

Sustaining Innovation in New Jersey Climate Policy: Past, Present and Future

Friday, March 21, 2025
Livingston Student Center
84 Joyce Kilmer Avenue, Piscataway, NJ

Join us for a day-long dialogue regarding New Jersey's state climate policies, where New Jersey has to go to reach its climate goals, challenges to reaching those goals, lessons we can learn from others, and opportunities that we might explore with leading local and national experts.

AGENDA

Registration, Breakfast, Networking **8:00 am**

Welcome and Plenary 1

Contextualizing Climate Mitigation and Resilience in New Jersey **8:30 am**

Moderators: Lucas Marxen, NJ Climate Change Resource Center & Kim Scarborough, PSEG

Taking Stock: NJ's Climate Goals and Status

Marjorie Kaplan, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey

New Jersey Climate Innovations

Clinton Andrews, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey

Navigating the Emerging Federal - State Landscape for Accelerating Climate Mitigation, Adaptation and Resilience

Jesse Jenkins, Princeton University

Kathryn Zyla, Georgetown Climate Center

Plenary 2

Accelerating Climate Action Across New Jersey Transportation, Energy, and Building Sectors Within a Changing Federal Landscape **9:45 am**

Moderators: Alex Ambrose, NJ Policy Perspective & Kim Scarborough, PSEG

Panelists

Dale Bryk, Harvard University

Zoe Baldwin, Regional Plan Association

Jennifer Senick, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey

Kris Ohleth, Special Initiative on Offshore Wind

Mark Warner, Gabel Associates

Melissa Miles, New Jersey Environmental Justice Alliance

Break

11:00 am

Plenary 3 Executive Branch Reflections: A Conversation

11:15 am

Moderators: Ben Haygood, Isles, Inc. & Kim Scarborough, PSEG

Panelists

Christine Guhl-Sadovy, President, New Jersey Board of Public Utilities

Shawn LaTourette, Commissioner, New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection

Lunch

12:15 pm

Plenary 4 Legislative Reflections

1:00 pm

Moderators: Nicole Miller, MnM Consulting & Martha Maxwell Doyle, Partnership for the Delaware Estuary

Panelists

Honorable Bob Smith, Chair, New Jersey Senate Environment & Energy Committee

Honorable Andrew Zwicker, Chair, New Jersey Senate Legislative Oversight Committee

Plenary 5

1:45 pm

Accelerating Climate Resilience Within the Changing Federal Landscape

Moderators: Lisa Auermuller, Rutgers University & Martha Maxwell Doyle, Partnership for the Delaware Estuary

Panelists

Robert Kopp, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey

Joshua Saks, Georgetown Climate Center

Robert Freudenberg, Regional Plan Association

Matt von der Hayden, Stafford Township

Dominique Hawkins, Preservation Design Partnership

Nicholas Angarone, New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection

Break

3:00 pm

Plenary 6

3:15 pm

Levers to Support Decarbonization and Adaptation

Moderators: Rachael Shwom, Rutgers University & Martha Maxwell Doyle, Partnership for the Delaware Estuary

Panelists

Preethy Thangaraj, Governor's Office of Climate Action and the Green Economy

Kathleen Coviello, New Jersey Economic Development Authority

Helen Wiley, SBP and Insurance for Good

Amy Chester, Rebuild by Design

Martin Lockman, Columbia University

Summary & Discussion

4:30 pm

Karen O'Neill, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey

Adjourn

5:00 pm