

Coming Together for Clean Water

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Speaker Biographies

Barbara Deutsch

Barbara Deutsch, ASLA is the Executive Director of the Landscape Architecture Foundation (LAF), a 501c3 charitable organization founded in 1966 in response to the urgent need for landscape architects to be a greater part of the solution to the environmental crisis. Landscape architects design for natural resources, natural processes, and people. LAF's mission is to protect, enhance, and improve the environment through research and scholarship for sustainable landscape solutions and the "landscape architecture approach" or integrated planning and design.

Prior to joining LAF in May 2009, Ms. Deutsch worked on re-greening cities from Hong Kong to Washington, DC. She worked on several large, inter-disciplinary landscape planning and design projects for Hong Kong Government to support projected population increases including: new town planning and development, infrastructure works, and conservation strategies.

She was principal investigator for the award-winning research grant for EPA: *The Green Build-out Model: Quantifying the Stormwater Management Benefits of Trees and Green Roofs in Washington, DC*. The grant used a collaborative and participatory process with key stakeholders. It found that green infrastructure could make significant reductions in stormwater runoff and combined sewer overflow events in DC and has become a seminal tool to find the optimal balance between gray and green infrastructure.

Most recently Ms. Deutsch served as a sustainability consultant for BioRegional, working on a team with Hunt Development Companies to propose the District of Columbia's first Zero-Carbon, Zero-Waste, Net Zero-Water, and 100% Sustainable Lifestyles community at Hill East.

Before discovering the profession of landscape architecture, Ms. Deutsch worked for IBM as a Systems Engineer, Marketing Representative, and Marketing Programs Manager, and earned six 100% Club and two Golden Circle Awards. Ms. Deutsch loved marketing but wanted to apply her systems thinking and skills to promote the environmental issues important to her.

Ms. Deutsch earned a BS in Commerce from the University of Virginia, a Masters in Landscape Architecture from the University of Washington, and was a 2006 Loeb Fellow at the Harvard Graduate School of Design.

A.G. Kawamura

Governor Schwarzenegger appointed A.G. Kawamura as secretary of the California Department of Food and Agriculture in November 2003. Secretary Kawamura is a produce grower and shipper from Orange County, where his family grows strawberries, green beans and other specialty crops. As an urban agriculturist, he has a lifetime of experience working along and within the expanding urban boundaries of Southern California.

He began his agricultural career as a beekeeper, and was a roadside stand operator before entering into his family business as a produce salesman for Western Marketing Company of California. In 1978, he managed sales and exports for eight years before transitioning to the production side of the company. In 1996, Western Marketing Company became Orange County Produce, LLC, which he founded with his brother, Matthew. He managed the company's growing and harvesting operations.

Secretary Kawamura has a long history of public service to his community and to agriculture. At the time of his appointment, he was a member of the California State Board of Food and Agriculture, where he had served since 1998. He is the immediate past chairman of the Agricultural Technical Advisory Committee, a USDA advisory position for international trade.

In addition, Secretary Kawamura has served as president of the Orange County Farm Bureau, chairman of Western Growers Association, and president of the Orange County Agricultural Association. He has also served as a director on the boards of the California Strawberry Commission and the California Celery Research Advisory Board. He was a founding trustee of Sage Hill High School in Orange County.

Secretary Kawamura is widely known for his passion for education and his commitment to the issues of hunger and nutrition. As president of Orange County Harvest, a nonprofit promoting agricultural partnerships with organizations combating hunger, he arranged for thousands of volunteers to harvest and glean over a million pounds of produce for area food banks. His nationally recognized urban projects, such as the 7-acre Common Ground project in San Juan Capistrano and 4-acre Incredible Edible Park in Irvine, are agricultural paradigms linking nutritional education and interaction with local schools and food banks.

Secretary Kawamura has received numerous awards and recognition for his work in and outside the agricultural community. Highlights include:

- Pacific Pioneer Award: Japanese American Cultural and Community Center, 2004
- Orange County Second Harvest Food Bank: Humanitarians Against Hunger Award, 2000
- California Hunger Action Coalition: Hunger Fighter Award, 2000
- Sustainable Northwest: Founders of a New Northwest, 1999
- California Association of Nurserymen: Education Award, 1995-96
- California Junior Chamber of Commerce: Outstanding Young Californian, 1991
- Secretary Kawamura has a bachelor's degree in comparative literature from U.C. Berkeley.

