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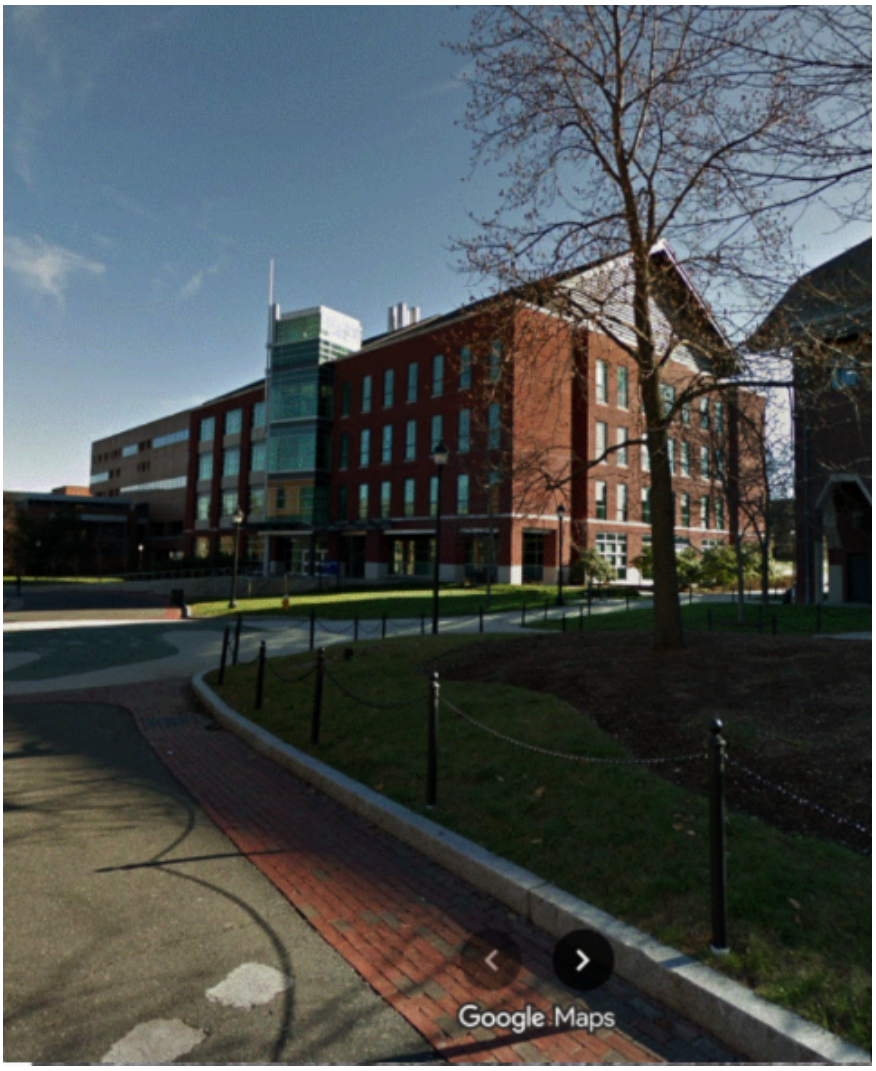


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The Southern New England Chapter of the Soil and Water Conservation Society invites you to **join us in our mission to promote, educate, and advance all phases of the science of conservation of soil, water, and all related resources.** We believe that by partnering with organizations that share our goals, we can work together towards a more sustainable future - but we need the support of the private sector to achieve those goals.

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# EVENT OVERVIEW

Healthy soils and soil-smart practices are integral to nature-based solutions, successful wetland restorations and productive fields & gardens. The Southern New England Chapter (SNEC) of the Soil & Water Conservation Society is excited to host ***SOIL MATTERS*** at the University of Connecticut Storrs Campus! Our program features several presentations of research findings by staff and students from UConn's College of Agriculture, Health and Natural Resources as well as UMass Department of Earth, Geographic, and Climate Sciences and the Environmental Studies Program at Southwestern University, TX.

