

# Sussex County Community Exchange Workshop – Addressing Environmental Challenges and Sharing Lessons Learned

March 12, 2015

8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

University of Delaware Carvel Research and Education Center, Georgetown, Delaware

*The purpose of the Sussex County Community Exchange workshop is to highlight recently completed projects addressing issues related to water quality, green infrastructure, drainage / stormwater management, and flood mitigation; to share ideas and lessons learned; to discuss best practices; and to share products and services that might be applicable to – or replicable in – other communities.*

## **Agenda**

- 8:30 am Sign-in and Refreshments
- 9:00 Welcome and Workshop Overview (Ed Lewandowski)
- 9:15 Session I – Water Quality, Green Infrastructure, Drainage and Stormwater Management  
Community Drainage and Surface Water Management in Delaware (Frank Piorko)
- 9:45 Community Examples (*includes technical overview and community capacity/implementation brief*)  
1) Town of Greenwood – Cart Branch (Sara Esposito/John McDonnell)  
2) Town of Georgetown – Georgetown Vaughn Tax Ditch (David Baird/Gene Dvornick)
- 10:30 Break
- 10:45 Community Examples (*continued*)  
Water Quality, Green Infrastructure, Drainage and Stormwater Management  
3) City of Seaford – Virginia Avenue Stormwater Improvements (Charles Anderson/David Baird)  
4) Town of South Bethany Anchorage Canal Stormwater Retrofit Project (Chris Bason/George Junkin)
- 11:30 Discussion: Planning vs. Implementation- Understanding your Community's Capacity for Action
- 12:00 Working Lunch (lunch provided on site)
- Session II – Floodplain Management and Flood Mitigation  
Delaware Best Practices – Floodplain Management and Flood Mitigation (Mike Powell)
- 12:45 Community Examples (*includes technical overview and community capacity/implementation brief*)  
1) Bowers Beach – Local Floodplain Improvement Project (Mike Powell/Ron Hunsicker)  
2) Fenwick Island – Home Elevation (Merritt Burke)  
3) Laurel – Development / Planning for Flood Risk (Ed Lewandowski/Don Phillips)
- 1:45 Panel Discussion – Project Planning, Design and Funding Opportunities  
– NPS/319 and Community Water Quality Improvements Grants Program (Bob Palmer)  
– Financial Assistance Branch (Terry Deputy)  
– Surface Water Planning Grants (Jim Sullivan)  
– U. S. Department of Agriculture (Bill McGowan)  
– Hazard Mitigation Assistance Grant Programs (Ed Strouse)
- 2:30 Wrap Up / Adjourn