

Connecticut Source Water Collaborative Workshop

December 4, 2013

Connecticut Hospital Association

110 Barnes Road, Wallingford

- 9:00 Coffee and Tea Available - opportunity for pre-meeting networking
- 9:30 *Welcome* - Chris Feurt, Meeting Facilitator
- 9:35 *Introductory Remarks* – Ellen Blaschinski, Public Health Branch Chief, Connecticut Department of Public Health
- 9:45 *Objectives/Participant Introductions* – Lori Mathieu and Eric McPhee, CTDPH Drinking Water Section
- 10:05 *Outline of AWWA Standard G300 Source Water Protection, Introduction of Jim Taft - Chi Ho Sham, Ph.D., The Cadmus Group*
- 10:15 *The Promise and Challenges of Source Water Collaboratives: A National Perspective Grounded in Local Successes* – Jim Taft, Assoc. of State Drinking Water Administrators
- 10:45 Group discussion of ideas presented by Jim Taft and their relevance to Connecticut
- 11:00 Break
- 11:15 *The Way I See It - Connecting the Vision of a Source Water Collaborative to Connecticut* – Chris Feurt
- Group discussion of benefits and challenges from the perspectives of participant organizations and their constituents
- Benefits of creating a Connecticut Source Water Collaborative
- Who benefits?
 - What are the benefits?
 - How can a Collaborative improve source water protection?
- Challenges of creating a Connecticut Source Water Collaborative
- Organizational challenges?
 - Governance and process challenges?
- 12:10 Working Lunch
- 12:30 *Reimagining Source Water Protection - A Leadership Role for Connecticut* – G. Tracy Mehan III, US Endowment for Forestry and Communities
- 1:00 Group discussion of ideas presented by Tracy Mehan
- 1:15 Break
- 1:30 *Moving the Vision Forward* – Chris Feurt
Crafting a strategy for implementing the Connecticut Source Water Collaborative during the next year: action items and timeline
- 3:00 Adjourn

Workshop Objectives:

1. Participants will learn about the contributions of Source Water Collaboratives and the potential benefits for adopting the approach in Connecticut.
2. Participants will represent their constituent organizations and develop an appreciation of the diversity of groups who contribute to source water protection in Connecticut.
3. Participants will discuss and evaluate the potential benefits and challenges associated with implementing a Source Water Collaborative in Connecticut.
4. Participants will provide input to a one-year plan for developing and implementing the Connecticut Source Water Collaborative.
5. Participants will determine their potential role in the next year's development of the Connecticut Source Water Collaborative.