

Where Are We Growing? Planning for New Jersey's Next 20 Years

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8:00a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Woodrow Wilson School, Princeton University

DESCRIPTION:

New Jersey is widely viewed as a national leader when it comes to state planning, smart growth and land preservation, and has distinguished itself as a state that understands that where and how growth takes place is critical to the state's prosperity. But with more than twenty years' experience with the State Planning Act under its belt, how have things actually worked out for the Garden State? What type of state planning system makes sense to shape the next 20 years? We hope you will join the Policy Research Institute for the Region at Princeton University and New Jersey Future for a dynamic discussion on the future of state planning in New Jersey.

AGENDA

8:00 a.m. Registration/Breakfast

8:30 a.m. Welcome and Introduction

Speakers:

- Richard F. Keevey, Director, Policy Research Institute for the Region, Princeton University
- Peter Kasabach, Executive Director, New Jersey Future

8:45 a.m. A Vision for Prosperity

Past experience has driven New Jersey to experiment with regional and statewide land-use planning efforts in order to achieve the important goals of economic vitality, environmental preservation and equity. Hear from two key members of Governor Thomas Kean's administration about why they came to support state planning and eventually signed the State Planning Act in 1985.

Speakers:

- W. Cary Edwards, Esq., Of Counsel, Waters McPherson, McNeill; former Chief Counsel and Attorney General for Governor Thomas H. Kean
- Feather Houstoun, President, William Penn Foundation; former State Treasurer for Governor Thomas H. Kean

9:15 a.m. Where Are We Now?

A hard-hitting look at the impact of New Jersey's 20-plus years of state planning – both its successes and failures – by experts in the field.

Interviewer:

- Jim Hooker, Senior Anchor, NJN Public Broadcasting Authority

Panelists:

- Michele Byers, Executive Director, NJ Conservation Foundation; member, State Planning Commission
- Jack Lettiere, Consultant; former Commissioner, NJ Department of Transportation
- Joseph J. Maraziti, Jr., Esq., Partner, Maraziti, Falcon & Healey; former Chair, State Planning Commission
- Eileen Swan, Executive Director, NJ Highlands Council; former Executive Director, Office of Smart Growth

10:30 a.m.

What About the Map?

Though the existence of State Plan alone puts New Jersey in the forefront nationally, the plan does not enjoy widespread support within the state. There is an ongoing controversy over the way the planning area designations are created, and what those designations actually mean on the ground. This session will evaluate a new proposal for drawing and implementing the state plan area boundaries and consider whether this proposed process could lead to wider acceptance of the State Plan as a tool to guide growth within the state.

Moderator: Henry A. Coleman, PhD, Professor of Public Policy, Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy, Rutgers University

Presenter: Carleton Montgomery, Executive Director, Pinelands Preservation Alliance

Responders:

- Jim Waltman, Executive Director, Stony Brook-Millstone Watershed Association
- David Fisher, Vice President of Government Affairs, Matzel & Mumford; former Member, State Planning Commission
- Louise Wilson, Mayor, Montgomery Township; member, State Planning Commission

12:00 Noon

What About State-Level Coordination?

In order for the State Plan and its accompanying map to have a meaningful impact on the way New Jersey grows, its principles must be reflected in how and where state agencies promote or inhibit growth, whether through spending or regulation. How might the state's land-use planning functions be best positioned and organized to achieve coordination among state agencies?

Moderator: Peter Reinhart, Senior Vice President and General Counsel, K. Hovnanian Enterprises

Presenter: Peter Kasabach, Executive Director, New Jersey Future

Responders:

- Jeanne Fox, President, Board of Public Utilities, State of New Jersey
- Deborah Mans, Baykeeper and Executive Director, NY/NJ Baykeeper; former Smart Growth Ombudsperson, Policy Advisor and Governor's Representative to the State Planning Commission, Office of Governor Corzine
- Timothy J. Touhey, Chief Executive Officer/Executive Vice President, NJ Builders Association; former Chair, State Planning Commission

1:15 p.m.

