Prior to working for the state of Florida he interned with the dredge and fill section in the Norfolk District (VA) of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers while he was working on his Master's Degree. Tim lives in Tallahassee, Florida with his wife Denise and their three kids. Tim enjoys camping, hiking, volleyball and brewing beer.

Regan, Ron has served as the Executive Director for the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies since 2010. Prior to this he spent over 25 years with the Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department where he served as Deer Project Leader, Director of Wildlife, and Commissioner. Ron serves on several national boards including those of the Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership, the Wildlife and Hunting Heritage Conservation Council, the Recreational Boating and Fishing Foundation, the Council to Advance Hunting and the Shooting Sports, the National Deer Alliance, and the National Conservation Leadership Institute. Ron is a professional member of The Wildlife Society and the Boone and Crockett Club.

Robertson, Andy is currently Executive Director of GeoSpatial Services at Saint Mary's University of Minnesota. In this role, Andy is responsible for oversight and management of all GeoSpatial Services projects, activities and staff. GeoSpatial Services is engaged in a wide variety of projects across the Lower 48 and Alaska including: wetland inventory; National Hydrography Dataset updates; spatial data development; and, natural resource condition assessments. Andy earned a Forest Technology Diploma from Sault College of Applied Technology in Ontario, Canada, a B.Sc. in Environmental Science from the University of Waterloo and completed postgraduate work in forest management at the University of Toronto. GeoSpatial Services has been a key partner of the USFWS and has been working for over 15 years to update legacy National Wetland Inventory data across the nation. Andy is a steering committee member for the ASWM Wetland Mapping Consortium and is co-chair of the Alaska GeoSpatial Council Wetland Technical Working Group.

Ruth, Michael S., PG is a Professional Geologist on the Project Development & Environmental Review Team at the Federal Highway Administration Headquarters. Mike is a graduate of the University of Maryland and the Johns Hopkins University where he studied the Geological Sciences. At Federal Highway, Mike is responsible for guiding the framework for FHWA's policy for wetlands, wetland and stream mitigation, Coast Guard Bridge Permitting, and for promoting the NEPA/404 synchronization process to accelerate project delivery. Mike is a Coast Guard veteran and a former USACE Regulator in the Savannah District. More importantly, Mike likes to fly fish, collect rocks, bike, hammer nails, landscape, spend time with his family and friends, good Irish whiskey, and his lovely wife, Lisa Marie Fratino whom he married this past November in Annapolis, MD.

Stelk, Marla J. is a Policy Analyst at the Association of State Wetland Managers (ASWM). She facilitates the Wetland Mapping Consortium and the Natural Floodplain Functions Alliance and runs both webinar series. She has led ASWM's projects over the past five years on how to improve wetland restoration performance outcomes and now leads ASWM's focus on integration for wetland and watershed protection and restoration. Marla works with regional EPA staff to facilitate state and tribal wetland trainings and is currently working with the Army Corps of Engineers to develop webinar trainings on advanced topics in compensatory mitigation. She also leads ASWM's projects on invasive species, ecosystem services and climate change. Marla is the Association's Communications Team leader, Editor of Wetland Breaking News and represents ASWM on the national Advisory Committee on the Water Information Water Resources Adaptation to Climate Change Workgroup. Marla is a Town Councilor in her hometown of Gorham, Maine and on the Executive Committee at the Greater Portland Council of Governments. She has a long history and love of community planning, creative placemaking and studio art. She holds a Master's degree in Community Planning and Development with a focus on Land Use and the Environment from the Edward S. Muskie School of Public Service.

Tack, Jon is the Water Quality Bureau Chief of the Iowa Department of Natural Resources. The Water Quality Bureau includes the state's wastewater and drinking water programs as well as the water monitoring and watershed improvement sections. Jon is a graduate of the University of Iowa and the University's College of Law and has obtained a Certified Public Manager designation from the Drake University College of Business and Public Administration. He has been with the Iowa DNR since 1998.

Ufner, Julie is an Associate Legislative Director at NACo. She is responsible for all policy development and lobbying for the association in the areas of environment, energy and land use. She joined NACo in June of 2002 from the office of former Representative Phil English (Pa.) where she had four years of legislative experience, working on a number of issues, including environmental policy, human resources, energy, banking and international affairs.

Prior to her political experience, Julie worked with adolescents, teens and adults with mental health disorders. Previous jobs include teaching horseback riding, giving guided carriage tours of historic Philadelphia, waitressing, pet-sitting and working in her parents' pizza shop. She has traveled overseas extensively, including several stints living and studying in Japan; she enjoys horseback riding, reading, acting and writing. She originally hails from Butler, Pa., is a graduate of Slippery Rock University in Slippery Rock, Pennsylvania and currently lives in Alexandria, VA

Walker, Jesse C., Esq. is representing the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection for his client Ken Murin. Jesse is regulatory counsel for the Pennsylvania DEP's Bureau of Waterways, Engineering and Wetlands in Harrisburg, PA, a role that he has held for the past 3 years. In this role Jesse counsels the program on regulatory matters, which include the applicability of the Dam Safety and Encroachments Act and the implementing Pennsylvania regulations, which entail the water obstructions and encroachments division and the dam safety division. Jesse's daily counseling responsibilities include counseling his clients on matters pertaining to interpreting the PADEP regulations, Sections 401 and 404 of the Clean Water Act, permit review, PASPGP-5, developing technical guidance and working with regional counsel to ensure program consistency. Jesse is a graduate of the University of Massachusetts School of Law and obtained his Environmental Policy Certificate from the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth. Jesse is from southwestern Pennsylvania, where he previously worked for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Pittsburgh District.

Wolff, Brian serves as the Branch Chief of Surface Water, Enforcement, and Operations for the Indiana Department of Environmental Management. The branch covers Wetlands, Stormwater, MS4's, as well as enforcement cases and operational duties for all of the water quality division. Prior to joining Water Quality, Brian served 10 years as manager of the Special Projects Section in the Office of Air Quality, and for 5 years evaluated risk assessments in the Office of Land Quality. Brian has a Bachler's of Science in Biology from Indiana University.

Zollitsch, Brenda is a Policy Analyst at the Association of State Wetland Managers. Brenda's areas of expertise include water resource policy, stormwater management, collaborative environmental policy implementation, and most recently, climate adaptation. At ASWM, Brenda conducts research and policy analysis on wetland and stream issues, manages projects; designs, coordinates and evaluates training for wetland professionals; coordinates webinars; publishes reports, articles and blogs; helps develop communications guidance; and is involved in conference planning and making presentations on ASWM's work to a variety of audiences. Brenda recently completed a national status and trends/state summaries project analyzing 50 state wetland programs across the United States and a national stream identification, delineation and mitigation study. She currently leads projects focused on increasing access to high quality wetland training and improving energy permitting to protect wetlands. Brenda received her PhD in Public Policy from the University of Southern Maine's Muskie School of Public Service in 2012, focusing on environmental policy and collaborative environmental management. She has her double Master's degree from Boston University and her bachelor's degree from the University of Maine. Brenda has 25 years of organizational leadership experience and a strong background in academic and action research, facilitation, training and communications. In addition to her work for ASWM, Brenda serves as adjunct faculty at the University of Southern Maine teaching public policy and assists water resource collaborations as a professional facilitator. Brenda is a Switzer Environmental Fellow and has been instrumental in developing regional approaches to stormwater management in the State of Maine