

UAA Professional Development Seminar Series

Paying for Rain: A Brief History of Stormwater Fees in the United States

Presented by Brian Chalfant

This presentation will explore the evolution of stormwater fees enacted by local governments in the United States over the past 50 years. While underscoring the strong influence that federal and state regulation of municipal stormwater water systems has played in popularizing stormwater fees among local governments in the United States, the research presented in this presentation also highlights the crucial role that state-level legislation, judicial decisions, and other factors have on expanding or contracting the options local governments have with respect to financing stormwater management.

Brian Calfant earned a B.S. in Biology and an M.S. in Environmental Science and Engineering from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. After serving with the AmeriCorps Appalachian Coal County Team, Brian worked for the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection for seven years as an aquatic and landscape ecologist. After completing his PhD at the University of Pittsburgh, Brian returned to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Policy where he currently serves as Deputy Policy Director.

Friday, March 8, 2019 11:45 am-12:45 pm UAA College of Engineering, EIB 211