Working Lunch

Having heard two concept proposals about how to reform the state planning process in New Jersey – both the map and the organizational structure within state government—the audience will be asked to respond to the various elements of the proposal.

Presenters:

- James G. Gilbert, Senior Vice President, Merrill Lynch; former Chair, State Planning Commission
- Ingrid W. Reed, Director, Eagleton New Jersey Project, Rutgers University

2:30 p.m.

Concluding Comments

Space is limited. Please register at: <http://www.princeton.edu/prior/events/conferences/where-are-we-growing-plan-1/index.xml>

Michele Byers

Michele Byers is the Executive Director of the New Jersey Conservation Foundation. She became Executive Director of NJCF in 1999. As Executive Director, Michele oversees all programs including land acquisition and stewardship, land use policy and conservation technical assistance to conservation partners. Prior to becoming Executive Director, she served as Assistant Director for 11 years and spearheaded NJCF's work in the Pine Barrens, helping found the Pinelands Preservation Alliance and Whitesbog Preservation Trust.

In 1995 Michele was appointed to the State Planning Commission and was named as Vice Chair in 1998. She serves as Chair of New Jersey State Committee of the Highlands Coalition, and former Chair of New Jersey's Freshwater Wetlands Mitigation Council. In 2003, Michele was appointed by Governor McGreevey to serve on the Highlands Task Force.

She serves as Advisor to the Hunterdon Land Trust Alliance, and is a member of the National Council of the Land Trust Alliance, and the NJ Trails Council. Michele also serves on the board of The Center for Non-Profit Organizations. She was a former President of the Whitesbog Preservation Trust, and previously served on the Burlington County Agriculture Development Board for over ten years.

Michele has a BA in Biology, Western State College, Gunnison, Colorado.

Henry A. Coleman

Henry A. Coleman is a professor of public policy in the Bloustein School's Public Policy Program and the Interim Director of the New Jersey Public Policy Research Institute. For almost 13 years, Coleman served as the director of the Center for Government Services, a component of the Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy at Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey.

Coleman served as the executive director of the New Jersey State and Local Expenditure and Revenue Policy (SLERP) Commission. He also served state government as the assistant director of operations and research at the Office of State Planning and as a senior policy advisor in Governor Florio's Office of Management and Policy.

Coleman was a Brookings Economic Policy Fellow, which he spent in the Office of Policy Development and Research at the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). He also served as a senior economist in the Office of the Chief Economist at the U.S. General Accounting Office (GAO) --- now the Government Accountability Office. His federal government service also includes having served as the director of Government Finance Research at the U.S. Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations (ACIR).

Coleman is a graduate of Morehouse College, with a B.A. in Economics, and Princeton University, with a Ph.D. in Economics.

W. Cary Edwards

Mr. Edwards is the former New Jersey Attorney General and Chief Legal Counsel to Governor Thomas H. Kean. Currently, he is "of counsel" to the law firm of Waters, McPherson, McNeill, P.C.

He is also the Chairman of the New Jersey State Commission on Investigation and has been a Commissioner since 1997.

He was a member of the New Jersey State Legislature and served in leadership positions, including assistant minority leader. Previously, he was elected Councilman and Council President for Oakland, NJ.

Edwards was a municipal attorney for 12 years, specializing in land use. He was the ranking minority member on the Municipal Government Committee, finalizing amendments to the Municipal Planning Act.

He is a Life Member of the Board of Trustees of Monmouth University, Lead Director of the Board of Directors of South Jersey Industries and former Chairman of South Jersey Sanitation, Inc.

Edwards is a Visiting Associate at Rutgers University Eagleton Institute of Public Policy and Politics. He received his undergraduate and law degrees from Seton Hall University. He is also the recipient of five Honorary Doctor of Law Degrees, and over 100 private and professional service awards. He is a member of numerous public and private non-profit boards and commissions.

