

New York and Rhode Island Sea Grant Programs Sponsoring an Information Workshop on VHS, Viral Hemorrhagic Septicemia, for Marine Extension and Fish Health Professionals.

When/Where: Friday, October 17th The location of the VHS workshop on October 17 is the Hazard Rooms in the Coastal Institute on the URI Narragansett Bay Campus (the Graduate School of Oceanography Campus) in Narragansett, RI.

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Workshop Agenda:

- **9:00** Welcome, introductions, housekeeping, purpose/outcomes of workshop (VHS as a potentially emerging issue in the Great Lakes and possibly in the Northwest Atlantic) Dave Beutel, RI Sea Grant and Dave MacNeill, NY Sea Grant
- **9:15** Overview of Fish Diseases in Marine and Freshwater Fisheries. Dr. Paul Bowser, Cornell College of Veterinary Medicine and Dr. Mark Fast, SoMas (School of Marine and Atmospheric Science), SUNY Stony Brook.
- **9:55** Emergence of VHSV in the Great Lakes Basin. Dr. Paul Bowser
- **10:40** Break
- **11:00** Virology 101: The VHSV Rhabdovirus, Possible mechanics of spread, Genetics. Dr. Jim Casey
- **11:40** Q&A
- **12:00 – 1:00** Lunch
- **1:00** VHS Diagnostics: Dr. Jim Casey, Cornell College of Veterinary Medicine.
- **1:40** The role of USDA APHIS in Fish Health Management: Dr. Paul Egrie APHIS, Washington D.C.
- **2:10** The Fish Inspection Process- Dr. Andy Goodwin
- **2:50** Break
- **3:00** Discussion
- **3:30** Adjournment

Directions to the URI Narragansett Bay Campus:

From the West: Via Rt. 1. Interstate 95N to Exit 92 in Conn. Right turn after leaving expressway, then about 1.5 mi. on Conn. 2 to 78. Take Rt. 78E (a barrier divides the roadway) 4 mi. to Rt. 1N in Westerly, R.I. Go left on Rt. 1N for about 27 mi. to intersection of Rts. 1 and 138. Make a right onto Bridgetown Rd. Continue to next traffic signal (intersection of Bridgetown Road and Scenic 1A). Cross intersection onto South Ferry Rd. Continue past South Ferry Industrial Park on the right and South Ferry Church on the left. Entrance to campus is on the right.

Via Rt. 138. Interstate 95N to exit 3A in R.I. (Kingston exit). Turn right off exit ramp onto Rt. 138E (Kingstown Rd.). Continue on 138 (passing the University's Kingston Campus on the left) to Rt. 1 and cross the junction onto Bridgetown Rd. Continue on Bridgetown Rd. to South Ferry Rd. Continue past South Ferry Industrial Park on the right and South Ferry Church on the left. Entrance to campus is on the right.

From the North: Interstate 95S toward N.Y. and Narragansett. (From T.F. Green Airport, follow the Airport Connector signs to join 95S at exit 13.) Continue on 95S to Exit 9 and exit in left lane off highway onto Rt. 4S. Continue to Rt. 1 and the junction of Rt. 138W. Take a left at the tower onto Bridgetown Rd. Continue to South Ferry Rd. Continue past South Ferry Industrial Park on the right and South Ferry Church on the left. Entrance to campus is on the right.

From the East: Rt. 195 to 24S to 138W. Cross Newport (toll \$2) and Jamestown Bridges. Take the first exit after the bridge onto Rt. 1A toward Narragansett. Continue south to the first traffic signal and make a left onto South Ferry Rd. Continue past South Ferry Industrial Park on the right and South Ferry Church on the left. Entrance to campus is on the right.

Nearby lodging (nothing is really near) can be obtained at:

The Hamilton Village Inn. 642 Boston Neck Rd., North Kingstown, RI 02852, www.hamiltonvillageinn.com 401-295-0700

Holiday Inn South County, 3009 Tower Hill Rd. South Kingstown, RI 02880, 401-789-1051

The Village Inn and Resort, One Beach Street, Narragansett, RI 02882, www.v-inn.com 800-843-7437

Hampton Inn-South Kingstown, South County Commons, 20 Commerce Drive, South Kingstown, RI 02880, 401-788-3500