

LIFE IN THE BALANCE

A PUBLIC FORUM SERIES

TROUBLED WATERS

Addressing issues and actions that affect the availability and quality of our water supply

PART 1 **TAPPED** the movie
FILM SCREENING and REFLECTION
Friday, October 22 at 7-9pm
Alcott School Auditorium
93 Laurel Street, Concord, MA
Free and open to all

TAPPED

Is access to clean drinking water a basic human right, or a commodity to be bought and sold? This award-winning movie is a behind-the-scenes look into the unregulated and unseen world of an industry that aims to privatize and sell back the one resource that ought never to become a commodity: our water. You won't want to miss this film!

PART 2 **Protecting Our Taps**
FORUM and ACTION GROUP SESSIONS
Friday, November 5 at 7-9pm
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93 Laurel Street, Concord, MA
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KEYNOTE SPEAKER

RUTH CAPLAN, National Campaign Coordinator for the Alliance for Democracy's Defending Water for Life Campaign and past chair of the National Sierra Club's Water Privatization Task Force. Ruth will provide a global perspective on water as an essential resource, outline threats to availability and adequacy of water supply, and provide perspective on commercial uses, like bottled water.

PANEL SPEAKERS

ALAN CATHCART, Water & Sewer Superintendent, Town of Concord. Alan will offer an overview of Concord's municipal water and sewer systems, focusing on key developments in public health, safety and environmental protection needs and interests. He will also provide insight on where the industry is heading with respect to more holistic integrated water resource management.

VALERIE LANE, President, ValiantLane LLC, environmental and management consultant and hydrogeologist. Valerie will explore sources of water supply contamination, including emerging contaminants, health risks and actions individuals can take to protect water quality.

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