Subject matter experts will share their knowledge about wetland restoration, resource protection, and smart management practices. *Soil Matters* also includes a pair of hands-on workshops on soil microscopy and soil classification, a series of short modules about innovative landscape construction materials, a table-top Rainfall Simulator demonstration, and more!

Poster presentations and the rainfall simulator runs will take place in the lobby outside the lecture hall (C80) on the Concourse Level during breaks and lunch, to accommodate attendees who will be participating in the soil classification workshop across campus.

### CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDITS

Certificates of Attendance will be provided via e-mail to document six (6) hours of educational content. The Soil Matters agenda will appear on the back of the Certificates to facilitate use in renewal of professional certifications.


We hope that you find value in attending ***Soil Matters*** and make the most of the opportunity to connect with fellow conservation professionals and students. Thank you for being part of this enriching experience!

# ABOUT US

The **Soil and Water Conservation Society (SWCS)** is a nonprofit scientific and educational organization for professionals who practice and advance the science and art of natural resource conservation. We believe sustainable land and water management is essential to the continued security of the earth and its people. Our goal is to cultivate an organization of informed, dynamic individuals whose contributions create a bright future for agriculture, the environment, and society.

**SWCS History:** In the late 1920s and following the devastating Dust Bowl of the 1930s, Hugh Hammond Bennett and other early leaders in conservation and ecology worked to educate farmers and landowners about the soil erosion crisis. These efforts led to the creation of the Soil Conservation Service (now the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service) and to the founding of the Soil and Water Conservation Society.

**Emerging Leaders Program:** Early career professionals need increased support, education, and networking opportunities to better tackle their roles in an ever-changing field and to support on-the-ground conservation projects. SWCS partnered with USDA-NRCS to host multiple cohorts of our year-long Emerging Leaders Program (ELP). SWCS also partnered with the Platform for Agriculture and Climate Transformation (PACT) to expand the ELP to connect the next generation of conservation professionals delivering Conservation Technical Assistance (CTA).

**Local Chapter Addressing Local Issues:** SWCS membership across the United States and Canada is organized into state and university chapters. SWCS chapters provide opportunities for education, training, and networking at a local level, where a diverse group of conservation-minded members meets to discuss and address the environmental challenges facing their particular landscapes and communities.

Serving Connecticut, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island since 1946, SWCS **Southern New England Chapter** carries out the Society's mission by organizing field tours, workshops, and educational conferences like SOIL MATTERS. We sponsor the Envirothon programs in the three states we serve, as well as the SWCS UMass Chapter, and we offer registration rates to all students, with deeper discounts for student members of any SWCS chapter.

## Working together to foster the science and art of natural resource conservation.

The Southern New England Chapter welcomes *Bluelight Special* member Savannah Kitchin, Wetlands Agent for the Town of Columbia!

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Southern New England Chapter (SNEC)

