



New Jersey Geospatial Forum General Meeting Agenda

Date: Thursday, September 23, 2021
Time: 10:00am to 12:00pm
Location: Virtual Meeting hosted by Microsoft Teams

Welcome

Constituency Updates & Task Force Reports

Open Discussion/Announcements:

All members are encouraged to bring a GIS issue or topic of discussion to the Forum at this time. Anyone making an announcement at the meeting must provide a written summary of their comments to the [NJGF Executive Committee Secretary](#) so that they can be included in the meeting minutes. Members with a GIS issue or topic can also contact their Executive Committee constituency representative between Forum meetings.

Scheduled Speakers and Presentation:

New Jersey, Harmful Algal Blooms (HABs) and GIS: How NJDEP uses GIS products to gather and disseminate information about HABs

Leigh Lager, GIS Specialist 1, NJDEP Bureau of Freshwater and Biological Monitoring
Ed Apalinski, GIS Specialist 1, NJDEP Bureau of GIS

Starting in 2017, the NJDEP Bureau of Freshwater and Biological Monitoring was asked to start responding to HABs. Early communication efforts involved static maps in pdf format and spreadsheets, which were labor intensive and not sustainable. As the years progressed, in order to efficiently manage the large amounts of data flowing into the department, it was necessary to take a new approach. The use of Survey123 and ArcGIS Online has been instrumental in streamlining how the NJDEP communicates HAB information both internally and externally.

Future Virtual General Meeting Dates:

- December 2, 2021 10:00am – 12:00pm
- March 3, 2022 10:00am – 12:00pm

Future Virtual Executive Committee Meeting Dates:

- December 2, 2021 1:00pm – 3:00pm
- January 6, 2022 10:30am – 12:00pm
- March 3, 2022 1:00pm – 3:00pm