

## 2026 NH Coastal Climate Summit – Pop-up session notes

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Name (Affiliation)	Event Information
Makayla Edgecomb (City of Dover)	Saturday, May 30, 10am – Dover Conservation Commission and Open Lands Committee are hosting a fish ladder event with NH Fish and Game at the Downtown Waterfall at Fish Ladder Park (rain or shine)
Julia Peterson (NH Sea Grant)	The Half-Written Play created by UNH’s PowerPLAY applied theater program has two showings coming up: <a href="#">June 7 at Strawberry Banke</a> ; <a href="#">June 24 at York Land Trust</a> . This program has been designed to offer participants the opportunity to explore how communities can collaborate better to help guide climate change adaptation policies at the local level. Will also be presented at the July 23 <sup>rd</sup> Full CAW meeting.
Katie Hillman (Great Bay Stewards)	Great Bay Changemaker program – several upcoming events: June 16: PFAS panel; watershed walks over the summer; annual bootcamp in the fall. <a href="#">MORE INFO</a>
Yulia Rothenberg (Seacoast Permaculture NH)	June 28: <a href="#">16th Annual Farm-a-Q</a> at Tuckaway Farm. Day of celebration, education, and delicious local food.
Greg Federspiel (TownGreen)	<a href="#">TownGreen</a> is hosting its first climate summit in Rockport, MA – September 10
Hannah Volk (NH Sea Grant)	<a href="#">Picturing Rising Tides</a> initiative to document high-tide flooding impacts will be held in late October 2026

### FUNDING AND ASSISTANCE OPPORTUNITIES

Name (Affiliation)	Funding/Assistance Opportunity	Deadline
Patrick Jackson (Underwood Engineers)	<a href="#">Clean Water State Revolving Fund</a> – \$100k for wastewater and stormwater projects	6/1 (preapplications)
Becca Katz (NHDES)	<a href="#">NHDES Coastal resilience grants</a> opportunity for planning, design, and capacity building – 15-45k; NH coastal zone municipalities; Contact: <a href="mailto:rebecca.a.katz@des.nh.gov">rebecca.a.katz@des.nh.gov</a>	6/5
Abigail Lyon (PREP)	<a href="#">Piscataqua Region Environmental Assessment (PREPA) grants</a> application window is open; 5-25k; Contact: <a href="mailto:Abigail.Lyon@unh.edu">Abigail.Lyon@unh.edu</a>	6/16
Rayann Dionne (Seabrook Hamptons Estuary Alliance (SHEA))	<a href="#">Funding opportunity</a> for communities adjacent to the Hampton-Seabrook estuary for planning and outreach projects related to estuary management plan, 5-15k; click <a href="#">here</a> for the RFP; Contact: Colette Tweeddale (SHEA) at <a href="mailto:ctweeddale@shea4nh.org">ctweeddale@shea4nh.org</a>	6/26

Annie Cox (Piscataqua Region Estuaries Partnership (PREP))	<a href="#">Project Builder</a> applications are open for assistance with developing a project idea/proposal; Contact: <a href="mailto:Annie.Cox@unh.edu">Annie.Cox@unh.edu</a>	7/1
Katrin Kasper (Clean Energy NH)	<a href="#">Clean Energy NH</a> technical assistance is available to help access funding for clean energy in NH; Contact: <a href="mailto:katrin@cleanenergynh.org">katrin@cleanenergynh.org</a>	

## RESOURCES AND OTHER TOPICS MENTIONED

Phillip Jutras (NH Healthy Climate)	Highlighted that the NH lakes region is very concerned about chemicals and bacteria in lakes; also saw coastal beach closures due to bacteria last summer. Highlighted <a href="#">NH Healthy Climate</a> resources.
Meghan Massaua (Our Living Edge, LLC)	Our Living Edge: We are living at the edge of a massive shift. Changemakers are navigating burnout, fractured teams, and a world that keeps demanding more, often with fewer resources and less certainty than ever before. The strain is real: with over 15 years guiding groups and organizations through complexity, I can help. I support building cultures where hard things can be named, people have permission to be fully human, and new collaborative solutions can emerge. If you need support with facilitation, strategic planning, stakeholder/community engagement, organizational culture, team cohesion, retreats, or mindfulness and resilience in the workplace, please contact me at <a href="mailto:Meghan@ourlivingedge.com">Meghan@ourlivingedge.com</a> .
Lynn Vaccaro (Great Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve)	Updating resources within the <a href="#">NH Salt Marsh Plan</a> . Thinking about how to sustain tidal marshes with climate impacts and what it means for our marshes long term.
Jennifer Jacobs (UNH)	Opportunity to work with upcoming UNH engineering students doing senior projects – reach out to suggest potential project ideas
Semra Aytur (UNH)	<a href="#">ENACTS project</a> on nature-based solutions, working in Manchester, NH, and Providence, RI; also highlighted NH Healthy Climate
Nik Charov (Wells NERR)	Highlighted science based are that inspires community activism – <a href="#">Unless Something Goes Terribly Wrong</a> documentary
Tim Mallette (NH Department of Transportation)	Shoutout about DOT culvert rehab project near NH 85 and 101 – 3D printed diffuser project with UMaine; diffuser conveys Rocky Hill Brook under NH 85
Katri Gurney (UNH/NH Sea Grant)	Recruiting participants for focus groups and interviews this summer – researching local businesses’ perceptions of water
Shanika Amarakoon (ERG)	Leading environmental justice assessment for state of NH; pulling together focus groups and listening sessions – more info to come.
Susan Richman (Durham Citizen Advisory Committee)	Highlighted single use plastic bans in municipalities and other efforts to reduce plastic in waterways
Amy Sauber (PREP)	<a href="#">Digital communications toolkit for stormwater</a> is available for use!