

Mohawk Watershed Symposium - 2013
22 March 2013, College Park, Union College, Schenectady NY

Friday 22 March 2013

Oral session (College Park) - Registration and Badges required

- 8:00 8:25 Registration, Coffee. College Park**
- 8:25 8:30 Introductory remarks**
J. Cockburn, Geography Department, University of Guelph
- 8:30 8:56 The long-story: Reconstructing flood frequency along the Mohawk through the last 1000 years (invited)**
D.T. Rodbell, Geology Department, Union College
- 8:56 9:11 Mitigation of Natural Dam Hazards: a Study of the Mill Valley Beaver Dam Failure**
H. R. Bartholomew and M. Quinn, Dam Concerned Citizens Inc.
- 9:11 9:26 A LIDAR Analysis of Bed and Bank Patterns at Curved Segments Along the Mohawk River**
A.M. Ghaly, Department of Engineering, Union College
- 9:26 9:41 An Open Standards Framework for Synoptic Evaluations of the Mohawk Watershed: With examples in the Upper Schoharie Watershed**
R. Lopez-Torrijos and T. Bondelid
- 9:41 10:07 Natural Channel Restoration after Irene and Lee - a Schoharie County Opportunity (invited)**
W.A. VanDeValk, NRCS Area Engineer - Schoharie, NY
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- 10:07 10:47 COFFEE and POSTERS (see below for listing)**
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- 10:47 11:13 ClimAID: How climate science helps us understand and prepare for climate change in New York State (invited)**
A. Stevens, Environmental Research, NYSERDA
- 11:13 11:28 The Tropical Storm Irene "Mega Flood" in The Catskills: Why it Was Not an Unprecedented Event and Why Cataloging Past Events Will Help us Attain a Weather Ready Nation**
S.N. DiRienzo, NOAA/NWS Weather Forecast Office
- 11:28 11:43 USGS Ice Jam and Flood Monitoring: Mohawk River, Schenectady, NY**
G. Wall, C. Gazoorian, and J.I. Garver
- 11:43 12:09 NYCDEP Dam Safety and the Reconstruction of Gilboa Dam (invited)**
J.H. Vickers, Chief Western Operations Division, Bureau of Water Supply, NYC DEP
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- 12:09 13:39 - LUNCH and Poster Sessions - Lunch at College Park**
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- 13:39 14:05 River Herring: Past, Present, Future? (invited)**
K.E. Limburg, State University of New York, College of Environmental Science and Forestry in Syracuse, NY
- 14:05 14:31 An Introduction to Water Quality Issues in the Upper Mohawk (invited)**
S. Botsford, NYS-DEC Region 6 Water Engineer
- 14:31 14:46 Microbial water quality monitoring of the Hudson River: influence of the Mohawk and emerging policy challenges in New York State**
G. O'Mullan, A. Juhl, T. Brown, and J. Lipscomb
- 14:46 15:01 Targeting Conservation Practices To Critical Areas**
J. Moore, Stone Environmental Inc.
- 15:01 15:27 Stream ecosystem changes in Schoharie Creek tributaries following Hurricane Irene and Tropical Storm Lee (invited)**
M. Cornwell, P. Nichols, B. Brabetz, M. Meritet, I. Bach and B. German
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- 15:27 16:07 COFFEE and POSTERS (see below for listing)**
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- 16:07 16:33 The Competing Interests in the Waters of the West Canada Creek (invited)**
F. Montecalvo, West Canada Watershed Alliance Inc.
- 16:33 16:48 Partnering with Boaters to Create a Cleaner Mohawk Watershed**
W. Estes and H. Goebel, New York State Canal Corporation and Thruway Authority
- 16:33 16:48 The Biggert - Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2012: How Flood Insurance Program Changes will Change Your Community.**
W. Nechamen, Floodplain Management, NYSDEC
- 16:48 17:09 Symposium Highlight Address: Climate Change and the Mohawk: Challenges and Opportunities for Citizens and Stakeholders**
Congressman P.D. Tonko, 20th District of New York
- 17:09 17:19 Banquet Keynote Introduction and Remarks**
R.R. Wodder, Senior Advisor to the Secretary of the Interior
- 17:19 17:24 Closing Remarks**
J.I. Garver, Geology Department, Union College

Symposium Reception (Old Chapel) 5:30pm-6:30pm

Old Chapel is on the main part of the campus, limited parking near the building is available

