

STATEWIDE PLANNING e-NEWS

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State of Rhode Island Transportation Improvement Program FFY 2017-2025

The State Planning Council approved the Rhode Island State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) for federal fiscal years 2017-2025 on September 8, 2016. For the first time, the STIP covers nine years, a change made to better align the STIP with the state's shift to an asset management approach to transportation planning and provide municipalities and the general public a better idea of which projects are moving through development into implementation. The first four years (FFY 2017-2020) remain fiscally-constrained as required by the federal government.

The full STIP document is available at the [Division of Planning's website](#).

The FFY 2017-2025 STIP's nine year program includes approximately \$4.9 billion in funding for more than 1,000 projects for bridges, roadways, traffic safety improvements, planning, transit, and other improvements to the state's transportation system. The document is the result of an extensive public process that included a full solicitation of new projects from Rhode Island state agencies, municipalities, organizations, and individuals. These projects were reviewed by subcommittees of the State Planning Council's Transportation Advisory Committee, Rhode Island Department of Transportation, and Rhode Island Public Transit Authority staff. Recommendations were incorporated into the full FFY 2017-2025 STIP document.

The STIP document provides information on the development and project selection process, funding resources, program descriptions, and an analyses of investment areas, fiscal constraint, equity benefits, and climate change. The STIP includes tables listing of those projects programmed from FFY 2017-2025. Most individual project listings in FFY 17-FFY 20 include a brief description, location, cost estimate and funding source by year.

For more information on the new STIP, contact:
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Statewide Planning's Committee Meetings

State Planning Council

Thursday, October 13, 2016, 9:00 a.m.

One Capitol Hill, Providence, RI,
Conference Room A

Technical Committee

Friday, October 7, 2016, 9:00 a.m.

One Capitol Hill, Providence, RI,
Conference Room A

Transportation Advisory Committee

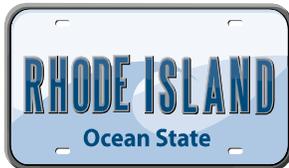
Thursday, October 27, 2016, 6:30 p.m.

One Capitol Hill, Providence, RI,
Conference Room A

RIGIS Executive Committee

Thursday, December 15, 2016, 1:00 p.m.

USDA-NRCS, Main Conference Room
60 Quaker Lane,
Warwick, RI 02886



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- Monday, October 24, 2016, 6 – 7 PM at the Louttit Library, West Greenwich, RI
- Tuesday, November 15, 2016 from 6 – 7 PM at Ponagansett High School in North Scituate, RI

To register, call URI at 401-874-4918.
Space is limited; pre-registration is required.

For more information on private well protection, see: www.rivelltesting.org

We're Here to Help

One of the central missions of the [Statewide Planning Program](#) is to enable cities and towns to create great communities.

The staff of the Statewide Planning Program is here to help, with everything from document review to data gathering, fact checking to facilitation. Our staff has expertise in a variety of topics, including GIS and mapping, public participation, data analysis, redevelopment planning and urban design.

If you think your community could benefit from the assistance of the Statewide Planning Program, contact Jared Rhodes at 222-5772 or Jared.Rhodes@doa.ri.gov.



2016-2017 LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE LECTURE SERIES

THE
UNIVERSITY
OF RHODE ISLAND
COLLEGE OF
ARTS AND SCIENCES

September 22

Matthew Cunningham

Principal, MCLD LLC, Stoneham, MA
"Gardens Evolve"

FALL

October 6

Kona Gray, PLA, ASLA

Principal, EDSA, Fort Lauderdale, FL
"Global Design - The Future of Landscape Architecture"

October 27

Mark Johnson, FASLA

President, Civitas, Denver, CO
"Landscape Architects on the Leading Edge of Urbanism"

November 17

Gina Ford, ASLA

Principal, Sasaki Associates, Watertown, MA
"Landscape Humanism in Practice"

December 1

Lara Ajemian '07

Leblanc Jones Landscape Architects, Boston MA

Ken McClure '08

Halvorson Design Group, Boston MA
"Growing in the Profession"

March 2

Kristina Hill, Ph. D.

