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2022 SUMMER MEETING - SAVE THE DATE

We are pleased to announce that our next event will be on Wednesday, July 20 in Kingston, Rhode Island. The event will begin with our SNEC Annual Meeting (open to all attendees, members and non-members) which is when we will announce the results of our 2022-23 Board of Directors Election, reflect on the past year, and discuss our goals for the future of the Chapter. Following this, we will hear from members of the University of Rhode Island Cooperative Extension, Alissa Cox and Elizabeth Herron. Alissa is the director of the New England Onsite Wastewater Training Program (NEOSTP). She earned her PhD in URI's Laboratory of Soil Ecology and Microbiology (LSEM) and is a Clinical Assistant Professor in the Natural Resources Science department at URI. Elizabeth Herron is the Program Coordinator for URI's Watershed Watch Program, Rhode Island's largest volunteer water quality monitoring. She is actively involved in assessing water quality and watershed conditions throughout the state, including lakes, ponds, streams, salt ponds, and marine beaches. After the presentations, attendees will participate in a guided tour of the Wastewater Treatment Center and Peckham Farm. Mark your calendars and stay tuned for more information to come!

SAVE THE DATE!

2022 SNEC Annual Summer Meeting and Field Excursion

Wednesday, July 20

Watershed Conservation & Wastewater Management
URI Cooperative Extension, Kingston, RI



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REFLECTIONS FROM OUR 2022 SPRING INTERNS

Southern New England Chapter of Soil & Water Conservation Society



My Internship Experience:

- Gained experience in science outreach events
- Practiced skills in public speaking and graphic design
- Learned how non-profit organizations operate
- Made professional connections with people who work in the Environmental Science field

Trista

"My favorite part of interning with SNEC SWCS was planning and attending the Winter Conference"




Michael Cherkasky, SNEC Intern

"SNEC is a perfect opportunity for a smooth introduction into the world of non-profit organizations working to solve real world problems concerning climate change"

Examples of tasks:

- Attend conferences and create summaries of speakers, trivia game
- Brainstorm ways to increase membership, opportunities for students
- Update fact sheets about soil and water in NE

This spring, SNEC had three interns from UMASS, all of whom are working towards a degree in environmental studies and/or natural resources. Michael, Trista, and Jennifer helped plan and execute the March conference, create fact sheets highlighting local environmental issues in MA, CT, and RI, brainstormed ways to improve our new website, and recruit new members. They are all members of the SNEC Student Chapter and we hope they continue to stay connected with us as they move forward in their careers. Thank you for your hard work and best of luck in your future endeavors!

SWCS STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

Check out these opportunities from SWCS for college students that are interested in gaining experience, networking with professionals in the field, and enhancing their interview skills.

• Student Moderator Program

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If you've ever thought about experiencing the SWCS International Annual Conference in a hands-on, behind-the-scenes learning capacity, this program may be for you! SWCS will be selecting up to 10 full-time student members of SWCS, with a major in conservation and/or environmental affairs, to assist with breakout session moderation and room support.

• Top 10 Tricks to Ace Your Interview

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SWCS hosted its first Virtual Student Event in April. Staff highlighted resources and opportunities for students within SWCS and shared "Top 10 Tricks to Ace your Interview." SWCS member, Dr. Loutrina Staley from the Soil Health Institute, joined for the Q&A segment and shared some great advice for interviews!

SWCS CONFERENCE - REGISTRATION IS OPEN!



ELEVATING 77th SWCS International Annual Conference Denver, Colorado | July 31-August 3, 2022 *Conservation* **TO NEW HEIGHTS**

This year's conference theme, "Elevating Conservation to New Heights," embraces the mountainous region of the location while emphasizing the shared vision held by conservationists around the world to scale our work, repair ecosystems, and create resilient working lands. Registration is now open - secure your spot today! <https://www.swcs.org/events/conferences/2022-annual-conference/>

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JOB POSTINGS

North Central Conservation District

Job Title: Natural Resource Scientist

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Location: Vernon, Connecticut

Specific job responsibilities include, but are not limited to, field work, research, writing, and communication necessary to carry out NCCD programs and services. For example, the successful candidate will review development plans (natural resource impacts, erosion and sedimentation control, storm water management, etc.). Candidate will assist with inspections under the Construction Stormwater General Permit. Candidate will assist with the development of water quality projects, including grant applications and project management.

Natural Resources Conservation Service

Job Title: Engineering Technician (Civil)

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Location: Windsor, Connecticut

The Engineering Technician provides engineering assistance working with landowners, groups, and units of government to apply and maintain a variety of conservation practices in their area of assigned responsibility. Some duties include assisting with the designs, engineering practices and structures involved in a variety of NRCS programs, performing design computations and preparing estimates for quantities and costs, and assisting with the documentation of the type, scope, and intensity of field investigations and survey needs.

Waquoit Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve

Job Titles:

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- Summer Science School Teacher
- Seasonal Park Interpreter
- Seasonal Forest and Park Supervisor
- Stewardship Coordinator
- Research Associate

Location: Falmouth, MA

WBNERR is a living laboratory and regional resource at one of the northeast's most studied estuaries. They have several vacant positions, some seasonal and some permanent/year-round.

UPCOMING EVENTS

May
&
June

Cathy Angell - Presentation Coach & Trainer

- May 4- How to Plan and Facilitate an Engaging Virtual Meeting, 11-12:30, \$55
- May 26- 15 Strategies for Communicating Science and Data to Non-Scientists, 11-12:30, \$55
- June 7- How to Design and Deliver an Engaging Virtual Training, 10-noon, \$65

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May
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Ecological Landscape Alliance

"Soil - It's What Plants Crave": This free webinar is about organic soils, fertilizers, and soil amendments and will outline basic soil science and focus on how to maximize soil productivity with organic methods.

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July
20

SNEC Summer Meeting

Hear from URI Faculty and Cooperative Extension Staff about watershed conservation and wastewater technologies and tour the New England Wastewater Resource Center.

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July
31

SWCS Annual Conference

Elevating Conservation to New Heights
77th SWCS International Annual Conference
Denver, Colorado

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CEO



JOE OTTO
Special Projects and
Partnerships Director; Historian



DALE THREATT-TAYLOR
SWCS Chair and Southeast
Region Director

MAY 3

10 - 11 a.m.

Pavilion Café at the National Gallery of Art Sculpture Garden

On the Mall between 7th and
9th Street (closer to 9th Street)
and Constitution Ave NW and
Madison Drive NW



Food, drinks, and
tweets are your
own!

INTERNSHIPS

Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc (VHB)

Internship Title: Environmental Intern

Location: Providence, Rhode Island

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- Assist in the preparation of state and federal environmental permits for public and private-sector projects
- Research and interpret environmental laws and regulations
- Gather and interpret required environmental project-related data
- Effectively interact with numerous VHB staff, clients, and consultants to advance projects in a timely manner

Mass Audubon

Internship Title: Coastal Waterbird Field Intern/Traineeship

Location: South East Region/Cape Cod, Massachusetts

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The Coastal Water Bird Program at Mass Audubon is seeking to enroll shorebird monitoring trainees to gain experience and skills in endangered species management, coastal nesting bird ecology, field research and environmental education. Trainees will be mentored by Mass Audubon staff in the monitoring and management of Piping Plovers, Least and Common Terns, and American Oystercatchers. Activities will include construction and maintenance of protective fencing, wildlife tracking, educating the public about endangered species conservation, and research.

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