

Indicators for Narragansett Bay Region WORKSHOP AGENDA

Freshwater Flow

Friday, November 19 from 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

235 Promenade St, Providence, RI

Room 300

Project Goal: To develop a suite of specific environmental indicators that can be used to:

1. Describe Bay and watershed conditions in an easily understood format to use in communication with the public;
2. Ensure accountability and track progress in achieving environmental and management goals set forth in the integrated plan for the Narragansett Bay region;
3. Provide a basis for refining environmental monitoring strategies to ensure information needed for sustainable management of the Bay and its watershed is available.

Goals for this workshop:

1. Develop consensus around communicating **flow** to the public on Earth Day 2011
2. Identify monitoring and research priorities for advancing flow indicator

9:00 AM	Welcome and introductions	(Judith Swift)
9:05 AM	Project Goals	(Q Kellogg, Meg Kerr)
9:15 AM	Flow indicators used in other states/countries	(Lesley Lambert)
9:30 AM	What do we know about freshwater flow in the NB Region? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• RI Water Resources Board• RI DEM• Blackstone Coalition	(Kathy Crawley) (Alisa Richardson) (Peter Coffin)
10:30 AM	Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What do we want local decision makers to know about freshwater flow?• What can we say on April 22, 2011 about flow?• What is our future vision for an indicator on flow conditions?• What information/analysis do we need to support this vision?	(Judith Swift, Q Kellogg, Meg Kerr)
12:30 PM	Summarize Flow indicator <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What did we reach consensus on?• Do we agree to recommendations related to its continued development and use?	(Judith Swift)
1:00 PM	Adjourn	

(Lunch will be provided at an appropriate break during the meeting)