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Wendi Goldsmith President and Founder The Bioengineering Group, Inc.



Wendi Goldsmith is president and founder of The Bioengineering Group, Inc. Founded in 1992, Bioengineering Group provides a range of scientific, engineering, landscape planning, design, and construction services. Under Goldsmith's leadership, the firm has grown from a firm with one employee to a firm with over 45 employees and offices in Massachusetts, Louisiana, New Jersey, and North Carolina. The firm performs research and development contracts, training programs, and design work for clients such as the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and the National Parks Service.

Wendi is known for building consensus among diverse and often antagonistic stakeholder groups to help advance large public infrastructure projects. She has extensive experience in all phases of project design and implementation for ecological restoration, particularly in dense urban environments, as well as for stabilization of lakes, rivers, and coastal areas. She also has a thorough understanding of federal, state, and local environmental regulatory policy and she has provided expert testimony on their meaning and intent.

Wendi recognizes that Bioengineering Group's 16 years of success depended upon others, namely the mentorship she received from key business affiliates, the dedication from a talented team of colleagues, and the good fortune of having a receptive and motivated set of clients. In addition, for over 12 years, the Bioengineering Group has maintained an active internship program for US and foreign trainees and has hosted numerous governmentally-sponsored international technical exchange representatives.

Ms. Goldsmith has led numerous courses and training workshops for academic, professional, and public agency audiences. She has also been a guest lecturer on the subject of integrating stormwater management into landscape design at

the Harvard School of Design and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, as well as many other universities, with a focus on fostering women in science and engineering.

Under her guidance, Bioengineering Group has won numerous awards and Goldsmith was nominated for the 2008 Massachusetts Small Business Person of the Year Award for her firm's innovative work across the state. In 1999, Wendi led the establishment of a non-profit organization, the Center for Urban Watershed Renewal (CUWR), a 501c(3) charitable foundation dedicated to promoting ecological stewardship in the most degraded and impacted urban areas, including contaminated and abandoned sites. Since its founding, CUWR has brought about the conservation, restoration, and re-use of over 60,000 acres of land, working with a diverse array of federal and state agencies and other non-profits from New England to the West Coast.

Wendi is a 1988 graduate of Yale University, where she earned degrees in Geology & Geophysics and Environmental Studies. While at Yale, Wendi had the opportunity to work with research teams at the Hubbard Brook Experimental Forest in NH. She later went on to pursue a Master's Degree in ecological landscape design at the Conway School and a second Master's in Plant and Soil Science at the University of Massachusetts, where her thesis on Soil Strength Reinforcement by Plants won the Distinguished Paper of the Year from the International Erosion Control Association.

Wendi's previous experience includes work in a small planning and design firm, a large engineering firm in Boston, and an apprenticeship position to the eminent hydraulic engineer, Mr. Lothar Bestmann in Germany.

Apart from her professional activities, Wendi is a single parent who still finds time to pursue horseback riding, singing, gardening, and various community activities.