

York River Stewardship Committee Meeting

Tuesday, May 27, 2025, 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

Location: York Land Trust Community Room, 1 Long Neck Marsh Road, York

Agenda

1. Welcome and introductions
2. Coastal Resilience Session (60 minutes), with presentations and discussion focused on:
 - *How improved climate resilience and nature-based solutions, like living shoreline projects, can help protect York River resources*
 - *Results and recommendations from the Climate Ready Coast - Southern Maine project for 3 areas of the York River that are particularly vulnerable to sea level rise impacts*
 - *How nearby coastal towns are implementing resiliency projects, plus some state and regional resources that are available for community resiliency projects*
 - *A newly initiated project to develop nature-based approaches to improve resiliency at York's Steedman Woods*

Speakers: **Joan LeBlanc**, York River Stewardship Committee Chair; **Abbie Sherwin**, NOAA/Tellus Civic Science; and **Jessica Brunacini**, Wells National Estuarine Research Reserve

3. Federal budget/Cooperative Agreement updates – Paul
4. York River Watershed Grants Program for 2025 – Jenn
5. Other Business and Updates
 - Minutes review for April meeting
 - River Access Ad Hoc Committee – Mary and Beth
 - Executive Committee – Joan
6. Public comments
7. Adjourn

Next scheduled meeting: 5:30-7:00 p.m. **Tuesday, June 24**, at the York Land Trust (1 Long Neck Marsh Road, York). Check YorkRiverMaine.org to confirm.