# Agenda

| | ITE Concourse Lobby | ITE C80 Lecture Hall (Concourse Floor) | ITE Upstairs Classroom A | ITE Upstairs Classroom B |
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| 9:00 | | • **Welcome & Opening Remarks** (E. Perko, SNEC Connecticut Representative / APT) | | |
| 9:10 | | • **Nature-based Solutions and Soil Health** (D. Savageau, CT Assoc Conservation Districts) | | |
| 9:20 | | • **The Importance of Aggregate Stability to Soil Health** (A. Magistrali, UConn) | | |
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| 10:30 | • **Rainfall Simulator** | | | *Hands-On Workshop*: **Soil Health 3-Ways – An Overview** (Bosch, CT NOFA) Bring your own samples - microscope provided to project your slides onto the screen |
| 10:40 | • **Poster Presentation** | **Break** | | |
| 10:50 | | | | |
| 11:00 | | • **A Guide to Collaborative Tidal Wetland Migration Pathway Protection** (J. West, Narraganset Bay NERR) | *'Open-Door' Workshop:* **Innovative Landscape Construction Materials** (T. Will, Read Custom Soils) - four (4) 15-minute modules | |
| 11:10 | | | | |
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| 11:30 | | • **Salt Marsh Restoration through Sediment Nourishment in MA** (A. Paterson, EA) | | |
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| 12:10 | • **Rainfall Simulator** | **Lunch – First Floor** | | |
| 12:20 | • **Poster Presentations** – schedule pending | • **Buffet tables** are to the right at the top of the main staircase (see F&B on First Floor plan). | | |
| 12:30 | | • **Tables and Chairs for dining** are scatered around both floors (see T&C on both Floor plans) | | |
| 12:40 | | | | **SNEC Annual Chapter Meeting – Non-Members Welcome** |
