Pacific Northwest Consortium on Plastics Spring 2022 Newsletter





July Teleconference







Top Left: Anja Brandon, Top Right: Britta Baechler,

July 13th, 2022 • 9:00 - 11:00AM PDT • Virtual

Join us for a summer teleconference where we will hear presentations from:

- **Anja Brandon:** U.S. Plastics Policy Analyst at Ocean Conservancy working to advance plastic policy solutions at the state and federal level.
- **Britta Baechler:** Senior Manager for Ocean Plastics Research at Ocean Conservancy, lead primary research on varied topics related to the impacts of plastic pollution, from inland out to sea and public knowledge and perceptions of the issue.
- Lisa Erdle: Director of Research and Innovation at The 5 Gyres Institute, working on plastic pollution issues such as microfiber contamination from dryers.
- Valerie Hanley: Staff Toxicologist in the Human and Ecological Risk Office at the California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) in Sacramento, CA; co-chair of the Interstate Technology Regulatory Council microplastics working group.

SETAC Annual Meeting 13-17 November 2022

Do you want to share the research you are doing on micro/nanoplastics?

Consider submitting an <u>abstract</u> to one of these

sessions at the Society of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry annual meeting to be held in *Pittsburgh, PA on 13-17 November 2022.*

4.13 | In the neighborhood and out to sea: Shedding light on tire wear microplastics

This session aims to present the latest environmental science on the subject of tire wear particles and associated chemicals, broadly defined across size fractions and tire composition, including detection, characterization, fate, transport, toxicity, risk assessment and development of science-based management responses.



5.13 Microplastics in the Environment and Risk Assessment: A One-Health Perspective – Special Session

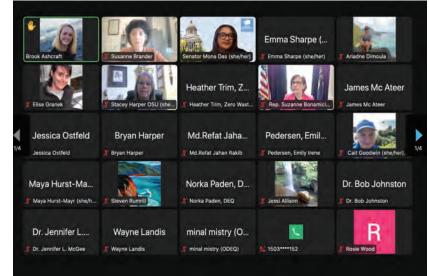
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Subject matter experts will critically review the state of the science on understanding environmental MNP exposure and their potential impact on ecology and human health from a One Health perspective.



Our Spring Teleconference was a success as we were joined by Senator Das (D-WA) and Congresswoman Bonamici (D-OR) who shared updates on plastic-related legislation. We also saw presentations from Dr. Granek (PSU) and Dr. Masura (UW-Tacoma) and their student researchers on current research on the occurrence of microplastics in the PNW.

A full recording of the teleconference can be found on our website, pnwmicroplastics.org, as well as our YouTube channel, PNW Consortium on Plastics.







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