

2022 MAPSS/MAWS NATURAL RESOURCES WORKSHOP

Wednesday, September 7, 2022

Wolfe's Neck Center for Agriculture & the Environment and Wolfe's Neck State Park

The 2022 MAPSS/MAWS Natural Resources Workshop will once again be held at Wolfe's Neck Center and Wolfe's Neck State Park in Freeport, Maine, on Wednesday, September 7, 2022 from 8:30 am until 3:00 pm. Check-in will be at the Mallet Barn 8:30 am to 9:00 a.m.

At the registration table, you will be given a location map to sites you are to visit, as well as additional technical handouts/keys. Assistants will be at all of the sites to point out the soil pits and other areas where you are to make observations (and determinations) and to answer questions. You have from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm to visit the sites. Station attendants will be visiting each of the stations along with regulators, prior to the workshop, so they will be able to answer most regulatory questions for workshop participants.

1. This year we have developed a fictional, proposed solar project that would be sited in a field and adjoining forest, with a proposed operations and maintenance (O&M) building that will require a septic system. Opportunities for this "project footprint" will be delineating the wetland boundary, delineating the hydric soil boundary, allowable site stormwater BMP's, what subsurface data is needed for stormwater design, and what data is needed to submit for a Site Law permit application. Are these soils "Prime Farmland" or "Soils of Statewide Importance"? Is there an NRPA stream determination(s)? Do shoreland zoning setbacks apply? Where are suitable septic system sites?
2. In the State Park there is a stream determination and opportunity to observe forested soil test pits in a natural (undisturbed) area.
3. Visit a site where the WNC is performing studies on Topsoil Regeneration.
4. Post-lunch panel discussion at the Mallet Barn of the sites and soils will include determinations by State and federal regulators and experts. **Lunch is on your own at the Mallet Barn.**

These are challenging sites that will generate lively discussion. Experts as well as State and Federal Regulators will be present to answer questions and provide valuable guidance for interpreting these difficult sites and soil conditions.

The cost of the workshop is \$45.00 for MAPSS or MAWS members or associate members and \$50.00 for all others. Regulatory staff, volunteer station monitors, and volunteer conference workers are exempt from the registration fee.

Always check www.mapss.org for the latest field conference updates and additional information.

DUE TO EVOLVING RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING COVID-19, MEETING ATTENDEES SHOULD FOLLOW MAINE CDC GUIDELINES.

Please send your checks, payable to MAPSS, to:
Gary Fullerton 104 Millturn Road
Limington, Maine 04049-3141

You may register on-line at:
<http://mainewetlands.org/upcoming-events>

Though registrations will be accepted the day of the workshop, for planning purposes, we ask that you register by September 1. Check www.mapss.org for background information and updates.

If you have any questions about the workshop, call Rodney Kelshaw at (207) 944-6776 (leave a message, he does not answer if it is an unknown number) or send him an e-mail at:

rodney@flycatcherllc.com

Orientation and Registration will be at Wolfe's Neck Center Mallet Barn on Wolfe's Neck Road in Freeport, Maine.

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Please remember, Freeport famously has poor mobile phone service so expect during the day to not have 100% service.

Name:

Address:

Phone Number: _____

E-mail: _____

Number Attending Workshop: _____ X \$45.00 = _____ X \$50.00 = _____

Total Due: \$ _____