

## **PRELIMINARY AGENDA – PUBLIC HEALTH AND OUR PORTS: THE ROAD TO CLEAN AIR**

### **Registration and Coffee: 8:00am**

### **PORT COMMUNITY AND PORT TOUR (8:30am-10:50am)**

- **Ana Baptista**, *Assistant Professor, Chair of Environmental Policy and Sustainability Management Program, The New School*
- **Maida Galvez**, *Pediatrician, Associate Professor, Environmental Medicine & Public Health, Mt. Sinai*
- **Amy Goldsmith**, *State Director, Clean Water Action*
- **Rob Laumbach**, *Physician, Director, Community Engagement Core, Rutgers, Center for Environmental Exposures and Disease*
- **Melissa Miles**, *Organizer, Ironbound Community Corporation in Newark*
- **Beth Rooney**, *Assistant Director, Strategy & Innovation at The Port Authority of New York & New Jersey*
- **Nicole Scott-Harris**, *Newark Organizer, New Jersey Environmental Justice Alliance*

### **Welcome (11:10am-11:30am)**

**Perry Halkitis**, *Dean, Rutgers School of Public Health*

**Leslie Kantor**, *Chair, Rutgers School of Public Health's Department of Urban-Global Public Health*

### **Overview: 11:30am to 12:00pm:**

**Rob Laumbach**, MD, MPH, *Associate Professor, Rutgers School of Public Health, Director Community Engagement, Center for Environmental Exposure and Disease*

### **Lunch: 12:00-1:00pm**

**Film: *Countdown to Cleaner Air: Street Scientists and the Fight for First Street* (12:30pm)**

**Keynote: Mayor Christian Bollwage (12:40 pm)**

**Elizabeth Truck Ban Champions: Walter Leak, Assemblywoman Quijano**

### **PANELS:**

#### **1. Defining the Problem(s): (1:00pm to 2:00pm)**

Characterizing the air quality impacts of Port of Newark/Elizabeth operations, ranging from neighborhood-level diesel truck emissions to global climate change, and their effects on health and well-being.

**Moderator: Judith Graber PhD, Associate Professor, Rutgers School of Public Health**

- **Felisia Bowen**, *Rutgers Professor, PhD, APN, PNP*
- **Howard Kipen**, *M. D. MPH. Professor at the Rutgers School of Public Health, Division Chief of Clinical Research and Occupational Medicine at Rutgers EOHSI*
- **Walter Leak**, *Deacon, Mt. Calvary United Church of the Deliverance*

- **Elyse Pivnick**, *Director of Environmental Health for the Center for Energy and Environmental Training at Isles, Inc. in Trenton, NJ*
- **Mark Wade**, *Director of the Newark Health Department*

## **2. Potential Solutions (Technology): 2:00pm to 3pm**

Considering options for reducing human exposure to diesel emissions from trucks, port equipment, and vessels in local communities, among workers, and in the broader region, now and in the longer term.

**Moderator: Lauren Boles, Executive Director, New Jersey Environmental Justice Alliance**

- **Richard Caddell**, *Coalition for Responsible Transportation*
- **Kim Gaddy**, *Environmental Justice Organizer, Clean Water Action*
- **Peg Hanna**, *Manager, NJDEP*
- Stephanie Lagos, *Chief of Staff, First Lady Tammy Murphy, State of New Jersey*
- **Anne Strauss-Wieder**, *Director of Freight Planning, North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority*
- **Dan Birkett**, *Scientist, EPA*

## **3. Research to Action (3:00pm to 4:15pm)**

Deciding on priorities for action, generating political will, and finding the means for voluntary actions or regulatory/legislative mandates to reduce emissions and improve public health.

**Moderator: TBD**

- Rick Cameron, *Deputy Executive Director Port of Long Beach*
- **Amy Goldsmith**, *State Director, Clean Water Action*
- **Catherine McCabe**, *Commissioner, New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection*
- **Assemblywoman Nancy Pinkin**
- **Beth Rooney**, *Assistant Director, Strategy & Innovation at The Port Authority of New York & New Jersey*
- **Nicky Sheats**, *Director of the Center for Urban Environment at the John S. Watson Institute for Public Policy of Thomas Edison State College.*
- **Maddie Urbish**, *Policy Adviser, Office of the Governor, State of New Jersey*

**Summation and Closing Remarks, Helmut Zarbl, 4:15-4:30pm**