David Fisher

David Fisher has been Vice President of Governmental Affairs for The Matzel & Mumford Organization for the past 16 years -- a building company that merged with K. Hovnanian Companies in 1999. Just recently, Dave's responsibilities were re-aligned to encompass governmental & public relations activities for all of K. Hovnanian's NJ, NY, PA and CT operations. As a land use planner with nearly 30 years of development experience, he has been responsible for land acquisition activities, the planning and design of new communities, urban redevelopment work, and regulatory approvals for company projects.

Mr. Fisher holds a Masters Degree in Community Planning from the University of Cincinnati, and has been a licensed Professional Planner in the State of New Jersey since 1986. Dave was appointed in January 2000 by Governor Whitman to serve on the NJ State Planning Commission, which he did for nearly five years. For two years, he Co-chaired a Joint Revitalization Task Force formed by the State to investigate ways to enhance brownfields redevelopment. Mr. Fisher also served as a member (and Chairman) of the NJ Clean Water Council for four years in the late-1980's.

Dave served two terms as President of the NJ Shore Builders Association, one of the local affiliates of the New Jersey Builders Association. He is actively involved with the State Builders group as a Life Director, and has chaired its Land Use & Planning Committee for many years.

He previously served as Vice President of the New Jersey Division of Leisure Technology, a nationwide builder of active adult communities; Vice President of Development Services for Gale, Wentworth & Dillon (now The Gale Company), a land development firm involved in office, commercial, and residential real estate; Principal Planner and Director of Regulatory Affairs for the consulting firm of Ernst, Ernst and Lissenden, Toms River; and Director of Environmental Affairs & Planning for the New Jersey Builders Association.

Jeanne M. Fox

Jeanne M. Fox is President of the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities and serves as a member of the Governor's Cabinet. Ms. Fox was appointed to the NJBPU on January 15, 2002 and was reconfirmed for a second term on March 16, 2009. The NJBPU has regulatory jurisdiction over telephone, electric, gas, water, wastewater and cable television companies and works to ensure that consumers have access to safe, reliable services at reasonable rates.

Ms. Fox is the chair of New Jersey's Energy Master Plan Committee, the interagency committee tasked by the Governor to update the state's Energy Master Plan. The plan is designed to ensure a reliable supply of energy while also achieving Governor Corzine's goals to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and create a 21st century energy infrastructure.

Ms. Fox is a member of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners. She sits on NARUC's Board of Directors; is Vice Chair of the Committee on Energy Resources and the Environment; is a member of the Committee on Critical Infrastructure and the Task Force on Climate Policy. She is also a member of the Executive Committee and immediate past President of the Mid-Atlantic Conference of Regulatory Utilities Commissioners. She serves on the Harvard Electricity Policy Group and the Advisory Council to the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee of the Electric Power Research Institute. She also served on the National Academy of Science Panel on Public Participation in Environmental Assessment and Decision Making. She is Chair of the National Council on Electricity Policy, a consortium of the National Governors' Association, National Council of State Legislatures, National Association of State Energy Officials, the U.S. Department of Energy, and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. She was also appointed by U.S.

Department of Energy Secretary Bodman to the department's Electricity Advisory Committee to provide senior-level counsel to him and to the department's Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability.

Under President Fox's leadership NJBPU has become a leader among states in developing clean energy policies, and promoting renewable energy and energy efficiency. Some of the accolades President Fox and the Board have received are the Golden Meter Award for Best Statewide Net Metering Program in the U.S., the New Jersey Chapter of Sierra Club's Outstanding Achievement Award, the Solar Energy Industries Association's Solar Champion 2005, AARP New Jersey's Leadership on Utility Consumer Issues Award, and the National Solar Industry Association's Award for Outstanding Leadership in Policy Development for Clean Energy.

