



News from the North Atlantic Landscape Conservation Cooperative (LCC) May 2017

Partners identify resources for landowners in the path of marsh migration

With guidance from the Environmental Law Institute (ELI), the state of Delaware is developing outreach strategies to help concentrate efforts and funding around hot spots for marsh migration to minimize impacts on coastal communities and agricultural producers. The effort is a pilot project for a new inventory of wetland prioritization practices developed by ELI and the Mid-Atlantic Regional Council on the Ocean (MARCO) with Hurricane Sandy funding coordinated by the North Atlantic LCC.

[Learn more](#)

Nature's Network: Designed by the conservation community for the conservation community

There is no one-size-fits-all approach to conservation. But a new set of resources released by partners from 13 states was designed to complement the work of different agencies, organizations, and individuals engaged in conservation in the Northeast region. Hear from partners who are already using Nature's Network to support their conservation goals.

[Learn more](#)

Bird's-eye-view reveals priority habitat for threatened shorebirds

A new inventory of modifications to beach and tidal-inlet habitats from Maine to Virginia created using imagery from Google Earth, state agencies, and nongovernmental organizations has provided valuable perspective on the condition and availability of habitat for the red knot and piping plover. With a bird's-eye-view of the coast, scientists have discovered that Little Egg Inlet in New Jersey is a rarer natural asset than they realized.

[Learn more](#)

Other News of Note

Prime Hook National Wildlife Refuge wins 2017 Best Restored Beach award (ASBPA)

A project completed last fall to repair a barrier beach and dredge historic saltmarsh at Prime Hook National Wildlife Refuge in the wake of Hurricane Sandy has received a Best Restored Beach award from the American Shore & Beach Preservation Association. Nearly 8,000 feet of shoreline were restored in the two-year project, and several obsolete water-control structures were been removed to allow natural tidal flow.

[Learn more](#)

Massachusetts Wildlife Climate Action Tool wins national award (UMass)

The National Fish, Wildlife and Plants Climate Adaptation Strategy working group has selected the Massachusetts Wildlife Climate Action Tool for its 2017 Climate Adaptation Leadership Award for Natural Resources in the "broad partnership" category. The tool incorporates NALCC-supported products such as assessments of how climate change may affect wildlife habitat.

[Learn more](#)

Report details new decision support tool for conserving stream fish habitat (NECSC)

The final report is now available from a project that integrates stream condition assessments across the region to help managers protect economically valuable stream fisheries in light of current and future impacts from urbanization, fragmentation, and water quality impairment.

[Learn more](#)

Upcoming Workshops, Meetings, Presentations, and Webinars

Thursday, June 1, 4 - 5 p.m. -- Building a Stronger LCC Network

The LCC Network invites LCC steering committee members and partners to participate in one of three webinars starting on June 1st to help shape the Network's updated Strategic Plan and improved performance measures. **The one-hour webinar will be held again at 11 a.m on June 7, and at 1 p.m. on June 13.**

[Learn more](#)

Wednesday, June 21 -- Landscape Dynamics Assessment Tool, Asheville, N.C.

The Appalachian LCC and the U.S. Forest Service will host a day-long workshop to introduce technical experts to the new LanDat tool for evaluating changes to ecosystems and give them an opportunity to provide feedback on its design and functionality.

[Learn more](#)

Tuesday, June 27, 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.; Wednesday, June 28, 1 - 4:30 p.m.; Thursday, June 29, 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. -- Nature's Network Training Workshops, Hadley, Mass.

During the last week of June, the team behind Nature's Network will lead three workshops to provide training and guidance on how to use this suite of tools designed by and for partners in the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic U.S. The Tuesday and Thursday trainings will be full-day workshops, and the Wednesday training will be afternoon only.

[Learn more](#)

Submission deadline for the next edition of North Atlantic LCC News: Friday June 23, 2017

Please email submissions to: bridget_macdonald@fws.gov

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