

# Conservation in Action

## **WHO WE ARE**

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The North Atlantic LCC region – stretching from Virginia north to Maritime Canada and southern Quebec – is one of the most diverse and populous coastal areas in North America. The LCC is building on a long history of conservation by partners in this region by helping to establish common goals for protecting natural and cultural resources, and collaboratively developing and delivering scientific information and tools needed to meet those goals in the face of increasing threats and uncertainty.

## How We're Funded

The North Atlantic LCC receives the majority of its funding from the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service with other financial and in-kind contributions from over 30 partner organizations from the LCC Steering Committee and Technical Teams.

#### IN OUR PARTNERS' WORDS



'This regional effort will leverage actions being taken at the state and local scale and help us allocate limited restoration resources to the highest priority sites and watersheds across the region.

—JED WRIGHT, GULF OF MAINE COASTAL PROGRAM, U.S. FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE

## **KEY PARTNERS**













#### **SCIENCE-DRIVEN RESULTS**

# Restoring Aquatic Connectivity and Increasing Flood Resilience



The widespread impacts of Tropical Storm Irene and Hurricane Sandy across New York and New England – from washed-out roads to erosion – underscore the need for a regional approach to increase the resiliency of road-stream crossings in anticipation of future floods.

In addition to protecting human health, safety and property, upgrading, repairing or replacing culverts under roads in key locations can increase habitat connectivity and movement for fish and wildlife.

Through companion LCC and Department of the Interior Hurricane Sandy Resiliency projects, the LCC is helping partners protect roads and improve fish passage by providing regional maps and condition assessments of road stream crossings, fish passage, future flood predictions, risk assessments, and prioritization tools. This information will enable states and communities to prepare for future intense storms, and improve conditions for aquatic organisms.

These projects are facilitated by the North Atlantic LCC and the Fisheries and Coastal Programs of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and guided by partners and users from the conservation, transportation, and state and municipal planning sectors.

#### MORE INFORMATION

Additional information can be found online at <www.northatlanticlec.org>.

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