Prior to her appointment to the board, Ms. Fox served as a Regional Administrator of the United States Environmental Protection Agency, and as Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and Energy.

Ms. Fox received a Bachelor's Degree from Douglass College, Rutgers and a Juris Doctor from the Rutgers University School of Law.

James G. Gilbert

James G. Gilbert is Senior Vice President at Merrill Lynch. He is responsible for corporate and government bond underwriting; syndication of equity and fixed-income securities; retail sales; investment management; and wealth management.

His current civic activities include Member, Board of Directors, New Jersey Planning Officials; Member, Board of Directors, New Jersey Conservation Foundation; Member, Board of Directors, New Jersey Future; Member, Board of Directors, Community Theatre, Morristown, NJ; and Member, Board of Directors, New Jersey Common Cause.

Jim's past civic activities include: Member, Joint Advisory Board, Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy/The Center for Urban Policy Research, Rutgers University; Chairman, New Jersey State Planning Commission; Member, Ad Hoc Committee to Draft State Planning Act; Member, Ad Hoc Committee to Draft the Fair Housing Act; President, New Jersey Federation of Planning Officials; and Chairman and Member, Englewood Planning Board.

Jim Hooker

Jim Hooker is Senior Anchor, *NJN News*. Jim is a seasoned journalist with deep background in the issues and politics of the state and credibility in Trenton, the state capitol. He has represented NJN nationally and abroad, and brings two decades of award-winning experience to the anchor chair. Jim is also Managing Editor of the news.

Hooker also serves as a host for the Emmy-nominated *Congress Watch* and *On The Record*, two NJN News public affairs programs. He has also contributed special reports and produced documentaries from such varied spots around the globe as China, Hong Kong and the Netherlands.

Jim was recently recognized with the prestigious national CINE Golden Eagle award for a documentary that aired on NJN in 2005 that he wrote, co-produced and hosted. The program, *Securing Our Ports*, probed the issue of port security in the Netherlands and New Jersey well before the Dubai ports controversy broke nationally.

Jim also helped NJN News win a 1996 Mid-Atlantic Emmy Award for best newscast. His contribution was a story about the concerns of residents of a North Jersey neighborhood that is home to a federal Superfund site which was visited by President Clinton. He has also won numerous regional and local press awards. In 2003, he won a first place feature reporting award from the Philadelphia Press Association for a story on a Newark soup kitchen. He has also been part of NJN's team coverage of U.S. presidential conventions in Los Angeles, Boston, Philadelphia and New York. One highlight from the 2000 presidential campaign was a one-on-one sit-down with President George W. Bush, then Governor of Texas.

Jim's work in journalism has been recognized repeatedly by his peers. In 2001, he was elected by reporters and bureau chiefs who cover the State House for other media outlets as president of the New Jersey Legislative Correspondents Club, becoming the first president in the club's 80-plus year history to come from the broadcast media.

Before joining NJN, Jim was a staff writer at three newspapers, including 10 years with The Times of Trenton and the Asbury Park Press. As a member of the Asbury Park Press State House bureau, Jim shared first place honors from the New Jersey Press Association for the bureau's reporting on the 1993 governor's race. Jim was also recognized for an award by the New Jersey Chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists in 1994, this time for public service, for a series of reports on sex offender notification programs in Washington State and their impact on neighborhoods and offenders. The series ran as lawmakers were debating Megan's Law.

In 1990, while with the Trenton Times State House Bureau, Jim was awarded the top prize for investigative reporting by the New Jersey Chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists. The Society recognized Jim's exposure of and subsequent reporting on millions of dollars in unauthorized spending by a New Jersey State official. His reports led to a new state law strengthening penalties for such actions.

Feather Houstoun

Feather Houstoun is the President of the William Penn Foundation. She is responsible for the strategic direction of the William Penn Foundation's grantmaking, as well as its external affairs, finances, and administration. Houstoun previously served on the Foundation's board of directors, as part of the team overseeing funding related to the environment and community development. She became president in early 2005.