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| 13:30 | | • **Factors Affecting Soil Carbon Accumulation in MA Forests** (J.H. Lee, UMass) | • **Protecting Watersheds through Erosion Control Methods** (M. Everhart, EJ Prescot) | |
| 13:40 | | | | |
| 13:50 | | • **Biosolids Land Application and Phosphorus Cycling** (E. Joshi, Southwestern University) | • **Being Creative with Multi-Use Riparian Buffers** (G. Patsun, North Central Conservation District) | |
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| 15:10 | ECI Approved PDHs | • **Ashes to Ashes: Soil Communities and Ecosystem Functioning** (M. Maltz, UConn) | **Development of Spodosols in Southern New England Soils** (J. Durand, GZA Geoenvironmental) | |
| 15:20 | | | | |
| 15:30 | | • **Describing Hydric Soils and Applying Hydric Soil Indicators** (M. McKee, NRCS) | | |
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| 15:50 | | • **Closing Remarks** (C. Odiaga + K. McAuliffe (UMass / SNEC) | | |
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| Plant and Soil Health Center (PSHC) |
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| A shutle (included) will transport workshop participants to the Plant and Soil Health Center |
| **10:40** **Depart ITE**, short walk to pick-up spot, shutle → PSHC |
| **11:00** • *Hands-On Workshop* (~ 40 min): **Soil Texture and Color in the Field** (A. Neupane, UConn) |
| • Tour (~20 min): **Plant and Soil Health Center Laboratories** (N. Goltz, UConn) |
| **12:20** **Pick-Up** at PSHC, shutle → ITE |
| **13:10** **Depart ITE**, short walk to pick-up spot, shutle → PSHC |
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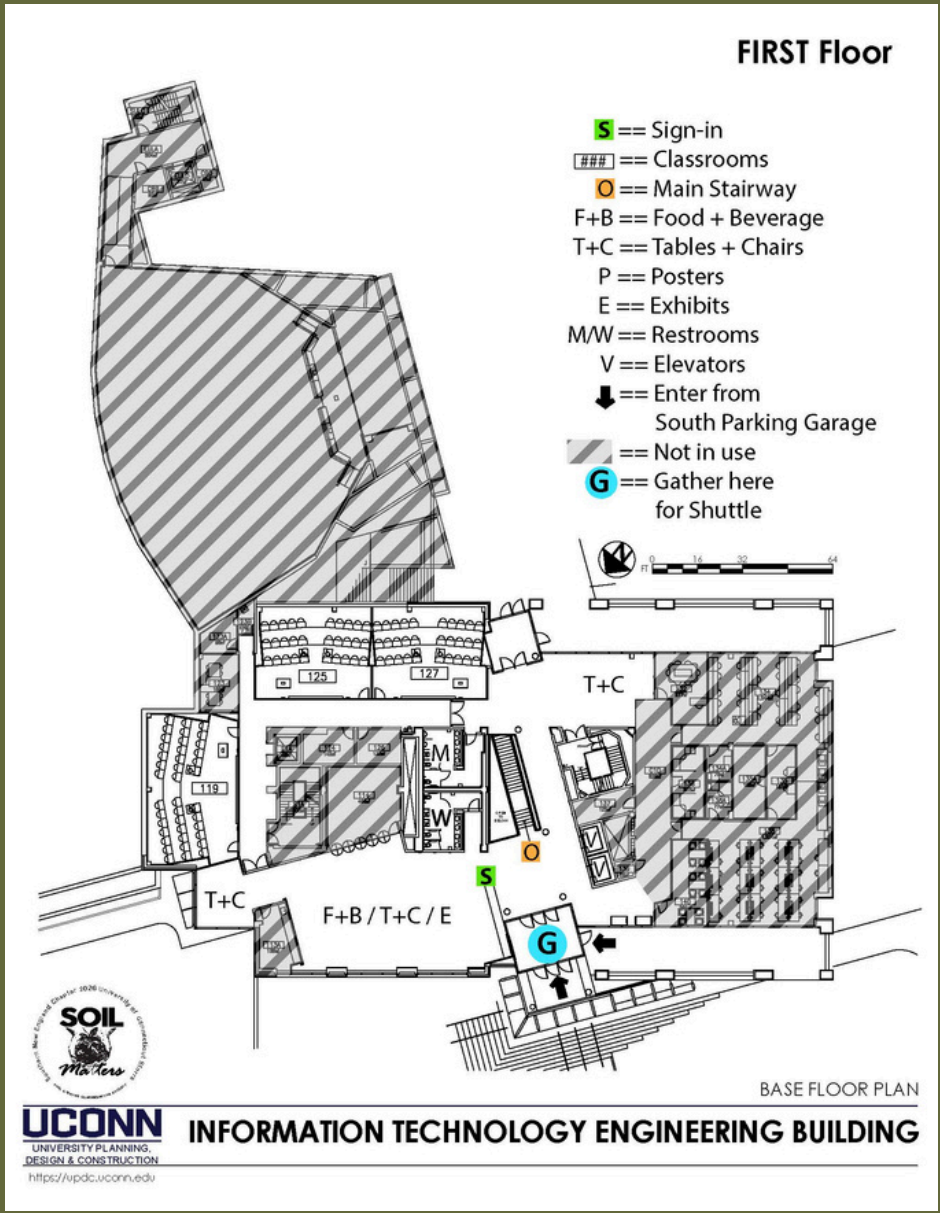


