

# BARNEGAT BAY STAKEHOLDER MEETING

## *Establishing A Pollution Budget for Barnegat Bay: The Proposed Nitrogen Water Quality Standard*

The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP), in collaboration with Barnegat Bay partners, is announcing the first of three information sessions on the development of a nitrogen water quality standard proposed for the Barnegat Bay and its watershed. The water quality standard will be achieved through a total maximum daily load (TMDL) which establishes the nonpoint source load reductions needed throughout the watershed to achieve the target nitrogen water quality standard in the Bay.

These information sessions are informal open forums intended for public participation in advance of proposing the TMDL for formal public comment. The NJDEP is seeking participation from the public, local, county and federal governments, business and industry, civic associations, environmental organizations, academic experts, and other interested stakeholders.

### **Session 1**

#### ***An Overview of the Initiative to Develop a Barnegat Bay Nitrate Water Quality Standard***

**Wednesday, Nov. 29, 2023; 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.**

**Ocean County College,  
Gateway Bldg. Lecture Hall**

***Or virtually; see RSVP link. The presentation will be recorded and posted online.***

#### **Meeting Points**

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- Welcome and Opening Remarks
  - Recognition & Appreciation of Barnegat Bay Estuary Program Policy Committee Members
  - Highlights of Barnegat Bay 10-Point Plan
  - Moving Science into Action: Monitoring, Modeling, and Total Nitrogen Target Overview
  - Protecting Barnegat Bay through the TMDL & Ongoing Initiatives
  - Timeline, Next Sessions, and Next Steps
- Presentations will include question and answer time.



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