Perhaps best known for her distinguished career in the public sector, Houstoun has worked at every level of government, serving as Pennsylvania's Secretary of Public Welfare during Governor Tom Ridge's administration, Treasurer of the State of New Jersey under Governor Tom Kean, chief financial officer of the Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority (SEPTA), and in a number of senior positions with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Houstoun has had a diverse range of experiences related to the Foundation's work, including the development of the State Planning Commission in New Jersey, helping to launch the New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark, and service on the boards of Philadelphia's Center City District, the New Jersey State Aquarium, the New Jersey Network, and the Housing Finance Agencies of both Pennsylvania and New Jersey. She is an elected Fellow of the National Academy of Public Administration. Houstoun has published articles on growth management, gubernatorial leadership, housing, and linkages between business districts and transportation. She is a regular columnist for *Management Insights*, a joint publication of *Governing Magazine* and the Ash Institute of Democratic Governance at Harvard's Kennedy School of Government.

Prior to joining the Foundation, Houstoun was an executive with AmeriChoice, a United Health Group company serving Medicaid clients in 13 states, and was a senior visiting scholar at the University of Pennsylvania teaching and conducting research on public management issues.

Peter Kasabach

Peter Kasabach is the Executive Director of New Jersey Future, a nonprofit, nonpartisan statewide research, policy and education organization that advocates for better land-use practices resulting in environmental protection, community redevelopment, center-based growth and transportation choice.

He has been actively engaged in the areas of housing, planning and community development for the past 18 years. Before coming to New Jersey Future in December 2007, he was chief of policy and community development for the New Jersey Housing & Mortgage Finance Agency, where he developed a comprehensive state housing policy and guided the agency's investments and programs. Prior to joining the HMFA, he was vice president of planning and development for

Isles, a private nonprofit community development organization in Trenton with a core mission of sustainable development.

Peter has been active in many community revitalization efforts on topics including the visual arts, historic preservation, public education and green building. He is an advocate for walkable, urban living and resides in Trenton, NJ with his wife and two children. Peter is a licensed New Jersey Professional Planner, and holds a B.S. in Economics from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania.

Richard F. Keevey

Richard F. Keevey is the Director of the Policy Research Institute for the Region, Woodrow Wilson School, Princeton University and a member of the faculty.

Mr. Keevey was appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate as the Chief Financial Officer for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Rich also was the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Financial Management and the Director of the Defense Finance and Accounting Agency where he was the CEO of the world's largest finance organization.

In state government level, Rich was appointed by two Governors as the State Budget Director and State Comptroller for New Jersey.

In the private sector, Keevey worked for Andersen, LLP, as Director of their Budget and Finance Practice and as Director of Core Administration Programs for Unisys Corporation.

Rich was active in his community. He was President of his local school board for 9 years, a member of the Board of Directors of the local community hospital and a member of several college advisory boards. Rich also served as an artillery officer in the U.S. Army.

Rich was twice awarded the DOD Medal for Distinguished Services, as well as the DOD Medal for Outstanding Service by the Secretary of Defense.

Keevey is a FELLOW of the National Academy of Public Administration, Leadership New Jersey, the MIT Program on Foreign Policy, and the Council for Excellence in Government. Rich currently serves on the Board of Directors of the Center for Health Care Strategies, Inc. and the Mercer Alliance to End Homelessness.

Keevey received his B.A. from La Salle College and a graduate degree from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania.

Jack Lettiere

Jack Lettiere is the President of Jack Lettiere Consulting, LLC which provides diverse management and transportation strategic solutions. After 30 years with the NJ Transportation Department in various executive positions, Jack served as the Commissioner of the NJ Transportation Department from 2002 through January 2006.

