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New chairman named for N.C. Secretaries' Science Advisory Board
Meeting planned for Monday, Dec. 3

RALEIGH – Dr. Thomas Augspurger has been appointed the new chairman of the state Secretaries' Science Advisory Board. He replaces Dr. Jamie Bartram who recently returned to his native England. Augspurger is a supervisory fish and wildlife biologist/environmental contaminants specialist with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Raleigh, as well as an adjunct associate professor in the Department of Biological Sciences Toxicology Program at N.C. State University. He will continue his work with the federal agency and university while serving in a private capacity as board chairman.

Augspurger will assume the role of chairman at the board's next meeting planned for 10 a.m. Dec. 3 at the Archdale Building in downtown Raleigh. The full meeting agenda is available online at: <https://files.nc.gov/ncdeq/GenX/SAB/SAB-Agenda-120318-Final.pdf>.

The Secretaries' Science Advisory Board [includes 16 experts](#) in toxicology, public health, ecology, engineering and other related fields. Board members provide technical assistance and advice on ways North Carolina can better address issues related to chemicals in the environment, including hexavalent chromium and new and emerging contaminants like GenX. Their expertise assists the state departments of Environmental Quality and Health and Human Services by recommending reviews and evaluations of contaminants, acting as consultants on DEQ's determinations to regulate contaminants, and helping the agencies identify contaminants of concern and determine which contaminants should be studied further.

To learn more about the board and hear recordings of past meetings, please visit: <https://deq.nc.gov/news/hot-topics/genx-investigation/secretaries-science-advisory-board>.

WHO: North Carolina Secretaries' Science Advisory Board

WHAT: Meeting

WHEN: 10 a.m.–1 p.m. Monday, Dec. 3

WHERE: Archdale Building
Ground Floor Hearing Room
512 N. Salisbury Street
Raleigh, N.C. 27604

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