

# N.C. Oyster Blueprint Workshop 2020

March 16-17, 2020

Beaufort Hotel  
2440 Lennoxville Road  
Beaufort, NC 28516

## Agenda

### Day One, March 16

- 9:30 am      *Registration and Coffee*
- 10:00 am      Introductions  
                 **Erin Fleckenstein**, North Carolina Coastal Federation
- 10:05 am      Welcome  
                 **Rett Newton**, Mayor of Beaufort
- 10:20 am      State Priorities for Oysters- Local Legislators  
                 **Sen. Harry Brown**, Senate Majority Leader, Jones and Onslow Counties  
                 **Sen. Norm Sanderson**, Carteret, Craven and Pamlico Counties
- 10:50 am      State Priorities for Oysters- North Carolina Department of Commerce  
                 **Kenny Flowers**, Assistant Secretary, North Carolina Department of Commerce
- 11:05 am      Agenda Overview  
                 **Whitney Jenkins**, North Carolina Coastal Reserve
- 11:15 am      Review of Blueprint Accomplishments to Date  
                 **Ted Wilgis**, North Carolina Coastal Federation
- 11:30 am      Vision for the Next Edition of the Blueprint  
                 *The vision of the Blueprint is to foster collaboration among partners, ensuring oysters in N.C. perpetuate a healthy and robust environment and economy.*  
                 **Todd Miller**, North Carolina Coastal Federation
- 11:35 am      Purpose of Considering Ecosystem Services in Next Edition of Blueprint  
                 **Dr. Brian Boutin**, The Nature Conservancy
- 11:45 am      Results of Stakeholder Survey  
                 **Leda Cunningham**, The Pew Charitable Trusts
- Ecosystem Services
  - Perceived Threats
- 12:00 pm      *Lunch*

- 1:00 pm Introduction to Blueprint Strategy Discussion
- 1:15 pm Sanctuary Strategy
- Background on Strategy- **Dr. Brandon Puckett**, North Carolina Coastal Reserve
  - Accomplishments, Lessons Learned and Proposed Actions- **Jason Peters**, North Carolina Division of Marine Fisheries
- 1:35 pm Large Group Discussion on Sanctuary Strategy
- 1:55 pm Cultch and Wild Harvest Strategy
- Background on Strategy- **Dr. Martin Posey**, University of North Carolina Wilmington
  - Accomplishments and Lessons Learned- **Jason Peters**, North Carolina Division of Marine Fisheries
  - Outline of Proposed Actions- **Ted Wilgis**, North Carolina Coastal Federation
- 2:15 pm Large Group Discussion on Cultch/Wild Harvest Strategy
- 2:35 pm Mariculture Strategy
- Background and Accomplishments on Strategy- **Tom Looney**, North Carolina Coastal Federation
  - Outline of Proposed Actions- **Ana Zivanovic-Nenadovic**, North Carolina Coastal Federation
- 2:55 pm Large Group Discussion on Mariculture Strategy
- 3:15 pm *Break*
- 3:30 pm Living Shorelines Strategy
- Background on Strategy- **Dr. Rachel Gittman**, East Carolina University
  - Accomplishments and Lessons Learned- **Tracy Skrabal**, North Carolina Coastal Federation
  - Outline of Proposed Actions- **Dr. Lexia Weaver**, North Carolina Coastal Federation
- 3:50 pm Large Group Discussion on Living Shoreline Strategy
- 4:10 pm Water Quality Strategy
- Background on Strategy- **Shannon Jenkins**, North Carolina Division of Marine Fisheries
  - Accomplishments and Lessons Learned- **Todd Miller**, North Carolina Coastal Federation
  - Outline of Proposed Actions- **Lauren Kolodij**, North Carolina Coastal Federation
- 4:30 pm Large Group Discussion on Water Quality Strategy
- 5:00 pm *Adjourn Day One*
- Evening: Happy Hour at Beaufort Hotel

## Day Two, March 17, 2020

- 8:00 am *Coffee and Gallery Walk*
- 8:30 am Recap Previous Day and Overview of Current Day's Agenda  
**Whitney Jenkins**, North Carolina Coastal Reserve
- 8:40 am Outreach/Education Strategy
- Background on Strategy- **Dr. Carol Price**, North Carolina Aquariums
  - Accomplishments and Lessons Learned- **Dr. Linda D'Anna**, Coastal Studies Institute and East Carolina University
  - Outline of Proposed Actions- **Leslie Vegas**, North Carolina Coastal Federation
- 9:00 am Large Group Discussion on Outreach Strategy
- 9:10 am Gallery Walk and Breakout Groups Explained
- 9:20 am Gallery Walk
- 9:50 am *Break and Move to Breakout Rooms*
- 10:05 am Breakout Group Discussion by Strategy
- Oyster Sanctuary Strategy- Carrot Island Room
  - Cultch and Wild Harvest Strategy- Town Marsh Room
  - Mariculture Strategy- Horse Island Room
  - Water Quality Strategy- Bird Shoal Room
- 11:20 am *Return to Large Meeting Space*
- 11:30 am Report out to Large Group
- 12:10 pm Overview of Next Steps  
**Erin Fleckenstein**, North Carolina Coastal Federation
- 12:30 pm *Adjourn*