He was Chairman of the Board of NJ Transit, and the Transportation Trust Fund Authority. He also served on the State's toll road boards (NJ Turnpike Authority, Garden State Parkway Authority, and South Jersey Transportation Authority) and the Motor Vehicle Commission.

Jack is a past president (2005) of the American Association of State Highway Transportation Officials. Jack was the 2006 recipient of the Thomas H. MacDonald Memorial Award which is the highest award made by the American Association of State Highway and Transportation officials.

The Association of State Highway Engineers (ASHE) named Jack the 2007 Person of the Year in recognition of accomplishments during his career at the NJ Department of Transportation and as Commissioner of Transportation.

Jack graduated from General Motors Institute of Technology with a Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial Engineering and an MBA from Rider University.

Deborah Mans

Debbie Mans is the Baykeeper and Executive Director of NY/NJ Baykeeper, a conservation and advocacy organization dedicated to protecting, preserving and restoring the Hudson-Raritan Estuary. Prior to joining Baykeeper, Ms. Mans was the Environmental and Energy Policy Advisor for Governor Jon S. Corzine. She was also appointed by Governor Corzine to the New Jersey State Planning Commission and as the Smart Growth Ombudsperson.

Prior to working for the Governor, Ms. Mans was the Policy Director at Baykeeper, a position she held from 2002 through 2006.

Ms. Mans is on the board of NJ Future. She is a graduate of The University of Michigan and holds a J.D. from Vermont Law School.

Joseph J. Maraziti, Jr.

Joseph Maraziti is a partner in the law firm of Maraziti, Falcon & Healey, LLP, located in Short Hills, New Jersey. He represents both public and private sector clients in regulatory, transactional and litigation matters having local and national significance. With more than 30 years experience in legal issues related to the environment, Joe is an active leader and driving force in the redevelopment arena.

Joe served from 1998 to 2002 as Chairman of the New Jersey State Planning Commission, which adopted the State Development and Redevelopment Plan in March 2001. In this role, he worked with the Governor's Cabinet and local communities to ensure that development and redevelopment in the state enhances the quality of life.

Joe has served in leadership positions in numerous professional and civic organizations focusing on environmental issues. He is on the Board of Trustees of New Jersey Future and is a member of the Board of Directors of the Regional Plan Association (RPA), the Board of Directors of the Regional Planning Partnership, and on the Advisory Board at the Alan M. Voorhees Transportation Center.

He has served on the NJ Supreme Court Committee on Environmental Litigation, was the founding chair of the Morris County Bar Association Environmental Law Committee and is an Associate of the Environmental Law Institute. Joe has also been selected for inclusion in the 2007 edition of "Super Lawyers" of New Jersey.

Carleton Montgomery

Carleton Montgomery is the Executive Director of the Pinelands Preservation Alliance. Carleton became the second executive director of the Pinelands Preservation Alliance in 1998. An attorney by training, he practiced law at Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson in its Washington, D.C. office for nearly 12 years, the last four years as a partner in the firm's litigation practice.

Seeking a change to work for the environment, Carleton was fortunate to persuade the trustees of the Alliance that a corporate lawyer can be a committed environmental advocate and activist. In 11 years at the Alliance, Carleton has worked with his colleagues to strengthen both its advocacy and its education initiatives, with the goal of ensuring the New Jersey Pine Barrens ecosystem will survive, and its regional conservation and sustainable development will succeed, in the nation's most crowded state.

Carleton has a B.A. from Harvard University and M. Phil. from University College London, both in philosophy, and a J.D. from Harvard Law School. He also serves on the boards of the Woodford Cedar Run Wildlife Refuge, the Coalition for Affordable Housing and the Environment and New Jersey Future.

