



How's My Waterway? and Other Water Quality Apps



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Join us for a webcast to learn more about the new **How's My Waterway** and other water quality apps. These new apps have great potential to let users quickly learn about waterways anywhere. EPA recently launched a new app and website to help people find information on the condition of thousands of lakes, rivers and streams across the United States from their smart phone, tablet or desktop computer. Available at www.epa.gov/mywaterway, the **How's My Waterway** app and website uses mobile device location or a user-entered zip code or city name to provide information about the quality of local water bodies. This app was released on the 40th anniversary of the Clean Water Act, which Congress enacted on October 18, 1972, giving citizens a special role in caring for the nation's water resources. Forty years later, EPA is providing citizens with a technology-based tool to expand that stewardship.

The webcast will also highlight the **SwimGuide** app which helps you find your closest beach and provides beach status information (see <http://www.theswimguide.org>). Finally, the webcast will showcase the **Riverview** app which lets you share pictures of your favorite river and share information on its condition (<http://belowthesurface.org>).



The presentation will be posted in advance at www.epa.gov/watershedwebcasts. Also, webcast participants are eligible to receive a certificate for their attendance.

Instructors:

Douglas J. Norton, Environmental Scientist, Watershed Branch, U.S. EPA's Office of Wetlands, Oceans and Watersheds – Doug leads the team that created the new **How's My Waterway** app. During his 20 years in the Office of Water, Doug has specialized in the development and transfer of technical studies and tools for state and watershed practitioners including the Watershed Academy's online training and certificate program, the TMDL results analysis project, the multi-agency Stream Corridor Restoration Handbook, and the Recovery Potential Screening methodology and website.

Krystyn Tully, Vice President, Lake Ontario Waterkeeper, Toronto, Canada – Krystyn is a co-creator of the Waterkeeper **Swim Guide** and **Drink Guide** apps. Since co-founding the Lake Ontario Waterkeeper in 2001, Krystyn has written and/or edited numerous articles about water and environmental policy, and appeared before municipal, provincial, and federal government committees.

Jared Robinson Criscuolo, Founder and Executive Director, Below the Surface – Jared is the Executive Director of a non-profit organization called Below the Surface, which is dedicated to exploration of and education about the issues surrounding water. Jared has among other things paddled many rivers to draw attention to the importance of clean water. The Riverview App is his most recent project to build a photo collection of rivers and lakes.

Registration:

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