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The Albemarle-Pamlico National Estuary Partnership

Sound Stories

March 2019



This March we had the opportunity to assist many of our partners with regional outreach and networking initiatives. From helping to sponsor the [2019 NC Oyster Summit](#), to sponsoring and facilitating sessions at the [2019 WRRRI Conference](#), to educating students at the [NC Coastal Envirothon](#), we believe that it is important to help our partners work towards shared goals for the Albemarle-Pamlico region.

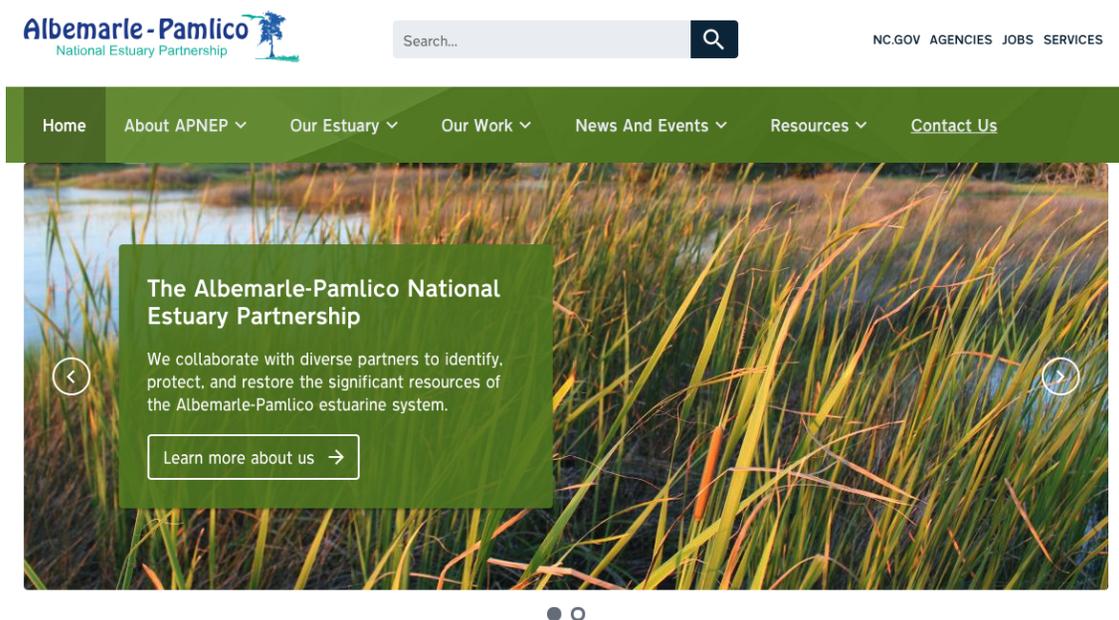
In particular, we were excited to bring together coastal resiliency experts from North Carolina and Virginia at the WRRRI conference workshop and panel discussion "Planning

plan to use the feedback and findings presented during the session to inform how we focus efforts and resources in this arena.

As spring begins, we are preparing for new [submerged aquatic vegetation \(SAV\) mapping flights](#) and several other studies. We are excited to be utilizing [our new website](#) to highlight these projects, as well as upcoming events such as April's [Shad in the Classroom](#) programs.

Sincerely,
Dr. Bill Crowell
APNEP Director

APNEP News



Check Out APNEP's New Website!

APNEP staff spent the past few months working on a revamped website for the Partnership, and we are excited to announce that our new site went live in early March! With this website, which can be reached at apnep.nc.gov or apnep.org, we've updated and streamlined materials from our old site, as well as adding new features to better highlight the work that APNEP and our partners are doing across our region. *Questions,*

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Check out the new website



Oyster Summit Brings Together Diverse Stakeholders

The [NC Coastal Federation's 2019 Oyster Summit](#) on March 12th brought together state, federal, and nonprofit groups to discuss the future of North Carolina's oyster habitats and mariculture industry. At the event, Department of Environmental Quality Secretary Regan spoke about the importance of the [Coastal Habitat Protection Plan](#) in protecting vital oyster habitats. Panels highlighted implementation actions from the CHPP, including the importance of water quality protection and promotion of healthy wild oyster stocks through habitat restoration. APNEP's Coastal Habitats Coordinator Jimmy Johnson works closely with partners and stakeholders to integrate CHPP and CCMP implementation.

[Learn more about APNEP's oyster habitat initiatives](#)

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APNEP Shares Watershed Stewardship Lessons at the NC Coastal Envirothon

With the help of a model watershed, spray bottles of water, and colored sprinkles representing pollutants, APNEP staff helped middle schoolers from eastern North Carolina explore some of the current environmental issues facing our region during the [NC Coastal Envirothon](#) on March 19th. The event, which encourages middle and high school students to learn about natural resource management issues, is sponsored by Area 5 and 6 of the [NC Soil and Water Conservation Districts](#).

[Learn more about the Coastal Envirothon](#)



APNEP Committee Updates

National Estuary Programs around the country.



Upcoming Events & Meetings

All meetings associated with APNEP's committees, Action Teams, and Monitoring & Assessment Teams are free and open to the public. For more information, please contact apnep@ncdenr.gov.

- **April 26th, 9:30am - 12:30pm** | [APNEP Air Resources Monitoring and Assessment Meeting](#) (EPA Building Room E201, RTP, NC)
- **April 30th, 10:00am - 3:00pm** | [APNEP Science and Technical Advisory Committee Meeting](#) (Greenville Center, East Carolina University, Greenville NC)
- **May 14th, TBD** | [APNEP Leadership Council Meeting](#) (Raleigh, NC)

Soundings Blog

Going with the Ebb and Flow: Researchers Seek a Sustainable Future for Coastal Plain Waterways

March 26th, 2019

How is the ebb and flow of water changing in our coastal plain and how can we work together to make sure these flows are sustainable? In our newest blog post, discover what APNEP-funded researchers, together with members of APNEP's Ecological Flows Team, are learning about the region's ecological flows.

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Current Grant Opportunities



- 4/15/19: [Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission - Sustainable Aquaculture RFP](#)
- 5/3/19: [FY2019 319\(h\) Nonpoint Source Grant RFP](#)
- 6/15/19: [Duke Energy Powerful Communities: Storm Resiliency Grants](#)

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Partner Spotlight



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SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN ARTICLE

Check out this [recent Scientific American article](#) for an overview of the current state of living shorelines research and policy in the United States. The article highlights North Carolina-based research, including that of Dr. Rachel Gittman at East Carolina University. Dr. Gittman is a member of the APNEP/NC Coastal Federation [Living Shorelines Team](#), and her efforts to document changes to living shorelines after Hurricane Florence and Tropical Storm Michael were also featured in a [recent Soundings blog post](#).

[Read the article](#)

What We're Reading

- [Women's History: Notable Coastal Women](#) (Coastal Review Online)
 - [Ruined crops, salty soil: How rising seas are poisoning North Carolina's farmland](#) (Washington Post)
 - [Hiding in Plain Sight](#) (NC Sea Grant Coastwatch)
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