Ingrid W. Reed

Ingrid W. Reed is Policy Analyst and Director, New Jersey Project, Eagleton Institute of Politics, Rutgers University. She directs the New Jersey Project, an initiative designed to reinforce and expand the contributions of Rutgers' Eagleton Institute of Politics to the governance and politics of its home state. Among its initiatives are programs on campaign, election and ethics reform, governance issues, and initiatives to promote information for citizen participation. Reed has directed studies on television and press coverage of New Jersey election campaigns, campaign finance, election administration, ethics reform and issues in voter participation.

In her public service activities, Reed has a wide range of experiences in state politics and planning, governance and community affairs, including the New Jersey planning committee for implementing the federal Help America Vote Act; chair of the Capital City (Trenton) Redevelopment Corporation, founder and board chair of New Jersey Future, and a trustee of the Community Foundation of New Jersey.

She is frequently interviewed for analysis of New Jersey politics by state, national and international media and has written op-ed columns for major New Jersey newspapers.

Before joining the Eagleton Institute in 1996, Reed was vice president for public affairs and corporate secretary of The Rockefeller University in New York City, and served as assistant dean of Princeton University's Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs where she also directed the Rockefeller Public Service Awards Program.

Peter Reinhart

Peter S. Reinhart is senior vice-president and general counsel for Hovnanian Enterprises, Inc. He has been with the company since 1978. He was a member of the New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing and the New Jersey Site Improvement Advisory Board from 1993 to 2004. He is a Past President of both the New Jersey Shore Builders Association and the New Jersey Builders Association.

During his 31 years with Hovnanian, he has been involved in the planning and development of tens of thousands of homes in New Jersey and 17 other states. He has been a leading spokesperson for Hovnanian and the building industry in public policy issues of land use, housing, and development. He currently serves as a Board member for New Jersey Future.

He has been an instructor at the Monmouth University Real Estate Institute on the topic of Regulation and Development for over twelve (12) years. He has also moderated the Siegel Lecture at Monmouth on the topic of Redevelopment, and also teaches a class in Lease Negotiations.

Mr. Reinhart has written articles for several trade publications including Housing New Jersey, Dimensions, Tri-State Real Estate Journal, and New Jersey Lawyer. He has lectured for the Institute of Continuing Legal Education, New Jersey Appraisers, Community Associations Institute, the New Jersey Builders Association, the National Association of Home Builders, the New Jersey League of Municipalities, Rutgers University, Rutgers-Camden School of Law, and the Woodrow Wilson School at Princeton University.

A resident of Oceanport, Monmouth County, he is very active in community service. He currently serves as Chairman of the Board of Trustees for Meridian Hospitals Corporation and a Trustee of the Community Foundation of New Jersey. He is also the Chairman of the KaBoom! Fireworks on the Navesink, Inc. organization, the largest fireworks display in the state of New Jersey. He is the past chairman of the Jersey Shore Partnership, the Bayshore Community Hospital Board of Trustees, the Monmouth County Boy Scouts of America, and the Greater Red Bank Jaycees, among others. He has also served as the Chairman of the Monmouth County American Heart Association annual Heart Walk and received their 2005 Leadership Award for Community Service.

He is a graduate of Franklin and Marshall College and Rutgers-Camden School of Law, where he graduated with honors.

Eileen Swan

Eileen Swan is the Executive Director of the NJ Highlands Council. An original Highlands Task Force member and Council member, Eileen has served as its Executive Director since April 5, 2007. Eileen previously served as the State's director of the Office of Smart Growth, which is responsible for the State Development and Redevelopment Plan under the authority of the State Planning Commission.

Among her many roles in government, Eileen served as Lebanon Township Committeewoman from 1999 to 2004, and was the Township's Mayor in 2000 and 2004. She was also a member of the Lebanon Township Planning Board and the League of Municipalities Environmental and Land Use Legislative Committee. In addition, she served on the Board of Directors for the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust Fund for six years, including service as its treasurer.

