



**Science and Technical Advisory Committee**  
**Partnership for the Delaware Estuary:**  
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**Agenda for STAC meeting**

**Wednesday, March 28, 2007**

**9:30 A.M. to 3:30 P.M.**

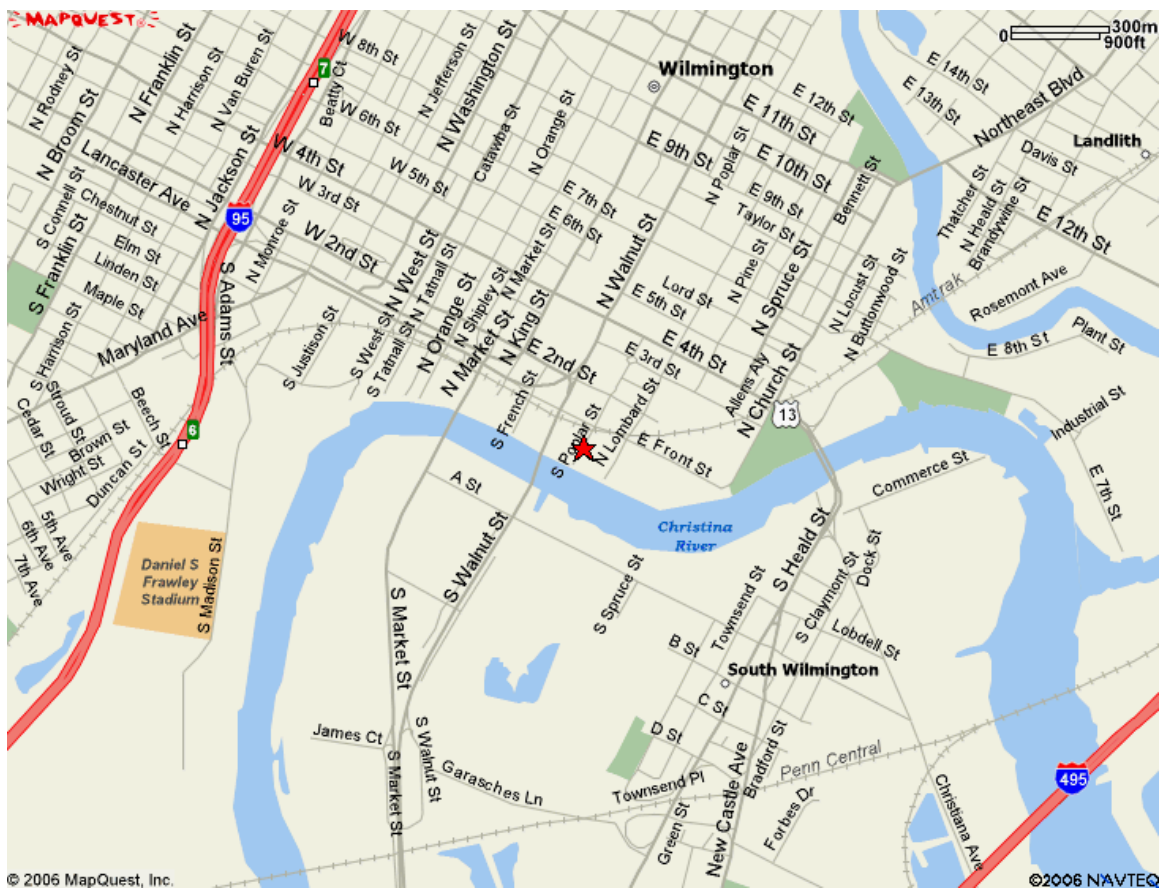
**Offices of the Partnership for the Delaware Estuary - Wilmington, DE**

- 9:30 – 9:45      **Welcome & Introductions**  
*Dan Soeder, USGS, STAC Chair*  
- Discussion and Approval of Minutes from the 1/4/07 STAC meeting
- 9:45 – 10:00    **PDE Updates & Strategic Planning**  
*Martha Maxwell-Doyle, PDE, Deputy Director*
- 10:00 – 11:00   **Report on PDE Science Initiatives and Opportunities**  
*Danielle Kreeger, PDE, Science Director*  
- Science Conference report, statistics, products (update, feedback)  
- State of the Basin/Estuary Report (brief update)  
- Integrated monitoring and observing (MWQMN, MACOORA update)  
- Regional restoration initiatives (intro to concept, STAC input sought)  
*Krista Laudenbach-Nelson, PDE, Watershed Restoration Coordinator*  
- Delaware Estuary Benthic Inventory (DEBI) (workshop, next steps)  
- Website plans (brief update on future plans, STAC ideas sought)  
- PDE on-the-ground restoration science projects (update)
- 11:00 – 11:30   **Selection of 2007 STAC Project(s) - Dan Soeder**  
- Review STAC rankings of proposals reviewed prior to meeting, discuss whether to fund one or two projects, prepare a motion, vote.
- 11:30 – 12:00   **Advocacy – Danielle Kreeger**  
- Review STAC charter, discuss meaning of “advocacy” and clarify STAC versus PDE roles and responsibilities (discussion)
- 12:00 – 1:00    **Lunch** (continued discussions of above)
- 12:00 – 12:30   **Ecosystem-Based Management and Restoration - Dan Soeder**  
- Continue discussion from last STAC meeting and Science Conference. What does this mean and what can we do? (discussion)
- 12:30 – 1:30    **EIC Challenge Question to the STAC - Dan Soeder**  
- What are the top three science and management actions that could be taken that would lead to the most positive and direct (on-the-ground) environmental improvement in the Estuary? (discussion)  
- Plans for an annual joint EIC/STAC meeting (update and discussion)
- 1:30 – 2:00     **PDE Challenge Question to the STAC - Danielle Kreeger**  
What can PDE and the STAC do to identify challenges and solutions related to climate change effects in the DE Estuary (discussion)

- 2:00 – 2:45      **STAC Membership and 2007 Elections - Danielle Kreeger**  
                         - Review Charter, 2007-2008 Term Nominations, Elections (STAC  
                         discusses and agrees to protocols)
- 2:45 – 3:00      **Action Items, Future Meeting Plans and Other Business**
- 3:00                **Adjourn**

For additional information or to suggest topics for the agenda, please contact **Dan Soeder**,  
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A map and the STAC membership list are attached below. If you have any travel or parking problems the day of the meeting, please call Danielle's cell phone at 610-329-0055.



**Location:** The meeting will be held in the conference room at the office of Partnership for the Delaware Estuary, One Riverwalk Plaza, 110 South Poplar Street, Wilmington, DE 19801. The PDE office is on the second floor.

**DELEP STAC Members:**

- Ken Anderson – PADEP
- Gregory Breese – USFWS
- Gary Buchanan – NJDEP
- Lance H. Butler – PWD
- Tom Fikslin – DRBC
- Dewayne Fox – Delaware State Univ
- Jack Gallagher - Univ of Delaware
- Simeon Hahn – NOAA
- Jawed Hameedi – NOAA
- Bob Hoke - DuPont
- Amy Jacobs – DNREC
- Desmond Kahn - DNREC
- Sue Kilham – Drexel University
- John Krauerer – Rutgers University
- Danielle Kreeger – PDE

- Larry Miller – USFWS
- Dave Russell – EPA Region 3
- Jonathan Sharp – Univ of Delaware
- Dan Soeder - USGS
- Chris Sommerfield - Univ of Delaware
- David Velinsky - Acad Nat Sciences