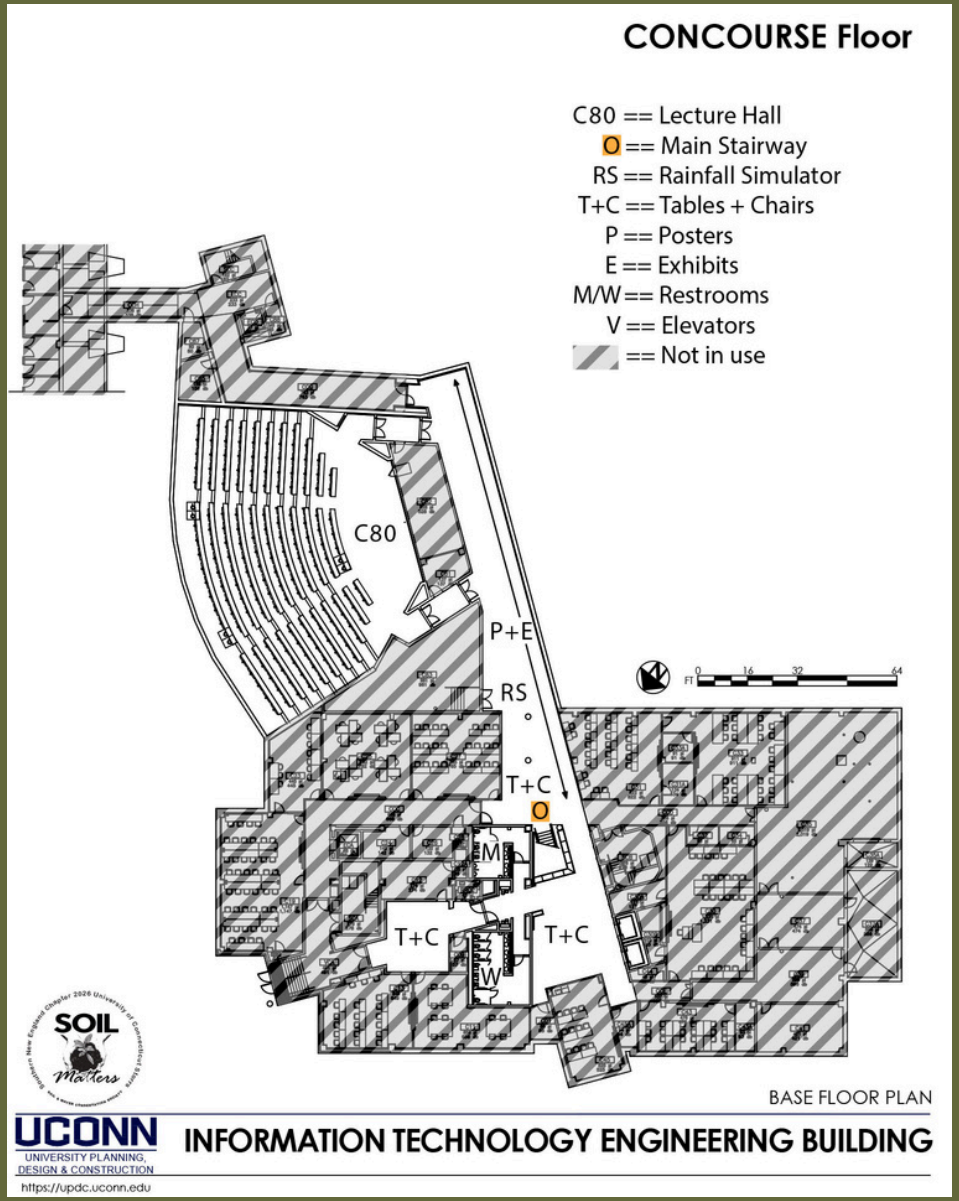

# *Workshop:* Soil Texture and Color in the Field

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**Avishesh Neupane** - Avishesh Neupane, Ph.D. is an Assistant Extension Professor of Soil Science **at UConn** and Director of the **Soil Nutrient Analysis Laboratory.** His Extension work focuses on practical soil health and translating lab results into clear, science-based recommendations for Connecticut and New England growers and gardeners, with an emphasis on nutrient stewardship to protect local waterways. His research on how carbon and nutrients move through working soils informs these recommendations and keeps them grounded in current science. His outreach programs cover soil fertility, compost, fertilizer management, and crop, pasture, and lawn amendments. Dr. Neupane holds a Master of Environmental Science from Yale and a Ph.D. from UCLA.

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# *Lab Tour:* George Leigh Minor Plant and Soil Health Center

Participants of the Soil Texture and Color in the Field will be offered a guided tour of the newly established George Leigh Minor Plant and Soil Health Center. During the visit, participants will see the Soil Nutrient Analysis Laboratory and Plant Diagnostic Lab workflows and learn how the Center brings together plant, soil, turf, and home garden services in one location to support public outreach, diagnostics, teaching, and applied research.

**Dr. Nick Goltz** - Dr. Nick Goltz is the Associate Director of the **George Leigh Minor Plant and Soil Health Center**, the Director of the UConn Plant Diagnostic Laboratory and Home Garden Education Office, and the Integrated Pest Management Coordinator for the state of Connecticut.

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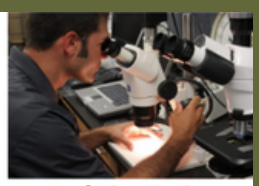
Home and Garden Education Center

Plant Diagnostic Center

Soil Nutrient Analysis Lab



Turf Diagnostics Lab

# Workshop: Soil Health 3-Ways – An Overview

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**Monique Bosch** - Monique works as Soil Health Lead for **Northeast Organic Farming Association of Connecticut** and runs a worm composting business with her son Justin; Wiggle Room. She also teaches Soil Health for Brooklyn Botanic Garden and Berkshire Botanical Garden. In the last 20 years she has worked with volunteers and students to build over 40 edible school and community gardens, and a two-acre urban farm in Bridgeport. She studied 'The Soil Food Web' under Dr. Elaine Ingham, and teaches microscopy, soil health and composting to farmers and organizations. Through microscopy and test trials, Monique explores the relationship between living soil and healthy, nutritious food.

