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Greetings from APNEP!

We're hosting Dr. Tom Allen for our next Sound Series lecture on Thursday, who in addition to being a renowned geographer is also the chair of our Policy Board. We'll guarantee a great talk, lively conversation, and at least one map that will change your perspective! Details are below- we hope you can find a little time to join us!



We also have great plans over the next couple of months, including a [meeting of the minds](#) in Greenville, [invasive species monitoring](#) in Albemarle Sound and its tributaries, and our annual "[At the Water's Edge](#)" educator workshop in Salter Path. Meanwhile, many of our [recently funded education projects](#) are underway, our AmeriCorps members continue to impress us with their [video contributions](#), and we're making important strides in our examination of [nutrient criteria](#) in North Carolina's estuaries.

Of course, nearly all of this work depends on outstanding partners and volunteers who share our affection for and dedication to the sounds. Thank you!

Warmest regards,
APNEP staff

Triangle Sound Series

Albemarle-Pamlico National Estuary Partnership presents:

Get lost (and found) in the NC Coastal Atlas

DR. TOM ALLEN

Science Talk
 Thursday, July 16, 2015
 4:30 pm, Daily Planet Theater, Raleigh, NC

NORTH CAROLINA
 Museum of Natural Sciences

North Carolina has one of the largest and most complex estuaries in the United States, with an immense geography, coastal resources, and history that span its barrier islands, sounds, and sprawling coastal plain. Pulling together the maps that portray our coast is a herculean cartographic task. Doing this in a digital, online format nonetheless brings the awareness of our coastal treasures and challenges for its stewardship to masses. Will we ever find the Lost Colony? Where is the Graveyard of the Atlantic? What about sea-level rise? Maps will tell the tale....

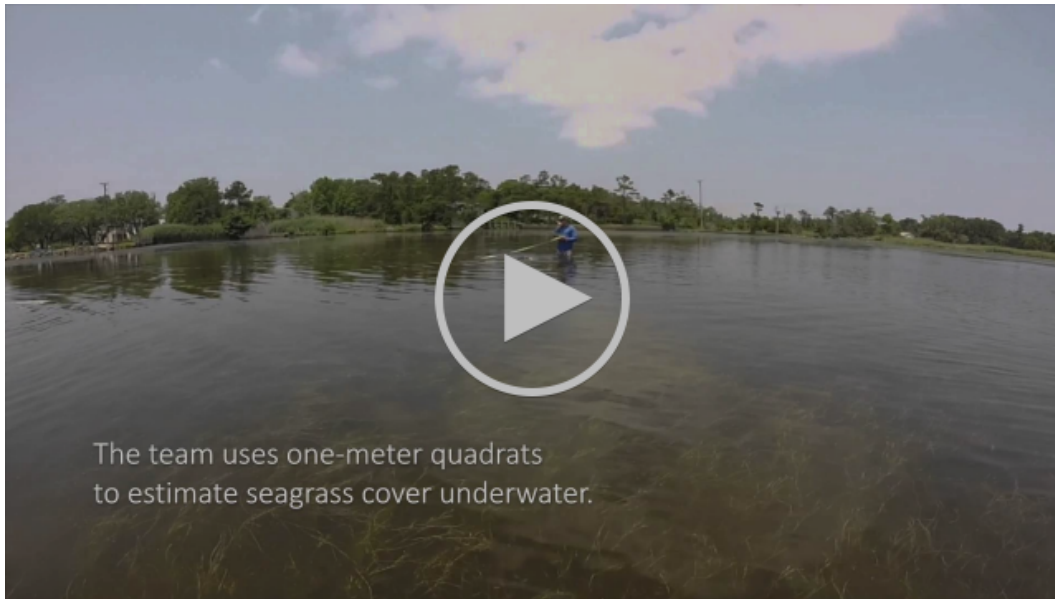
About Our Speaker: Dr. Tom Allen is Professor of Geography at East Carolina University. He grew up around the Chesapeake Bay and occasionally surfing on the Outer Banks. A graduate of Old Dominion University and UNC-Chapel Hill, Dr. Allen has spent much of his recent career teaching and investigating coastal mapping and geographic information systems (GIS). He leads a partnership developing the [North Carolina Coastal Atlas](#).

APNEP Joint Policy Board and STAC Meeting

APNEP's Policy Board and Science and Technical Advisory Committee will meet together on Wednesday, July 29th from 10 am to 3 pm in Greenville, North Carolina. We have also confirmed attendance from leaders at four estuary programs nationwide, who will join us to offer their perspective on what it takes to protect and restore some of America's most significant estuaries. The meeting is open to the public; we hope you'll consider joining us.

[View the Agenda](#)

APNEP in the Field



The team uses one-meter quadrats to estimate seagrass cover underwater.

Working with East Carolina University, we're improving our capacity to monitor seagrass in the sounds. This short video will give you a glimpse of our work establishing a sentinel site in Kitty Hawk Bay, one of ten sites around Albemarle Sound.

Shaping our Economic Future: Offshore Drilling in N.C.

When: Friday, July 31, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Where: New Bern Riverfront Convention Center



The North Carolina Coastal Federation is hosting a public forum to explore the realities of offshore oil and gas development in North Carolina. This forum intends to delve deeper into the economic, environmental and social impacts the oil and gas industry would have on coastal communities. Researchers, regulators, elected officials and coastal residents will be speaking at the event providing a range of viewpoints from the Gulf of Mexico to Currituck Sound.

Details regarding registration and itinerary can be found on the NC Coastal Federation [website](#).

Environmental Educators of North Carolina (EENC) Conference

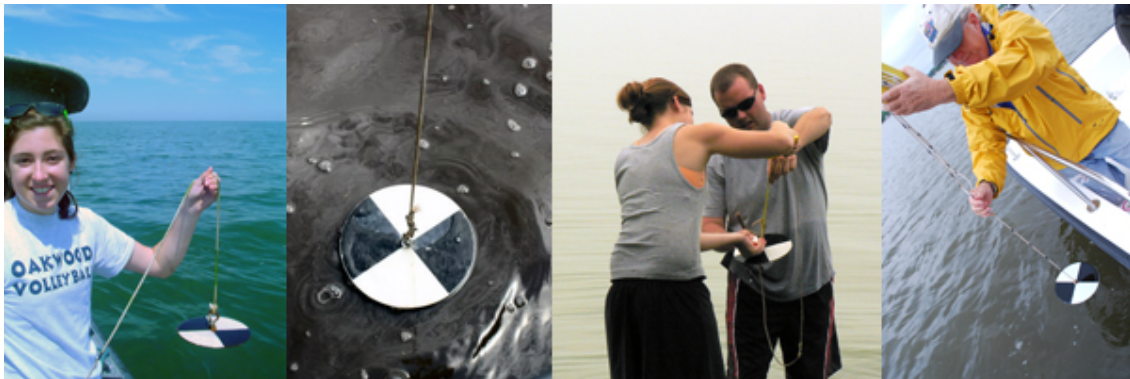
We love this year's "Sound choices in EE" theme and its soundside location in Columbia, NC! APNEP will be



offering presentations and supporting excursions throughout northeastern North Carolina as part of the conference. Teachers and educators of all types are welcome. Earn continuing education and environmental education certification credits. Learn more and register now at eenc.org

The Annual Great North American Secchi Dip-In

We'll have our secchi disk handy during our next field outing in Edenton, where we'll contribute data to the [Secchi Dip-In](#). You can contribute too by taking a secchi reading at your favorite lake, estuary or pond.



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