The Watch Hill Conservancy
A Community Forum

SEA LEVEL RISE AND STORM SURGE IN WATCH HILL: WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

WHAT: A Three-day Forum held in the winter of 2019 to determine risk and vulnerability to the Watch Hill Community from sea level rise and storm surge.

CONVENORS:

Deborah Lamm, President, The Watch Hill Conservancy
Grant G. Simmons III, The Watch Hill Fire District, Parks Commission
Janice M. Sassi, Manager, Napatree Point Conservation Area
Peter August, Chair, Napatree Science Advisors
Jocelyn Lahey, Executive Director, The Watch Hill Conservancy

TOPICS COVERED:

Sea Level Rise & Storm Surge 101
Dr. Bryan Oakley, Eastern Connecticut State University

STORMTOOLS: Visualizing SLR & Surge
Teresa Crean, URI Coastal Resources Center

Current CRMC Programs & Policies For SLR/Surge Adaptation
Janet Freedman, RI Coastal Resources Management Council

How SLR & Storm Surge Will Impact Us: What Next?
Forum Participants

PARTICIPANTS:

East Beach Association, The Watch Hill Conservancy
Watch Hill Lighthouse Keepers Association, Misquamicut Club
Watch Hill Improvement Society, Watch Hill Yacht Club
Watch Hill Fire District, Parks Commission, WH Merchants Association

OUTCOME:

A resolution by participants to continue working together as a community to develop adaptation solutions to sea level rise and storm surge in Watch Hill.