

Funding Climate Resilience Initiatives

WORKSHOP 1: Navigating Grant Programs

8:30 AM **Welcome & Introductions of Partners**

8:45 AM **Limitations and Constraints: Part 1**

Keypad Polling Exercise

9:00 AM **World Café 1: Grantwriting Challenges Roundtable**

Break-out Rooms

Guiding Questions

- What are the local roadblocks/challenges on advancing climate resilience and stormwater management in your community, or that you observed in a community?
- What are your suggestions to improve the grant application process and to make it easier for your community to submit an application?
- How do we promote better coordination between municipal departments, multiple municipalities and other partners to advance our shared resilience goals?

9:45 AM **BREAK**

10:00 AM **Report Out and Final Thoughts**

Rejoin Common Room

10:25 AM **Limitations and Constraints: Part 2**

Keypad Polling Exercise

10:40 AM **World Café 2: Funder Presentations**

- Coastal Community Grant Program: Ruta Dzenis, Maine DACF
- Small Harbor Improvement Program (SHIP) and Boating Improvement Grant (BIG) Program: Matthew Burns, MaineDOT
- Watershed Planning & Implementation Grant Programs: Wendy Garland, MaineDEP
- Municipal Stream Crossing Upgrade Grants Program: John Maclaine, MaineDEP

11:40 AM **Stories from Communities: Successful Applicant Presentations**

- Town of Harpswell and Basin Point Road Coastal Flooding & Community Engagement: Mary Ann Nahf, Harpswell Conservation Commission, Chair
- Town of Chesterville and Sandy River Road Project: Lidie Whittier Robbins, 30 Mile River Watershed Association, Executive Director
- Town of Machias and Waterfront Renewal & Resilience Study: Christina Therrien, Town Manager

12:25 PM **Closing Remarks and What's Next**

12:30 PM **Adjourn**