Associate Professor Landscape Architecture and Environmental Planning, U.C. Berkeley
"Strategies for Future Shores: An Honest Assessment of the Unthinkable"

SPRING

March 23

Tara Vincenta, ASLA

Principal, Artemis, Bridgeport, CT
"Residential Coastal Landscapes: Creative responses in balance with coastal regulations and ecology at a post-Hurricane Sandy beachfront."

April 6

Cheri Ruane, ASLA

Spurr Design Group, Boston MA
"Interdisciplinary Practice: The Good, The Bad and The Awesome"

April 20

Charles Birnbaum, FASLA, FAAR

President + CEO, The Cultural Landscape Foundation, Washington, D.C.
"Why Not Cultural Systems"

Lectures begin at 7:00 P.M. and will be held in the Chemistry Building BURP 105 on the Kingston Campus of URI. This series is co-sponsored by *The College of Arts and Sciences*, *the Gaetano and Pasqualina Faella Memorial Endowment* and the Rhode Island Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects. Charles Birnbaum's lecture is being cosponsored by Victor Stanley. All lectures are free and open to the public. The lecture halls are handicapped accessible. General questions about the series may be directed to 874-2983 or to wagre@uri.edu.



URI Honors Colloquium

Sponsored by the University of Rhode Island Honors Program

The 2016 Honors Colloquium A series of public programs at the University of Rhode Island presented by the URI Honors Program

Tuesday evenings, 7 p.m., September 20–November 29, 2016, Edwards Auditorium, URI Kingston Campus
Coordinators: Jill Doerner, Kristin Johnson, Erik Loomis, and Liam Malloy

Inequality is a defining theme of our political, social and economic lives. We are committed to a future where all people have the opportunity to live the American Dream, in which everyone has the freedom to prosper, progress, and live well.

[The 2016 Honors Colloquium](#) examines the tension between these concepts across a range of salient issues. We raise questions about the influence of inequality on social mobility, the ability to seek political and social change, and across gender, race, and class.

Please join us for a discussion on the influence of inequality on our daily lives and prospects for the future.

Lectures will include:

- **September 20:** Immigration, Victoria M. DeFrancesco Soto, Political Analyst and Professor, University of Texas at Austin
- **September 27:** Race, Diversity, and Education, Kimberlé Crenshaw, Professor of Law, UCLA School of Law and Columbia Law School Diversity Week Keynote Speaker
- **October 4:** Historical Perspectives, Jefferson Cowie, Professor of History, Vanderbilt University
- **October 11:** Poverty and Homelessness, Deanna Trella and Timothy Hilton, Professors of Children's Studies and Social Work, Eastern Washington University
- **October 18:** Gender, Caroline Fredrickson, Lawyer, Author, and President of the American Constitution Society Eleanor M. and Oscar M. Carlson Women's Studies Lecture
- **October 25:** Workplace, Saru Jayaraman, Director, Food Labor Research Center, UC Berkeley
- **November 1:** Politics, John Nichols, National Affairs Correspondent, The Nation magazine
- **November 15:** Labor, Gerry Hudson, Secretary-Treasurer, Service Employees International Union
- **November 29:** What Is to Be Done About Inequality?, Jelani Cobb, New Yorker Staff Writer and Director of the Africana Studies Institute, UConn

If you have a disability and need an accommodation, please call 401.874.2303 at least five business days in advance. For TTY assistance, please call the R.I. Relay Service at 711.



THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND EXTENSION OUTREACH CENTER



2016 Lecture Series: Plugged into URI Energy Research

URI Kingston Campus, Pharmacy Building, Room 170
6:00 - 8:00 PM

Featuring speakers from the Rhode Island Office of Energy Resources, Deep Water Wind, and University of Rhode Island Environmental and Natural Resource Economics department.

