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## **Saginaw Bay Coastal Initiative Presentation**

The Department of Natural Resources and Environment and the Partnership for the Saginaw Bay Watershed will be hosting a presentation by Amy Babcock regarding Toxics and Regulation, on May 5, at 3 p.m. at the Bay City State Recreation Area Visitors Center.

Ms. Babcock's presentation, "Toxicology 103: Toxics and Regulation" will provide an overview of how regulations for toxic contaminants in Michigan have developed and changed over time and what the regulations actually mean. Her talk will be focused on the priority toxic contaminants in the Saginaw River and Bay Area of Concern.

Ms. Babcock is a toxicologist for the Water Resource Division, DNRE, and the current Chair of the DNRE Toxics Steering Group. Her primary role with the DNRE is to perform risk assessments for the groundwater program and provide support to the surface water and drinking water programs. In addition to her duties at the DNRE, Amy is an adjunct professor in the Science Department at Lansing Community College.

This presentation is the third in a series of discussions focused on toxic pollutants in Saginaw Bay, a priority issue identified through the Saginaw Bay Coastal Initiative.

Details of the Saginaw Bay Coastal Initiative and additional information are available online at <http://www.michigan.gov/deg> under "Issues to Watch."

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