

## **Living Shorelines Training Workshop and Site Visit**

**Watson Municipal Park and Fore River Site**

**Hosted at the Braintree Yacht Club**

**9 Gordon Rd. Braintree, MA 02184**

**Wednesday, April 2, 2025**

**8:45 Arrivals: Coffee and tea (provided on site)**

**9:00 Welcome from the Planning Team:** Joan LeBlanc, NROC and Stephen Kirk, TNC

- Introduction to NROC-TNC partnership to advance living shorelines in New England
- Overview of workshop goals

**9:15 Town of Braintree: Laura Morrison, Town Conservation Planner**

- Site background and community context
- Shoreline Stabilization and Green Infrastructure at Watson Park
- Climate adaptation components
- Q&A and discussion

**9:45 MA CZM: Julia Knisel, Coastal Shoreline & Floodplain Manager**

- Current state programs related to living shorelines and regulatory frameworks
- Q&A and discussion

**10:15 Woods Hole Group: Adam Finkle, Senior Coastal Scientist**

- Living shoreline site selection, assessment criteria, design considerations.
- Shoreline protection and stabilization approaches for different environments
- Co-benefits of living shorelines and green infrastructure
- Q&A and discussion

**12:00 Lunch (provided on site)**

**12:30 Site Visit: Co-led by Adam Finkle and Laura Morrison**

- Subject matter experts on coastal engineering, climate adaptation, and coastal ecology will lead participants on a site walk to observe and discuss site characteristics, engineering considerations, and the nature-based approaches that were and are being implemented and monitored at the site.
- Q&A throughout the site walk

**2:00 Discussion and Closing**

- Event Planners will facilitate a closing discussion and debrief at the Braintree Yacht club, followed by space for continued networking and conversation