Joanne Mahoney

As a lifelong resident of Onondaga County, Joanie Mahoney recognizes and values the wealth of resources available to Central New York. Born into a large family, Joanie grew up on the southwest side of Syracuse and graduated from Corcoran High School. Since being elected Onondaga County's first female County Executive in 2007, Joanie has made the cleanup of Onondaga Lake and government modernization two of her top priorities. The County's new green approach to the cleanup of Onondaga Lake is already paying dividends, and in 2008 Clay residents voted to merge their police department with the county saving taxpayers \$1 million.

Since graduating from the Syracuse University School of Management and the Syracuse University College of Law, County Executive Mahoney worked first in private practice before

becoming a criminal prosecutor with the Onondaga County District Attorney's Office. Prior to being elected County Executive, she served on the Syracuse Common Council for four years.

County Executive Mahoney resides in the Town of DeWitt. She has been married to Marc Overdyk since 1994, and they have four sons.

Mayor Adam Ortiz

Adam Ortiz serves as Mayor of Edmonston, a small working class town outside of Washington DC, in Prince George's County, Maryland. Under his administration, he has boosted public safety and cut crime in half, established financial accountability, and ended years of flooding by securing the construction of a state-of-the-art \$6 million flood control system. Mayor Ortiz has hired bilingual staff in all departments to improve community accessibility to services, and launched a Green Agenda – reforming services and programs in an environmentally responsible manner including the construction of the east coast's first Green Street with strong support from President Obama's administration. He also negotiated a landmark agreement with the Wal-Mart Corporation, prohibiting guns, ammunition and other community-oriented measures for a local store.

He is a board member of the Port Towns Community Development Corporation, the Anacostia Watershed Society and President of the Maryland Mayors Association. His position as Mayor is a volunteer position, and serves in a full time capacity as Deputy Chief of Staff for Maryland Lieutenant Governor Anthony Brown. He was born and raised in New York and has a B.A. with Honors in Political Science from Goucher College, Baltimore.

William K. Reilly

William K. Reilly is a Founding Partner of Aqua International Partners, LP, a private equity fund dedicated to investing in companies engaged in water and renewable energy, and a Senior Advisor to TPG Capital, LP, an international investment partnership. Mr. Reilly served as the first Payne Visiting Professor at Stanford University (1993-1994), Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (1989-1993), president of the World Wildlife Fund (1985-1989), president of The Conservation Foundation (1973-1989), and director of the Rockefeller Task Force on Land Use and Urban Growth from (1972-1973). He was head of the U.S. delegation to the United Nations Earth Summit at Rio in 1992.

Mr. Reilly is Chairman Emeritus of the Board of the World Wildlife Fund, Co-Chair of the National Commission on Energy Policy, Chairman of the Board of the ClimateWorks Foundation, Chairman of the Advisory Board for the Nicholas Institute for Environmental Policy Solutions at Duke University, Chairman of the Board for the Global Water Challenge and a Director of the Packard Foundation and the National Geographic Society and a member of Gov. Schwarzenegger's Delta Vision Blue Ribbon Task Force. He also serves on the Board of Directors of DuPont, ConocoPhillips, Royal Caribbean International and Energy Future Holdings, for which he serves as Chairman of the Sustainable Energy Advisory Board. In 2007 Mr. Reilly was elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. He holds a B.A. degree from Yale, J.D. from Harvard and M.S. in Urban Planning from Columbia University.

William D. Ruckelshaus

William D. Ruckelshaus is currently a Strategic Director in the Madrona Venture Group, formed in 1999 and a principal in Madrona Investment Group, L.L.C. (MIG), a Seattle based investment

company, formed in 1996. He was Chairman/CEO of Browning-Ferris Industries from 1988 to 1995 and Chairman from 1995 to 1999.

Born in Indianapolis, Indiana on July 24, 1932, Mr. Ruckelshaus graduated cum laude from Princeton University in 1957 with a Bachelor of Arts degree and obtained his law degree from Harvard University in 1960. He began a career in law with the Indianapolis firm of Ruckelshaus, Bobbitt and O'Connor in 1960 and was associated with the firm for eight years. In addition, he was Deputy Attorney General of Indiana from 1960 through 1965. He was a member of the Indiana House of Representatives and its majority leader from 1967 to 1969. The President appointed him for the years 1969 and 1970 as Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Civil Division for the U.S. Department of Justice.

Mr. Ruckelshaus became the United States Environmental Protection Agency's first Administrator when the agency was formed in December 1970, where he served until April 1973. In April 1973 he was appointed acting Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and in the same year was appointed Deputy Attorney General of the United States Department of Justice.

