

SUFFOLK COUNTY
PRESENTS

TURNING THE TIDE



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KEYNOTE SPEAKER
Basil Seggos
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Department of Environmental Conservation

Tuesday, September 17
8:00AM - 2:00PM
Stony Brook University

1500 Stony Brook Road
Stony Brook, NY 11790

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AGENDA for 9/17 of National Septic Week:

8-9am - Breakfast and Registration

9am- Welcome: Peter A. Scully, Deputy County Executive for Administration

9:10- Dr. Christopher Gobler, director of the Center for Clean Water Technology [CCWT], SBU

9:30- First Panel – Technological Initiatives (Dr. Christopher Gobler, moderator)

- Dr. Arjun Venkatesan, Assc Dir, CCWT: Emerging Contaminants of Concern: Challenges going forward – What we know and what we still don't know.
- Frank Russo, Assc. Dir, CCWT: Installation of Nitrogen Reducing Biofilters [NRB] in Suffolk County
- Alissa Cox, U.Rhode Island PhD Student: Impact of Sea Level Rise on Septic System Drainfields; Field Assessment and Evaluation of Vegetation-Based Mitigation Strategies
- Dr. Stefan Grimberg, Beacon Institute: Nutrient Recovery Work from Ocean Outfalls

10:30 - Break

10:45- Second Panel– Regulatory Constructs & Policy Pieces (Peter A. Scully, moderator)

- Ken Zegel, project manager: Suffolk County Subwatersheds Wasterwater Plan
- Adrienne Esposito, Citizens Campaign for the Environment: Redressing Emerging Contaminants of Concern
- John Cameron, executive director, Long Island Regional Planning Commission: Financial Prescriptions for Wastewater Treatment
- John Mastracchio, CFA Raftelis: Structuring a Countywide Wasterwater Management District

11:45- County Executive Steve Bellone: “Reclaim Our Water” Initiative Status Update

12:00- Third Panel – Stakeholder Status (Justin Jobin, moderator)

- Industry – Scott Samuelson, FujiClean USA: Made in the USA - Bringing Assembly of I/A OWTS to USA; Projections and Capacity for Suffolk County.
- Designer – Tom O’Dwyer, PE: I/A OWTS and the Opportunities for Engineers and Architects
- Pete Sabo, HydroAction: Expanding into new markets, compare and contrast of regulatory process in various jurisdictions; Projections and Capacity for Suffolk
- Bob DeLuca, CEO, Group for the East End: Getting the Policy Pieces in Place to Lay the Groundwork for Change
- Pat Halpin, Chairman, Suffolk County Water Authority: The Water Cycle

1:00- Lunch: Keynote- Basil Seggos, Commissioner, NYSDEC

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