Symposium Banquet (Old Chapel) 6:30pm - 8:30pm, registration and tickets required

Keynote Address - The National Blueways System - Stakeholder-led River Conservation on a Watershed Scale

R.R. Wodder, Senior Advisor to the Secretary of the Interior

Poster session (all day)

- P1 The Need For An Operational Protocol For The Release Works At The Gilboa Dam**
H.R. Bartholomew and R. Price, Dam Concerned Citizens Inc.
- P2 The Need For Conservation Releases From The Schoharie Reservoir?**
H.R. Bartholomew and R. Price, Dam Concerned Citizens Inc.
- P3 Mohawk River Watershed Management Plan: Watershed Assessment**
D.A. Mosher and W. McIntyre, Mohawk River Watershed Coalition of Conservation Districts
- P4 The Use of GIS Data and Analysis in the Development of the Mohawk River Watershed Management Plan**
K. Budreski, Stone Environmental, Inc., Montpelier, VT
- P5 United States Geological Survey - Water Survey, Troy, NY**
W. Freeman and M.P. deVries, USGS New York Water Science Center
- P6 A GIS Study of Environment-impacting Activities at the Confluence of the Mohawk and Hudson Rivers**
A.M. Ghaly, Department of Engineering, Union College
- P7 Synoptic Evaluation: Scouring of the Mohawk River and Mitigation Responses**
D.N. Dremluk and A.M. Ghaly
- P8 The Hudson River Environmental Conditions Observing System**
A.M. Onion, S.H. Fernald, G.R. Wall
- P9 Lock 7 (Vischer Ferry) Dam: A Century of Concern, Now Time to Modernize**
J. Duggan, Consultant
- P10 Protection of a Municipal Well Field on the Floodplain to the Mohawk River: A Case Study of the Town of Glenville's Wellfield Protection Committee**
S.Hammond, C. George, P. Adams, J.I. Garver, J. Pelton, J.A. Smith, C. Welch
- P11 Post-Irene Suspended Sediment, Alkalinity and Metal Dynamics in the Schoharie and Mohawk Rivers**
P.R. Manning, D.P. Gillikin, J.I. Garver, J. McKeeby
- P12 Fish Community Changes in Schoharie Creek Tributaries Following Hurricane Irene and Tropical Storm Lee**
M. Meritet, I. Bach, M. Cornwell, P. Nichols, B. Brabetz, B. German
- P13 Classifying Hydroclimatological Causes of Annual Maximum Discharges on Portions of the Mohawk River and its Tributaries**
S.B. Shaw and A.M. Ryan, Dept. of Environmental Resources Engr., SUNY-ESF
- P14 Trend Analysis for Monthly and Extreme Rainfall Events in Albany, NY: 1826-2012**
M. Vetta, Geography Department, University of Guelph
- P15 Geography Field Research in Schoharie Valley: University of Guelph Student Experiences August 2012**
J. Cockburn and A. Hovorka, Geography Department, University of Guelph
- P16 Over the hill: flow variability across Catskill catchments**
J. Cockburn and J.I. Garver
- P17 A changing flight Schedule for Ducks and Geese in the Mohawk Watershed**
J.I. Garver, Geology Department, Union College
- P18 The Sedimentary Record of Flooding Along the Schoharie River Preserved in Sediment Cores from Young's Lake**
M. Sachs and D.T. Rodbell, Geology Department, Union College
- P19 Explanation of the water monitoring time series data in Schoharie Creek, NY**
K.G. Tsakiri, A.E. Marsellos, and I.G. Zurbenko
- P20 A LiDAR application for TIN construction and accurate longitudinal profile of the Mohawk river, New York, USA**
A.E. Marsellos, Dept. of Geological Sciences, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL
- P21 The Eyes of the Storm: Hurricane Irene in images and words**
Gilboa-Conesville Central School Students and S. Kliza, Gilboa, NY
- P22 A Biological assessment of water quality of the Schoharie Creek from Blenheim to Burtonsville N.Y., summer 2012**
M. McKeeby, N. Loukides, X. McKinley, E. Remling, J. McKeeby
- P23 How is the Water? Measuring sewage contamination in the Hudson River Estuary, 2006-2011**
G. O'Mullan, A. Juhl, T. Brown, J. Lipscomb