

Jeanne Christie, Executive Director, Association of State Wetland Managers

Jeanne has been with ASWM since 1999 and Executive Director since 2001. ASWM's primary mission is to support the incorporation of sound science into public policy and assist states in building state wetland program capacity. Jeanne has led projects to improve wetland restoration science, respond to proposed revisions to Clean Water Act jurisdiction, improve wetlands mapping methodologies and a host of other science and policy related projects. From 1995 to 1999 she was a Resource Conservationist with the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service, Wetlands and Watersheds Division where she was national program leader for the Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program. She worked for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Wetlands Division (1988-1995) moving from the staff level to Section Chief and Acting Branch Chief. As an environmental planner at the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (1985-1988) responsibilities included the Green Bay Remedial Action Plan and the 208 Watershed Plan for Southeastern Wisconsin. Jeanne is a 2007 winner of the National Wetlands Award for Education and Outreach. During her spare time she does volunteer work with the Maine Chapter of the Appalachian Mountain Club, the Maine Master Gardeners and the Maine Master Naturalists. She lives in an 1885 farmhouse in Windham, ME with her husband Larry and their 'rescued' animal companions Navia, Gabby and Connie.