A recognized leader in land preservation, Eileen was tapped by Governor Corzine's transition team to co-chair his environmental policy team. Her background includes serving as the liaison to the Hunterdon County Agricultural Development Board, where she was responsible for all aspects of farmland acquisition in Lebanon Township, and as the Open Space Coordinator for the Township. She also worked for the New Jersey Conservation Foundation, managing programs to help coordinate the open space and farmland preservation efforts of private groups and government agencies.

Eileen is the recipient of numerous accolades including 2007 Woman of Achievement Award from the Women's Political Caucus of New Jersey, 2006 New Jersey Women of Achievement Award from the New Jersey State Federation of Women's Clubs and Douglass College, 2005 New Jersey DEP Award for Government Leadership in Land Preservation, and the 2003 New Jersey Planning Officials Award for Leadership in Land Conservation.

Timothy J. Touhey

Timothy J. Touhey is Chief Executive Officer of the New Jersey Builders Association. Mr. Touhey directs the statewide Association's activities relating to public policies affecting the building industry, as well as its member education and communication programs. Before he joined the NJBA, Mr. Touhey served as the director of the New York and New Jersey Community Business Centers for Fannie Mae. Mr. Touhey established partnerships with lenders, private sector firms, not-for-profit organizations, and government officials to help solve local housing problems and expand homeownership opportunities for the underserved. During his tenure he managed a \$36 billion NJ investment plan to increase homeownership and affordable rental units.

Previously Mr. Touhey served as the Executive Director of the state Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency and as the Vice Chair of the Council on Affordable Housing. He has served as the chairperson of the State of New Jersey State Planning Commission, co-chair of *Homes for New Jersey* and on Governor Codey's Mental Health Task Force.

Mr. Touhey holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Political Science/Criminal Justice from Mount Mercy College and a master's degree in Social Work Policy/Administration from the Rutgers Graduate School of Social Work.

James Waltman

Jim Waltman is Executive Director of the Stony Brook-Millstone Watershed Association, a nonprofit, membership-supported conservation organization dedicated to protecting clean water and the environment in central New Jersey. Before assuming this position in April 2005, he was director of wildlife programs for the Wilderness Society in Washington, D.C. for ten years, representing the society on issues relating to endangered species, wildlife refuges, Alaska public lands, and other wildlife matters. He also spent five years as a wildlife specialist at the National Audubon Society.

Jim is also a member of the State Agriculture Development Committee, which is in charge of the state's farmland preservation program.

Jim graduated from Princeton University with honors in biology in 1986 and he received a master's degree in environmental studies from Yale University in 1989.

Louise Wilson

Louise Wilson is a Committeewoman and Mayor of Montgomery Township, a historically agricultural area in Somerset County that rapidly evolved as a "wealth belt" community known for its excellent schools and natural beauty. Montgomery has grown from 9,600 residents in 1990 to approximately 23,000 today. Wilson was appointed to the Township Committee in February of 2001 and elected to her first full 3-year term the following November.

Prior to taking office, Ms. Wilson was a researcher and consultant in communications and public policy, her primary interests being land use policy, natural resources and agriculture, and higher education. Wilson has served as director of communications and public affairs at Rutgers Cook College and the NJ Agricultural Experiment Station, and held various positions at the NJ Department of Higher Education, including public information officer and confidential assistant to the chancellor.

As an elected official, Wilson's priorities have been the acquisition, cleanup and re-use of the former North Princeton Developmental Center (now Skillman Village); traffic and transit challenges along the Rt. 206 corridor; controlling costs through regional and shared services; and proactive community-based planning to build consensus, effect sustainable land use patterns and foster a sense of place. She has focused also on environmental and water quality protections, open space preservation and municipal "good government" reforms; Montgomery was one of the first municipalities in New Jersey to adopt an ordinance prohibiting "pay to play."

Wilson is 2nd vice president of the NJ State League of Municipalities and president of the League's Educational Foundation. She serves on the NJ State Planning Commission and on the Board of Trustees of Somerset County United Way and the Municipal Land Use Center at The College of New Jersey.