



Resiliency Planning Charrette

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Speaker / Conférencier:

Amanda Dean, IBC-Atlantic

Impact of Disasters, Context for Disaster Mitigation / Resiliency Planning

Bio: **Amanda Dean** has a background in communications and public relations in the private and public sectors, along with experience in both provincial and federal levels of government. She joined IBC in 2006 and was promoted to her current role in 2013. As Vice-President, Atlantic, Amanda oversees all government relations in Atlantic Canada, representing the positions of the property and casualty (P&C) insurance industry to government officials. She is also responsible for developing and implementing an effective advocacy strategy for the P&C insurance industry, including key industry policy priorities such as co-ordinating consumer outreach programs and working on adaptation to severe weather initiatives.

A former member of the Board for YWCA Halifax and volunteer with the Operation Red Nose service and Holiday on the Harbour Charity Ball, Amanda is active in her community. She is currently in her second term as Chair of the Mount Saint Vincent University Black Tie Dinner & Bingo annual fundraising event and has served as guest lecturer on government relations for the university's public relations students.

Amanda holds a BPR from Mount Saint Vincent University and an MBA from Saint Mary's University.



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Speaker / Conférencier:

Kathy Edwards, City of Fredericton

City of Fredericton's Approach Toward Adaptation and Resiliency

Bio: A biology graduate of Mount Allison University(BSc) and the University of New Brunswick(MSc), Kathy has worked for the City of Fredericton for ten years. Originally hired as the City's Wellfield Protection Officer in the Water & Sewer Division, Kathy recently went over to Engineering Services to help coordinate Capital Project Plan Review as well as perform engineering review of building permits. Kathy has lived in a variety of places from the large urban environment of the City of Montreal to Fredericton's smaller City spaces to rural southern Quebec. Issues of Climate Change and municipal planning continue to fascinate her as she strives to make a difference in both her personal & professional lives.



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Speaker / Conférencier:

Isabelle Pitre, FCM

Initiatives in Adaptation and Resiliency

Bio: **Isabelle Pitre**, a biologist, has 7 years of experience in the field of municipal sustainable development. She holds a master's degree in environmental sciences from the UQTR, and has worked for 5 years as a sustainable development officer for the Municipality of Chelsea. She has been working as an applications project officer for the FCM's Green Municipal Fund since 2013.



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Speaker / Conférencier:

Jeff Hoyt, NB Department of Environment and Local Government

An overview of Climate Change Adaptation in NB

Bio: Jeff Hoyt is the Director of Climate Change Adaptation in the Climate Change Secretariat, NB Department of Environment and Local Government. Jeff joined the Climate Change Secretariat in August of 2013. Prior to this, Jeff spent 11 years working for the Ministry of Environment in British Columbia. Jeff has a B.Sc. in Biology from the University of New Brunswick and a Masters in Environmental Biology and Ecology from the University of Alberta.



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Speaker / Conférencier:

Dawn Ursuliak

Walking Through the Rural Disaster Resiliency Assessment Process

Bio: Dawn Ursuliak is a Resilient Communities project consultant in Vancouver. She is currently working on a number resiliency projects including developing an Emergency Support Services Strategy for the North Shore Emergency Management Office, Project Managing the SFU DRDC funded project 'Improving End to End Tsunami Warning for Risk Reduction on Canada's West Coast' as well as developing a program of research and grant funding model for ePACT, an emergency network software company. Recently, she was Project Manager for the Justice Institute of BC, Centre for Resilient Communities, managing a number of large community resiliency and disaster management projects. This included building and piloting a Rural Disaster Resilience Planning Guide, a Disaster Risk and Resilience Engagement website as well as organizing a National Policy Forum and Building Resilient Communities workshop. She was a founder of CBC Radio 3, creating three large youth engaging award-winning websites, managed CBC Television marketing and communications projects as well as managed large real estate development marketing and communications campaigns. She can be contacted at dawnursuliak@gmail.com.

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Speaker / Conférencier:

Ron Bowles, JIBC

Walking Through the Rural Disaster Resiliency Assessment Process

Bio: Dr. Ron Bowles is Co-Principal Investigator of the Rural Disaster Resilience Project (RDRP). Ron is Associate Dean for the Centre of Applied Research at the Justice Institute of British Columbia.

Ron has over 30 years experience as a practitioner, educator, and researcher in prehospital care and the emergency services. Ron came to the Justice Institute of British Columbia as an instructor in 1992. His graduate work has focused on educational technology and his doctoral work explored the development of expertise in high fidelity simulations. He joined the RDRP project in 2011 and led the development of the online tools and sites. Ron continues to work on disaster planning projects, including co-facilitating a national workshop on Building Resilient Communities in 2014 and a current initiative in partnership with the Canadian Safety Security Program and Emergency Management BC to develop and implement a Critical Infrastructure Assessment Tool.



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Speaker / Conférencier:

Eddie Oldfield

Walking Through the 10 Essentials for Disaster Risk Reduction

Bio: Eddie Oldfield owns Spatial Quest Solutions, a consulting company in New Brunswick. He is a member of the Resilient Communities Working Group, of Canada's National Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction (www.drr-rrc.ca) under Public Safety Canada, working to advance resiliency planning initiatives in alignment with the United Nations International Strategy for Disaster Risk Reduction and Hyogo Framework for Action. Eddie is a member of the Open Geospatial Consortium and an invited technical expert for Smart Grid Interoperability Panel – both standards development organizations. He assisted in the formation of the global OGC Energy and Utilities Domain Working Group and is Co-Chair of the OGC Health Domain Working Group, on a volunteer basis. He also volunteers as Chair of the QUEST New Brunswick Caucus, part of QUEST - a national non-profit organization working toward Smarter Energy Communities across Canada.

Previously, he worked as Director of the New Brunswick Climate Change Hub (12 years), a non-profit initiative funded by federal and provincial governments. During that time he coordinated web-based mapping of environmental and health indicators for chronic respiratory illness programs and a cross-border pandemic influenza exercise, with funding from Canadian and US Governments. Nominated by Federation of Canadian Municipalities, he received a Queen Elizabeth II's Diamond Jubilee Medal for his community-oriented efforts.



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