



# Rhode Island Rivers Council

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## **Meeting Notice (IN-PERSON ONLY)**

DEM Office of Water Resources - Conference Room 280C

235 Promenade Street, Providence, RI

**Wednesday, January 14, 2026 at 3:30 pm**

- 3:30 Call to Order, Introductions, and Attendance
- 3:35 Approval of meeting minutes (December 2025)
- 3:40 Discussion: 2026 Discussion Topics for Future Meetings and Annual Meeting Speaker
- 4:10 Reports by RIRC Representatives on State Committees:
  - Narragansett Bay Estuary Program - Walter Berry
  - State Guide Plan Advisory Committee – Paul Gonsalves
  - Department of Environmental Management Watershed Section – Betsy Dake
  - Report by RIRC Representative on Water Resources Board - Eugenia Marks
- 4:30 Officer Reports, Financial Report, Social Media Report
- 4:35 Reports of activities in Designated Local Watershed Councils:
  - Wood-Pawcatuck Watershed Association
  - Woonasquatucket River Watershed Council
  - Blackstone River Watershed Council / Friends of the Blackstone
  - Buckeye Brook Coalition
  - Moshassuck, Friends of
  - Narrow River Preservation Association
  - Pawtuxet River Authority and Watershed Council
  - Salt Ponds Coalition
  - Ten Mile River Watershed Council
- 5:10 Committee Reports, Climate Change Study Commission Report, Legislation Report, Grant Report
- 5:15 Other Business
- 5:25 Chair's Report
- 5:30 Adjournment

Please note that reports are limited to 3 minutes each. If we are through the agenda early, we can entertain further discussion or reporting. Thank you for helping to keep us on schedule.

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