November 2, 2016

November 9, 2016

November 16, 2016



*The Winds of Change:
Ocean Energy
Generation in RI*



*Got Gas?
Energy Generation
in the Northeast*



*RI's Push for Energy
Efficiency: Leading
By Example*

THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND COLLEGE OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND LIFE SCIENCES

For More Information: web.uri.edu/ceoc/
(401) 874-2900 | Outreach@URI.edu

URI Extension Outreach Center
3 East Alumni Ave, Kingston, RI 02881





COASTAL TRAINING PROGRAM



Communicating Science Effectively

October 4-5*, 2016 | 9:00 am-5 pm

Coastal Institute, URI Bay Campus, Narragansett, RI

3-14 AICP credits offered

Even excellent science only has an impact when it is effectively communicated. This course provides participants with a toolbox for effectively communicating their work. Participants will learn:

- the fundamentals of science communication
- how to create conceptual diagrams
- the tricks and tips of giving a presentation
- the principles of layout and design

Hands-on sessions will allow participants to create their own science communication products and gain experience using some of the software used in science communication, including PowerPoint, Adobe Illustrator, Adobe InDesign, and the Integration and Application Network's (IAN) symbol library.

**While you're encouraged to attend both days, if you aren't interested in using the software, you're welcome to attend just Part 1 from 9 am-12 am or Parts 1 & 2 from 9 am-3 pm on 10/4. Please see the [agenda](#) for more details.*

Requirements: laptop with wireless internet and PowerPoint 2000+ and the capability to download free trials of Adobe Illustrator CS2+ and Adobe InDesign CS+ (if not already installed) and the symbol library. Laptops may be borrowed if needed.

This course is taught by instructors from the Integration & Application Network of the University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science. Thanks to NOAA funding, the course is offered at the following very low costs (*if payment is an issue please let me know so we can try to work something out*):

Part 1 (9 am-12 pm on 10/4): **free**

Parts 1 & 2 (9 am-3 pm on 10/4; lunch included): **\$25**

Full workshop (breakfast and lunch included both days): **\$50**

Please register here by 9/23

(<http://asri.doubleknot.com/event/communicating-science-effectively/1971895>)

Space is limited so please register early to reserve your spot!

Questions? Please contact Jennifer West at jennifer@nbnerr.org or 401-222-4700, x 7413.

Testimonials: "The instructor:student ratio was fantastic - this was the first course where I felt like I actually learned the basics about the software to make my ideas a reality... it really was one of the best courses I have ever taken" | "The only bad thing about this course is now I am considered a guru among my lab and collaborators!" | "This course is an excellent introduction to improving our science education skills. The nearly equal emphasis between lecture and practice is very helpful"

Writing Sound Decisions

A Core Land Use Workshop



Monday, October 24, 2016

Cumberland Public Library
1464 Diamond Hill Rd.
Cumberland, RI

5:30-9:00 pm (including a light dinner)

Writing Sound Decisions is designed to help municipal planners, legal staff and boards and commissions write decisions whose content will hold up in court and whose clarity will make them readily understandable for both enforcement officers and property owners. It is specifically intended to address the problem, noted repeatedly in recent Superior Court and Supreme Court decisions, that written decisions coming out of municipal planning boards and zoning boards do not explain how the evidence contained in the record led the board to reach its conclusions. Taught by a Rhode Island land-use attorney, the program is grounded in Rhode Island law and cites recent Rhode Island Superior and Supreme Court decisions. The workshop handbook provides both a summary of material covered in the workshop and appendices that include templates for simple decisions, examples of appropriate content for more complex decisions and a glossary of terms. The workshop culminates in a hands-on writing exercise.

REGISTRATION FEE ASSISTANCE! The Rhode Island Interlocal Risk Management Trust is partnering with the Land-Use Training Collaborative to provide registration fee assistance for Trust members for this workshop. The registration fee for the workshop is scaled according to Member participation levels in The Trust. Trust Members who participate in both the Property/ Liability Pool and the Workers' Compensation Pool may register people free of charge. Trust Members who participate in only one Trust Pool may register people for 50% of the standard fee (ie, \$15.00). Non-Trust members pay the standard registration fee (\$30.00.)

Eligible for Free Registration

Barrington, Bristol, Burrillville, Central Falls, Charlestown, Coventry, Exeter, Foster, Glocester, Hopkinton, Jamestown, Little Compton, Middletown, Narragansett, New Shoreham, Newport, North Kingstown, North Smithfield, Portsmouth, Smithfield, South Kingstown, Tiverton, Warren, West Warwick

Eligible for 50% Discount

Cumberland, East Providence, Johnston, Lincoln, Pawtucket, Scituate, Warwick, West Greenwich, Woonsocket

Registration Deadline: October 17



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