



## Science Advisory Committee



### Megan Chaisson

Megan holds a B.S. in Geological Sciences from Tufts University. As a hydrologist for the USGS Water Science Center she collected water quality samples at several locations across Cape Cod and on the Charles River. She assisted with projects that sought to analyze long-term water quality datasets, heavy metal tracer tests, bioaccumulation of pharmaceuticals, and phosphorous influx in estuarine settings. She spent a year interning as a hydrologist for the USGS Water Science Center before realizing that she wanted to be in a

career that worked more directly with people.

Megan moved west and worked as a Park Ranger with Glacier National Park and Flathead National Forest. During that time she inspired thousands of visitors and local residents to deepen their connection with our natural world while leading guided hikes, snowshoe tours, boat tours, evening talks, and youth field trips. More recently she earned a M.Ed. Curriculum & Instruction from Montana State University and transitioned into teaching. Megan currently teaches 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade science at Whitefish Middle School. She has earned the distinction of National Board Certified Teacher. Megan runs a classroom that is lively and engaging with a goal of encouraging youth to strengthen their scientific skills and become informed citizens. On her days off she can be found hiking, biking, skiing, or grading papers!