



Wetland Mitigation Banking Workshop

In response to numerous requests from Forum members and the general public, the NYS Wetland Forum is bringing together Federal and State wetland regulators, conservation organizations, consultants, and business representatives to discuss the implementation of the Federal wetland mitigation bank guidelines in the State of New York; to facilitate discussion and understanding of the issues across regulatory and agency jurisdictions, and to develop a consensus approach to implementing wetland mitigation banks in New York.

Who Should Attend: Federal and State agency staff, consultants, attorneys, conservation organizations, planners, private industry and business representatives

Date: January 6, 2010
8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Location: NYSDEC Central Office
625 Broadway
Albany, NY 12233-4500

Directions: Directions to the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation office can be found on line at:
<http://www.dec.ny.gov/about/244.html>

Cost: \$10 per person, includes lunch

Capacity: Limited to the first **115 responders**.

Registration: **First come, first served.** Send check or money, payable to NYS Wetlands Forum, to:

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No on-line or e-mail registrations accepted. Check or money order made payable to the New York State Wetland Forum must be received on or before January 1, 2010.

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Agenda

MORNING SESSION: The morning program will educate workshop participants on ground rules and policies applicable to wetland mitigation banks in New York State.

- 8:00-8:15 Welcoming Remarks
- 8:15-8:30 NY Bank Status
- 8:30-9:00 Overview of the EPA's April 2008 Mitigation Rule
- 9:00-9:30 New York State Initiatives Related to Mitigation
- 9:30-10:00 Wetland Banking Instruments: Process, Required Components, Legal Issues
- 10:00-10:15 Break
- 10:00-10:30 Site Selection and Ownership Responsibilities

- 10:30-11:00 Service Area and Credit Calculation
- 11:00-11:30 Compliance: Monitoring, Accounting, Reporting
- 11:30-12:00 Other Mitigation Strategies

12:00-1:00 Lunch (catered) – Lunch will be unstructured to provide an opportunity for informal Q & A and discussion among program participants.

AFTERNOON SESSION: The afternoon will highlight case studies of wetland mitigation banks in New York, followed by a moderated question and answer session with the speakers.

- 1:00-1:20 Case Study 1: Basin-Wide Banking Instrument – Upper Susquehanna River Basin Coalition
- 1:20 – 1:40 Case Study 2: Adirondack Park Mitigation Bank (NYSDOT)
- 1:40-2:00 Case Study 3: Private Mitigation Bank – Roger Brandt, Rochester Cornerstone Group

Presentations will include: A description of the banking instrument including service area and credit calculation/release schedule, biology of the bank, current status, successes and lessons learned

2:00-4:00 Open Discussion and Panel

Speakers/Experts

Speakers and experts will include representatives from USEPA, NYSDEC, USACE, several private-sector experts, USFWS, NYSDOT, and local conservation groups. Check back for updates on speakers and topics.