



## *Activism and Stewardship: Paddles in the Water and Boots on the Ground*

*How do people across the region value the Potomac and Anacostia Rivers? What are the unique challenges, and who can be part of the solution? Find out how our local Riverkeepers and DC Water are using grass-roots organizing and creative engineering to benefit the Potomac and Anacostia Rivers.*

**Tuesday, October 13, 2015**

5:30 pm Registration and sandwich buffet; 6:15 Presentations and Discussion; 7:30 Wrap Up

**Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments**

777 North Capitol Street, NE, Washington, DC. Training Center, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor <http://www.mwcog.org/contact/directions/>

**Speakers:** *Dean Naujoks, Trey Sherard, Garry L. Brennan*

### **Dean Naujoks - Potomac Riverkeeper**

Mr. Dean Naujoks has been the Potomac Riverkeeper since March 2015. Previously he served as Upper Neuse Riverkeeper, and Yadkin Riverkeeper in North Carolina. He also served on the Board of Directors of Waterkeeper Alliance (Chair of the Issues and Advocacy Committee), and was appointed by the North Carolina Governors Office to serve on the Neuse Basin Oversight Committee. He helped formulate the Upper Neuse Basin Clean Water Initiative to preserve 24,000 acres and protect water quality for nine critical drinking water reservoirs. The plan was hailed as national model for source water protection. Mr. Naujoks received the River Network's *2009 National River Heroes Award*, and was recognized in several NC Governor's *Achievement Awards in Conservation*. He is a North Carolina State University graduate with a degree in Environmental Policy and Sustainable Development.

### **Trey Sherard - Outreach Coordinator, Anacostia Riverkeeper**

Mr. Trey Sherard is the Anacostia Riverkeeper's outreach coordinator and program assistant. He works with public and private partners to enact needed policy and builds opportunities for local citizens to engage in environmental activism and restoration of their local river. He was the lead biologist and a captain for Sea Trek BVI, where he educated students in coral reef ecology, sea turtle ecology and conservation, invertebrate diversity and structure, reef fish ecology and identification, and estuarine ecology. He also worked at UNC Wilmington's Center for Marine Science/Ichthyology Lab where he conducted research on marine ecosystems. He is a Duke University graduate with a B.S. in Biology.

### **Garry L. Brennan - Program Manager, DC Water**

Mr. Garry Brennan is a Program Manager for Tunnel Construction with the District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority, and is a key member of the DC Clean Rivers project. He is a Professional Engineer with over 30 years of Civil Engineering experience in the Water, Wastewater, Stormwater and Transportation planning, design and construction. Mr. Brennan holds certifications from the District Department of Environment, Federal EPA, FEMA and OSHA; he several Boards of Certified Professionals. He is a Penn State University graduate with a B.S. in Civil Engineering, and has been an invited speaker at agency public outreach events, national organization conferences, and numerous educational institutions.

**REGISTRATION** is only \$10 for members and students; \$15 for all non-members. Please register by **Friday, October 9th** at <http://www.awrancrs.org/events.html>, or email Mathini Sreetharan at/Membership Chair at [natcapawra@gmail.com](mailto:natcapawra@gmail.com) and pay at the door. (Make checks payable to AWRA-NCR Section). Become a member at <http://www.awrancrs.org/membership.html>.