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Soil and Water Conservation Society

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SWCS Southern New England Chapter
2026 Conference and Annual Meeting
Thursday July 30th
UConn Storrs | 8 - 4:30



Speaker Spotlight



Mike Everhart, CPESC, QSM *EJ Prescott, Inc.*

Mike Everhart has been a dedicated member of EJ Prescott since 2009, currently serving as the Erosion Control & Stormwater Specialist. Throughout his national and regional tenure, Mike has shared his expertise at numerous conferences, as well as various Stormwater & Erosion Control workshops and seminars. His insights have been featured in Stormwater Solutions Magazine in 2019, 2022, and 2023.

Mike is actively involved in the industry, serving as a Vice President of the Northeast Chapter of the International Erosion Control Association and participating in several professional associations. He mentors students in the University of Prescott training program, guiding them through their studies and helping them advance their careers in the industry. With a diploma in Architectural and Civil Technologies and over 25 years of experience in grading, drainage, and erosion control design and consulting, Mike brings a wealth of knowledge and expertise to his role.

Presentation:

Protecting Watersheds through Erosion Control Methods

Sediment loss through erosion is one of the leading causes of water pollution, but it's a natural process that can be dealt with by using the correct erosion control methods. Vegetated cover, mulching, terracing, tracking, riparian buffers, sediment basins and erosion mats can help prevent sediment and attached pollutants from affecting natural resources. The effectiveness of these methods depends on the specific conditions of the area and the type of erosion that is occurring.

Watershed management is a comprehensive approach to managing water resources and protecting the environment. Erosion control methods play an important role by reducing the amount of sediment and other pollutants that enter streams and rivers. This presentation will cover several different methods of temporary and permanent erosion control. All options will center around creating sustainable vegetation and the importance of creating optimal soil conditions.

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Event Schedule

Thursday, July 30th, 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. EST.

Lunch, coffee breaks and workshops are included in the cost of registration.

Certificates of attendance will be provided to document six (6) hours of educational content for professional certification renewals.

Location: **UConn Storrs Campus Storrs CT 06268**

Information Technology Engineering (ITE) Building

No Vehicular Access to ITE - All vehicles must park at the [South Parking Garage](#) (\$16).

Parking subsidies available to students at all levels!

Contact keara@swcssnec.org or call (508) 945-3283



2026 Registration Rates

Register online via credit/debit card, PayPal or Google Pay.

- General Admission: \$125
- SWCS Member: \$75
- Student General Admission: \$50
- SWCS Student Chapter Member: \$25



Hands-on Soil Classification and Soil Microscopy Workshops are INCLUDED in the cost of registration. Workshop spaces are limited - reserve your spot today!

25% off for Groups of 3 or More who Register Together!!

- Group General Admission: \$93.75
- Group Student: \$37.50

Blue Light Special: \$190

Join the Soil & Water Conservation Society now at the \$115 Conservationist level and benefit immediately by registering for Soil Matters at the \$75 SNEC Member rate! We'll handle the SWCS membership paperwork. *This offer is for first-time SWCS members only.*

REGISTER NOW!

Exhibitors are Signing Up!

A variety of compelling exhibits will be on display, featuring innovative products that are driving progress in the field of soil and water conservation.

SWCS Southern New England Chapter's mission is to promote, educate and advance the science of soil, water and related resources conservation. We seek vendors of products and services that can help deliver solutions.

- Exhibitor Registration: \$500
 - Includes one 6ft table with drape and registration for one (1) person
- Non-Profit Exhibitor: \$250
- Additional Exhibit Staff: \$75 (2 max)

To sign up or ask about **opportunities for more active participation**, please contact Christine Odiaga at (508) 945-3283 or treasurer@secssnec.org.

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