From 1974 through 1976, Mr. Ruckelshaus was a senior partner in the Washington, DC law firm of Ruckelshaus Beveridge & Fairbanks. He joined Weyerhaeuser Company in Tacoma, Washington as Senior Vice President for Law and Corporate Affairs from 1976 to 1983 and was responsible for policy setting and coordination of the company's key external relationships and its legal service functions. In 1983, Mr. Ruckelshaus was appointed by President Reagan as the fifth EPA Administrator until 1985. He served until joining Perkins Coie in 1985, a Seattle based law firm.

Currently, he is Chairman of the Board of Isilon Systems and on the board of TVW. From July 1997 to July 1998, President Clinton appointed him as the U.S. envoy in the implementing of the Pacific Salmon Treaty and in 1999 he was appointed by Governor Gary Locke as the Chairman of the Salmon Recovery Funding Board for the State of Washington and in May, 2007 appointed by Governor Christine Gregoire as Chairman of the Leadership Council of the Puget Sound Partnership. On June, 2001, he was appointed by President Bush as a member of the Commission on Ocean Policy which was created by Congress in 2000.

He currently serves on the Board of numerous profit and non for profit organizations, i.e., The Energy Foundation, Center for Global Development and founding Director of the Initiative for Global Development.

Mr. Ruckelshaus and his wife, Jill, reside in Seattle, Washington. They have five children and 12 grandchildren.

Doug Scott

Doug Scott was appointed Director of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency effective July 1, 2005 and continues to serve under the leadership of Governor Pat Quinn.

From 1995-2001 he served as an Illinois State Representative for the 67th District. He served on the Energy and Environment Committee, and was a member of the committee that rewrote the States' electric utility laws.

Doug Scott was elected to the Office of the Mayor of Rockford in April 2001 and served a four-year term. In addition to being elected to leadership positions in the Illinois Municipal League, United States Conference of Mayors and national League of Cities, Scott has served as President of the Illinois Chapter of the National Brownfields Association.

Director Scott took over leadership of the nation's oldest state environmental agency on the 35th anniversary date of the Illinois EPA's start on July 1, 1970. He is committed to maintaining and enhancing the Agency's key role in protecting our air, land and water making government more accountable and accessible to citizens and the regulated community, including local governments and business. Director Scott chaired the Illinois Governor's Climate Change Advisory Committee, which made recommendations on reducing greenhouse gas emissions in Illinois, and serves on the Midwestern Governors' Association panel developing a regional cap-and-trade system. He also served two years as Chair of the Air Committee for Environmental Council of the States (ECOS), currently is chairman of The Climate Registry Board of Directors and also serves on the US EPA Environmental Financial Advisory Board and the Keystone Foundation Energy Board.

Director Scott was born in Rockford in 1960 and with honors from the University of Tulsa in 1982, and then received a law degree with honors from Marquette University in 1985. Doug served as Assistant City Attorney and City Attorney for Rockford from 1985 to 1995.

Robert L. Zimmerman, Jr.

Robert Zimmerman, Jr., is the Executive Director of the Charles River Watershed Association. Founded in 1965, CRWA is a private nonprofit environmental advocacy, research, and education group charged with using science and the law to protect and enhance the Charles River and its watershed. Zimmerman joined CRWA in 1991. Over the past 17 years, CRWA has become a leading authority on the science of how water works in urban watersheds, and has developed projects that address issues such as stormwater pollution, water quality, low instream flow, nutrient loading, habitat protection and restoration, community zoning, suburban sprawl and sustainable development. CRWA has also led initiatives that reformed Massachusetts' park and open space agencies, and protected essential urban parkland while fundamentally changing the process used to dispose of protected open space. Through litigation, CRWA has won revisions to state regulations that protect water resources, requiring a more careful balance between human demand and natural resource need.

A leader in the state's environmental community, Zimmerman seeks non-traditional solutions to old environmental problems. He has been appointed by four governors to the Massachusetts Water Resources Commission, and represents the environmental community on several statewide task forces. He is currently a member of the River Network Board of Directors and the MIT Seagrass Advisory Board.

Prior to working at CRWA, he co-founded, and was the Headmaster of, the National Sports Academy at Lake Placid, a boarding school offering a complete preparatory curriculum and world-class training program for winter sports athletes. He earned an MA in English, and a BA in English and History from Central Michigan University.