

About the Speakers

Tana Bigelow – New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation

Ms. Bigelow is the Green Infrastructure Coordinator for the NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation, NYS's water, wastewater and stormwater infrastructure bank. She is responsible for technical review of EFC's green infrastructure projects and for outreach and development of its award winning Green Innovation Grant Program, which has provided over \$100 Million to 138 green and innovative projects across the State since 2009.

Ms. Bigelow holds a Bachelor's of Landscape Architecture and has worked as an urban designer and planner for over 15 years.

Dr. Eric Holmlund – Adirondack Watershed Institute Stewardship Program

Eric Holmlund is the Interim Dean of the School of Commercial, Applied and Liberal Arts at Paul Smith's College. He has served as professor of Environmental Studies and Program Director of Environmental Studies, Liberal Arts and Recreation. He is also the Director of the Adirondack Watershed Institute Stewardship Program, which works to prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species on waterways across the Adirondack region.

As Director of the Watershed Stewardship Program, he has written grants for invasive species spread prevention that have been awarded approximately \$4.1 million in state, federal, and private foundation funding since 2000. Eric Holmlund holds a Bachelor's Degree in English Literature from Dartmouth College, a Master's Degree in Outdoor Recreation from Southern Illinois University, a Master's Degree in Secondary English Education from the State University of New York at Potsdam, and a Ph.D. in Environmental Studies from Antioch University New England.

Karl Czymmek – Cornell University

Karl Czymmek is a Senior Extension Associate for Cornell University's PRO-DAIRY Program in Ithaca, NY. He has been a member of the PRO-Dairy team since 1999 and has statewide extension responsibilities in the area of nutrient management for field crops with emphasis on CAFO and regulatory issues.

Mr. Czymmek holds a BS degree from Cornell University, where he majored in Agronomy and a Juris Doctor degree from the University of Buffalo School of Law. He was admitted to the NY Bar in 1994.

Mr. Czymmek has a strong background in production agriculture, including dairy and crop farm experience. He works with producers, public and private planners, researchers and state and federal agency staff to communicate issues relating to farming, regulations and science with the goal to help design and implement practical solutions that enhance farm production and sustainability.