



Connecticut Flood Symposium
UConn School of Law
Hartford, CT
March 14, 2018

AGENDA:

- 8:00 am Registration and Coffee (breakfast provided)
- 8:30 am Welcome – CAFM Leadership
- 8:40 am Orientation, Symposia Topic and Process Overview
- 9:00 am Keynote Address: *Investing in Mitigation for a More Resilient United States*
- Nick Shufro, Assistant Administrator, Risk Management, Federal Insurance & Mitigation Administration, FEMA/DHS
- 9:45 am Break
- 10:00 am *Our Changing Climate*
- David Vallee, Hydrologist-in-Charge, NOAA National Weather Service
 - James O'Donnell, CIRCA Executive Director & Uconn Professor of Marine Sciences
- 11:15 am *Resiliency Initiatives in Vermont*
- Rebecca Pfeiffer, VT DEC Watershed Management Division
- 11:45 am Lunch with ASFPM Foundation Information (lunch provided)
- 12:45 pm Convene into Breakouts
(led by Matt Koch, Tim Hillier, Jerry Sparks & Bill Nechamen)
- 2:45 pm Break
- 3:00 pm Reconvene in General Assembly for Report-Outs and Group Discussions
- Group 1 – 3:00 – 3:15
 - Group 2 – 3:15 – 3:30
 - Group 3 – 3:30 – 3:45
 - Group 4 – 3:45 – 4:00
- 4:00 pm Wrap-Up, Action Plan and Next Steps
- 4:30 pm Adjourn to Ice Cream Social

Breakout Sessions

Registrants have been pre-assigned to breakout session groups by the Symposium's Steering Committee. Your breakout session will be indicated on your nametag by colored dot. Nametags will be available at registration the day of the Symposium.

Group 1. How can Connecticut address the challenges of adapting riverine and coastal infrastructure to climate change and the associated hazards such as more frequent flooding and sea level rise?

- Facilitator – Matt Koch, ASFPM Foundation

Group 2. How can communities begin to evaluate the option of elevating homes versus pursuing acquisition and/or retreat strategies in riverine and coastal areas?

- Facilitator – Tim Hillier, ASFPM Foundation

Group 3. How does Connecticut balance riverine floodway or coastal waterfront redevelopment and future risk in Connecticut's historic mill towns, harbors, and industrial corridors?

- Facilitator – Jerry Sparks, ASFPM Foundation

Group 4. How do local municipalities, non-profits, and state regulatory agencies re-emphasize natural and beneficial functions in Connecticut's densely developed coastal and riverine areas? (for example, living shorelines, floodplain restoration/enhancement, green infrastructure, adaptive designs)

- Facilitator – Bill Nechamen, ASFPM Foundation