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# Open-Door Workshop: *four - (4) 15-minute modules*
## Innovative Landscape Construction Materials

**Tony Will** - Tony earned his undergraduate degree in Business Management at UNH and his MBA from Northeastern University. He has spent his 45+ year career in the landscape construction materials industry as the owner/manager of A. A. Will Sand & Gravel and, later, **Read Custom Soils**. He sold Read to the A.D. Makepeace Company in 2011 and has stayed on with the new ownership. He is a self-taught soil expert and is available for Lunch & Learn presentations throughout New England.

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# Presentation: The Importance of Aggregate Soil Stability to Soil Health and Tabletop Rainfall Simulator

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**Dr. Amelia Magistrali** - Dr. Amelia Magistrali is the Associate Extension Educator in Soil Health with **UConn Extension**, focusing on regenerative and agroecological farming systems that enhance soil health and ecosystem services. Since joining UConn in 2024, she has developed statewide programs supporting climate-resilient soil management for diverse growers. Dr. Magistrali holds a PhD from Newcastle University and brings over a decade of experience working with farmer networks to advance sustainable agriculture.

This presentation of different management strategies for soil health, particularly in the context of adapting to weather variability will be coupled with a rainfall simulator demonstration that will take place throughout the day, replicating infiltration rate and runoff from soils managed with different impacts on soil physical properties. The content of the presentation will cover principles and benefits of soil health as well as how management affects soil health. An emphasis will be placed on how these strategies impact soil physical properties, particularly aggregate stability, using **examples that will be demonstrated by the rainfall simulator, including: forest soil, bare agricultural soil, lawn soil, no-till agricultural soil, and mulched garden.**

# Presentation: Salt Marsh Restoration through Sediment Nourishment in Massachusetts

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**Alex Patterson** - Alex, CERP, is a Senior Ecologist at **EA Engineering, Science, and Technology, Inc., PBC.** He has over 15 years of multi-disciplinary experience in the planning, design, permitting, and oversight of ecological restoration and habitat management projects in estuarine, freshwater, and terrestrial systems. He has served as project manager and senior ecologist for scores of projects, primarily in the Northeastern United States, including salt marsh habitat restoration, tidal restoration and other coastal resilience improvements, cranberry bog and other freshwater wetland restorations, dam removals, stream bank restorations, coastal and freshwater dredging, and habitat management projects, among others.

# Presentation: Nature-based Solutions and Soil Health

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**Denise Savageau** - Denise Savageau is an environmental planner with over 35 years working in Connecticut. She started her career working for the Hartford County Soil and Water Conservation District and then served as the Conservation Director for the Town of Greenwich for 20 years. Now “retired," she is an active volunteer at the local, state, and national level on soil and water conservation, where she serves as Chair of the Connecticut River Coastal Conservation Districts and is currently President of the **Connecticut Association of Conservation Districts** (CACD) and Chair of Connecticut’s Council on Soil and Water Conservation. She represents Connecticut on the National Association of Conservation Districts and is the NACD Northeast Region Chair. Her focus is on soil health, watershed management, wetlands protection, drinking water supply protection, local food systems, nature-based solutions that address climate change and biodiversity loss, and the intersection of housing and environmental justice policy. She lives in Old Lyme with her husband, a professional wetland scientist and avid birder, who shares her passion for the environment.

# Presentation: Biosolids Land Application and Phosphorus Cycling

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**Eureka Joshi** - Dr. Eureka Joshi is an Assistant Professor of Environmental Studies at **Southwestern University**. She holds a Ph.D. in Environmental Science from the University of Idaho. For her doctoral research, she assembled a network of collaborators in northern Idaho, including five regional wastewater reuse facilities, Native American tribes, state and federal agencies, and adjacent landowners to conduct research on forest responses to municipal reclaimed water. She addressed questions about the impacts of reclaimed water on forest growth and vegetation diversity, drainage and soil nutrient leaching potential, and soil biological responses. As a postdoctoral fellow at Trinity College, Hartford, she collaborated with a regional wastewater treatment facility and a local farm in New Hampshire to study the impacts of biosolids land application on soil nitrogen and phosphorus cycling. Currently, she continues to explore how biosolids and reclaimed water land application affect soil health in Texas agroecosystems.

