



SoundWaters

PROTECTING LONG ISLAND SOUND THROUGH EDUCATION

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**National Public Radio's Ira Flatow to Moderate Panel on
Climate Science Education in Connecticut**

New State Law Takes Effect in July

STAMFORD, CT/April 18, 2023 – SoundWaters has been teaching climate science for three decades. On May 15, the Stamford-based nonprofit will host “Building a Resilient Community Through Climate Science Education” to discuss Connecticut’s new state law requiring climate science to be taught in all public schools as of July 2023. Connecticut is the only state that has made such a cutting-edge and forward-thinking mandate.

Ira Flatow, host of NPR’s popular *Science Friday* program, will moderate a panel of education and legislative leaders including Stamford Public Schools Superintendent Tamu Lucero, Connecticut State Representative Corey Paris, Ridgefield High School Science Teacher Arlyn Kilduff, and SoundWaters President Leigh Shemitz. The panel will be followed by audience Q&A and a light reception.

Flatow will lead an important discussion with panelists about what the new law entails, how it is being implemented in our schools and the possible challenges in doing so, and what it means for communities across Connecticut.

“Building a Resilient Community Through Climate Science Education” will take place on Monday, May 15, 2023, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the Cohen SoundWaters Harbor Center, 200 Southfield Avenue in Stamford. The event is free and open to parents, educators and community members. Space is limited so advance registration is required. For more information and to register, visit SoundWaters.org/May15.

About SoundWaters

Founded in 1989, SoundWaters is devoted to the protection of Long Island Sound and its watershed by means of access and education for the surrounding community. In pursuit of this aim, SoundWaters hosts shipboard and land-based programs for more than 30,000 students each year, from pre-K through high school. The organization provides students with powerful science enrichment, and both children and adults with an understanding of the changes they can make to restore and preserve Long Island Sound and its environment. By fostering equity of access to this natural resource, SoundWaters promotes a healthy, resilient future for the Sound, the region, and its people. For more information, visit soundwaters.org.

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