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Clean Water Action's 31st Annual Conference

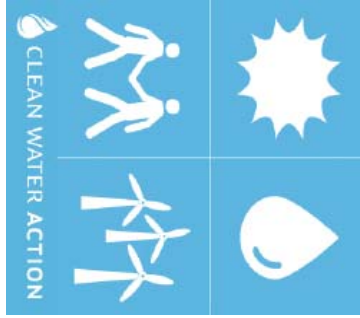
## Voices Matter, Actions Count

Saturday, April 8, 2017 at The Wardlaw-Hartridge School  
Roundtable with NJ gubernatorial candidates

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The Wardlaw-Hartridge School, Edison, NJ



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## PROGRAM

- 9:00 - 9:45 am Registration and Continental Breakfast
- 10:00 - 10:15 am Welcome & Theme for the Day  
Representative, The Wardlaw-Hartridge School  
Amy Goldsmith, State Director, Clean Water Action
- 10:30 am - Noon Workshops—Session I
- 12:00 - 1:00 pm Lunch
- 1:15 - 2:45 pm Workshops—Session II
- 3:00 - 3:30 pm Grassroots Environmental Awards
- 3:30 - 5:00 pm Environmental Roundtable with NJ Gubernatorial Candidates
- 5:00 - 6:00 pm Networking Reception with environmental movers & shakers

## GRASSROOTS ENVIRONMENTAL AWARDS

- Carolee Bol, Volunteer Extraordinaire
- Michele Donato, Esq., NJ Board Member, Clean Water Action
- David Tykulsker, Esq., National Board Chair & NJ Board Member, Clean Water Action
- Samsel Upper Elementary TAG Students, Sayreville Public Schools

## EVENT SPONSORS

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## PLEASE JOIN US AT THE WARDLAW-HARTRIDGE SCHOOL

Address: 1295 Inman Avenue, Edison, NJ 08820 (near NJ transit Metropark Station)

## WORKSHOPS

There will be two sets of workshops. Every workshop is only offered once. Learn new skills that will help you or your organization be more effective. Gain a better understanding of the issues that impact our health and the environment. Discuss actions that can be taken at the individual, community and government levels.

### Workshop Session I : 10:30 - Noon

#### WHY CAN'T WE JUST HAVE WATER IN OUR WATER?

Our water is in crisis - lead in Newark schools' drinking water and the Trump and Christie Administrations are pushing drastic rollbacks of core Clean Water Act and Highlands protections. Let's work together & take back our taps, our kids deserve it!

Moderator: **David Tykulsker**, NJ Board Member, Natl. Bd. Chair, Clean Water Action  
Presenters: **Assemblyman John McKeon** (D-Essex/Morris), Co-Chair,  
Joint Legislative Task Force on Drinking Water Infrastructure  
**National Clean Water Action Staff**  
**Kim Gaddy**, Environmental Justice Organizer, Clean Water Action

#### RETHINK DISPOSABLE

ReThink Disposable is a program proven to help businesses and consumers generate fewer single use disposables (plastic cups, foam containers, straws, etc.), save money, and protect the planet all at the same time.

Moderator: **Tirza Wahrman, Esq.**, Law Office of Tirza S. Wahrman, LLC  
West Windsor Environmental Commission, Bd Mbr, Clean Water Action  
Presenters: **Katie McCarthy**, Rethink Disposable Coordinator, Clean Water Action  
**Samantha Sommer**, Waste Prevention Prog. Mgr., Clean Water Action  
**Representatives**, The Wardlaw-Hartridge School

#### POWER TO THE PEOPLE: ACCOUNTABILITY & ACTION

Political challenges and opportunities abound from the recent federal elections to the upcoming state races. The Governor and all NJ legislative seats are up for grabs. Make the difference with rallies, town meetings, door knocking, scorecards and more.

Moderator: **Sharon Finlayson**, Political Chair, Clean Water Action NJ Board  
Presenters: **Senator Jennifer Beck** (R-Monmouth) (invited)  
**Asm. Andrew Zwicker** (D-Mercer/Middlesex/Somerset) (invited)  
**David Pringle**, NJ Campaign Director, Clean Water Action

#### A 100% CLEAN ENERGY ECONOMY IS 100% BETTER FOR JOBS

In New Jersey, a 100% clean energy mix of wind, solar, and water could create 144,655 more career-long construction and operation jobs than nuclear power and fossil fuel. This is not a pie in the sky idea. We can do it, but we have to act today!

Moderator: **Ben Forest**, NJ Board Member, Clean Water Action  
Presenters: **Senator Christopher ("Kip") Bateman** (R-Somerset) (invited)  
**Wyatt Earp**, Political Director, IBEW NJ & DE  
and NJ Board Member, Clean Water Action  
**Doug O'Malley**, Director, Environment New Jersey

### Workshop Session II : 1:15 - 2:45 pm

#### THE RIGHT TO CLEAN AIR & WATER FOR THE GENERATIONS

Did you know Pennsylvanians have powerful environmental rights written into their constitution while New Jersey does not? The conservative Keystone State Supreme Court recently re-empowered its people to act, now it's the Garden State's turn.

Mod./Presenter: **David Pringle**, NJ Campaign Director, Clean Water Action  
Presenters: **Asm. Tim Eustace** (D-Bergen), Chair, Environment Committee,  
NJ State Assembly (invited)  
**Maya van Rossum**, The Delaware Riverkeeper

#### SOCIAL MEDIA FOR CHANGE

Social media sites and tools can help you engage new audiences and amplify your cause. Come learn how you can make a powerful impact with tools such as Facebook, Instagram, Twitter & Snapchat.

Mod./Presenter: **Jenny Vickers Chyb**, Communications Mgr, Clean Water Action  
Presenters: **Jenn Chavez**, Owner, The Helpful Rabbit  
**Jennifer Sodini**, Digital Media Consultant,  
Evolve and Ascend Media, LLC

#### #NEWARKSTRONG - THE ROAD TO CLIMATE RESILIENCY

Newark's people Of Color and low income population face numerous environmental injustices: the largest port on the East Coast, toxic air pollution, high cancer, asthma and crime rates, and climate change impacts such as rising temperatures and flooding. Learn how our Newark Resiliency Action Plan (RAP) is helping to address these issues and improve the city's quality of life.

Moderator: **Jeanette Mitchell**, Climate Organizer, Clean Water Action  
Presenters: **Michael Molina**, Community Resiliency Coordinator,  
Ironbound Community Corporation  
**Cynthia Mellon**, Chair, Newark Environmental Commission  
**Nicole Miller**, Principal, MnM Consulting and Commissioner,  
Newark Environmental Commission

#### DIRTY, DANGEROUS ENERGY: THE STATUS QUO HAS GOT TO GO

New Jersey's 'business as usual' traditional energy mix comes at great cost to public health, tax & rate payers, and the realities of climate change. It's past time to stop investing in fracking and nuclear industries and clean up the mess.

Moderator: **Janet Tauro**, NJ Board Chair, Clean Water Action  
Presenters: **Assemblywoman Liz Muoio** (D-Mercer/Hunterdon) (invited)  
**Jeff Tittel**, State Director, Sierra Club - NJ Chapter  
**Alyssa Bradley**, Energy Organizer, Clean Water Action

## REGISTRATION FORM

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