# Presentation: Being Creative with Multi-Use Riparian Barriers

**Ginny Patsun** - Ginny is a soil conservation specialist with the **North Central Conservation District** and is a CT licensed arborist. Ginny found her passion in agroforestry while serving in the United States Peace Corps in Zambia and is now practicing and promoting temperate agroforestry practices in Connecticut.

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# Presentation: Development of Spodosols in Southern New England Soils: Influence of Vegetation and Other Environmental Factors in the Podzolization Process

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**Jamie Durand** - Jamie Durand is Assistant Principal at **GZA GeoEnvironmental, Inc.** Mr. Durand is the Group Leader for Ecological Services in the Metro-Boston Region. Jamie is a Professional Wetland Scientist (PWS), New Hampshire Certified Wetland Scientist, Professional Soil Scientist, and Certified Associate Wildlife Biologist. Jamie manages complex multidisciplinary projects in the New England Region for energy, utility, and renewable energy projects. Jamie has performed environmental studies for electric transmission, renewable energy/ offshore wind, and natural gas pipeline projects throughout the Northeast.

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# Presentation: A Guide to Collaborative Tidal Wetland Migration Pathway Protection

**Jennifer West** - Jennifer West has been the Training and Engagement Coordinator with the **Narragansett Bay Research Reserve** since 2005. In this position, she develops and delivers training events and technical assistance programs for local decision-maker audiences on topics related to water quality, habitat protection, and climate change. Jennifer has expertise in program design, management, and evaluation; communicating science to diverse audiences; meeting facilitation; and planning and implementing collaborative methods for engaging stakeholders in successfully addressing environmental issues. Jennifer has an MS in Environmental Sciences from the University of Rhode Island and a BS in Environmental Biology from the State University of New York College at Oneonta.

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# Presentation: Factors Affecting Soil Carbon Accumulation in Massachusetts Forests

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**Jin Ho Lee** - Jin Ho Lee earned his PhD from Michigan State University and his MS and BS from Gyeongsang National University, South Korea. His work has focused on understanding the mechanisms of soil carbon processing and sequestration using spatial approaches (X-ray μCT 3D imaging, zymography, root scanning) and isotopic tracing techniques in crop and grassland ecosystems. He currently leads a research project exploring statewide soil carbon pools in Massachusetts forests. He is currently a postdoc for the **Massachusetts Geological Survey, UMass Amherst.**

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# Presentation: Soil Communities and Ecosystem Function

**Mia Rose Maltz** - Mia Maltz is an Assistant Professor at the U**niversity of Connecticut** in the **Plant Science and Landscape Architecture Department.** Mia is a mycologist and soil microbial ecologist working at the interface of community ecology, biogeography, and mycology. Her work broadly focuses on community responses to soil disturbance, which feed back to influence plant and fungal community structure and ecosystem functioning.

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# Presentation: Protecting Watersheds through Erosion Control Methods

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**Michael Everhart** - Mike Everhart, CPESC, QSM, 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: Describing Hydric Soils and Applying Hydric Soil Indicators

**Morgan McKee** - Morgan McKee is a certified professional Soil Scientist who has been working as a Soil Scientist with the **Natural Resources Conservation Service** since early 2023. Prior to being a Soil Scientist, she spent 7 years in NRCS field offices in Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Vermont, and Maryland as a Soil Conservationist, working with farmers and forest landowners to improve their land. She currently works to provide soil science training and technical guidance to NRCS staff, customers, and partners, as well as completing wetland determinations and on-site soil assessments. Prior to working for the agency, Morgan worked as a consultant, collecting wetland inventory data throughout coastal Louisiana.

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## Poster: Herring River Tidal Restoration Project

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**Christine A. Odiaga** - Christine is living her dream, “washed ashore” for good and working a super-cool job on Cape Cod with **Friends of Herring River, Wellfleet/Truro, Inc.** Prior experience includes ten years of outreach and education as a MassDEP Wetlands Circuit Rider, three years as a municipal Conservation Agent/Stormwater Coordinator and six years of construction site sampling and monitoring on the Central Artery/Tunnel Project (fascinating!!). She took advantage of the Cooperative Education Program at Northeastern University and considers that experience as important as classes. She joined SWCS in 2013 and served as RI Director, then worked for two years as Executive Director before assuming her current role as Treasurer.

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## Poster: Demonstrating Summer Cover Crop Soil Health Benefits

**Gabriella DiNardi** - Ella is the Summer Soil Health Intern working with **UConn Extension** directly under Dr. Amelia Magistrali. This summer she has been planting cover crops at the UConn Research Farm to determine the benefits of cover cropping on soil health. Ella is in her final year of Environmental Science undergraduate studies at UConn and is hoping to move on to graduate school to pursue the field in a more specialized lens.

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# Poster: Fertility Management in High Organic Matter Systems

**Josenia Lopez** - Josenia Lopez is an undergraduate student at the **University of Connecticut** majoring in Plant Science with a concentration in Soil Science. She is an undergraduate research assistant in Dr. Mia Maltz's Mycology Lab, where she studies soil and fungal ecology. Josenia is also an Earth Team volunteer with the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS). Her interests include soil health, soil remediation, and sustainable agriculture.

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# Poster: Soils under treatment: Evaluating the influence of fungal biomass on the recovery of a long-term contaminated soil from New England

**Paulette Goyes** - Paulette Goyes obtained her Bachelor's degree in Biology and Applied Ecology and a Master's in Microbiology by the Universidad San Francisco de Quito in Ecuador. Her studies have involved the search and selection of fungal strains for plastic degradation, cigarette filters remediation, and the creation of materials for the filtration of contaminants. She is now a Ph.D. student at the **University of Connecticut,** and under the advice of Dr. Mia Maltz, she is studying fungi and their interactions with pollutants in soils.

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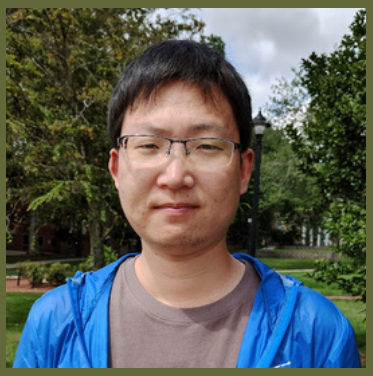
# Posters: Biochar for Climate Mitigation in U.S. Midwest Cropping Systems: A Case Study and Adaptive Strategies for Reducing Yield-Scaled Nitrate Leaching in the U.S. Midwest.



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**Yakai Wang** - Dr. Yakai Wang is a postdoctoral researcher in the **Department of Natural Resources and the Environment, UConn,** specializing in agroecosystem modeling, climate change, and land–atmosphere interactions. His research integrates process-based ecosystem models, remote sensing, solar-induced chlorophyll fluorescence, and machine learning to investigate crop productivity, carbon and water cycling, and agricultural resilience to climate extremes. He has extensive experience in regional and global environmental data analysis, model development, and climate-smart agricultural assessment.

*Yakai Wang will be giving an overview of his study on nitrogen leaching dynamics, as well as introducing another project on Biochar's impact on climate mitigation. The biochar research was conducted by Ph.D. student Yogesh Kumar (yogesh.kumar@uconn.edu).*

*Yakai Wang will be giving an overview of each project, describing the research process, and experiences working within the research team, shown below.*

# Thank you to our 2026 Exhibitors!

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Parking payment must be made upon entry for the expected duration of the visit ($16). Payment options: online via PayByPhone app or Flowbird app, or at the kiosk upon arrival.

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| • **From Points North (I-84)**<br>• I-84 to Exit 68<br>• Follow signs on Route 195 South to Storrs (Mansfield)<br>• Turn Right onto Route 44 West<br>• Turn Left onto Discovery Drive<br>• Straight at the intersection with North Eagleville Rd. (Rt. 430)<br>• In the roundabout, take the first exit onto Alumni Dr.<br>• Turn left onto Jim Calhoun Way<br>• Enter South Parking Garage on the right | **From Points South (I-95, I-395, US-6, SR-32)**<br>• Follow signs on Route 195 North to Storrs (Mansfield)<br>• Turn Left onto South Eagleville Road<br>• Turn right onto Jim Calhoun Way<br>• Enter South Parking Garage on the right |