**North Atlantic Landscape Conservation Cooperative**

**Steering Committee Agenda**

**April 18, 2012 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Charleston, West Virginia**

***Call in Information: Call Number:*** *866-762-5634* ***Passcode:*** *5866227#*

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**Overall Purpose of meeting:** Consensus on and approval of: priority science and demonstration project needs, involvement of LCC in regional SWAP updates, national climate and habitat efforts, and next steps for conservation targets, information management and communications.

**Morning Agenda**

| **Agenda Items** | **Discussion Leader**  ***and Handouts*** | **Time** |
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| **BREAKFAST (provided)** |  | **7:00 a.m.** |
| 1. Welcome   Introductions  Review agenda  Approve minutes from last (2/3/2012) call | Wendi Weber (FWS), Ken Elowe (FWS) & Andrew Milliken (LCC) *Handout 1 – Agenda*  *Handout 2 – Minutes*  *Handout 3 – Attendance List* | 8:00 a.m. |
| 1. Action items from last Steering Committee call and actions taken | Andrew Milliken  *Handout 4 – Action items status* | 8:20 a.m. |
| 1. State of the LCC. Review of progress on goals and objectives of the LCC and next steps for this year   *Expected Meeting Outcome:* Consensus on next steps for LCC partnership and staff | Ken Elowe, Patricia Riexinger (NY), LCC Staff, all  *Handout 5a – 2011 LCC Annual Report; Handout 5b – 2011 LCC Annual Report Executive Summary* | 8:30 a.m. |
| 1. Report from LCC Technical Committee   *Expected Meeting Outcome:* Review of membership, process and major outcomes from technical committee and subcommittees | Scott Schwenk (LCC)  *Handout 6 – Technical Committee and subteam membership;* | 9:10 a.m. |
| 1. Review of approved annual process for science needs and projects and budgets   *Expected Meeting Outcome:* Review of LCC annual science needs process and budget status | Scot Williamson (WMI), Andrew Milliken  *Handout 7 – Annual science needs process*  *Handout 8 – Project Budget summary* | 9:20 a.m. |
| 1. Update from Northeast Climate  Science Center   *Expected Meeting Outcome:* Understanding status of Climate Science Center and 2012 proposals | Pete Murdoch (USGS), Rick Bennett (FWS)  *Handout 9 – Climate Science Center approved pre-proposals summary* | 9:30 a.m. |
| **BREAK** |  | **9:45 a.m.** |
| 1. Presentation of Phase I progress and consideration of Phase II funding for *Designing Sustainable Landscapes* project   *Expected Meeting Outcome:* Decision on funding for Phase II of Designing Sustainable Landscapes project | Scott Schwenk, Andrew Milliken, all  *Handouts 10 – Summary of Phase I results*  *Handout 11 – Phase II proposal summary* | 10:00 a.m. |
| 1. Presentation and decision on recommended science needs for FY 2012   *Expected Call Outcome:* Approval of science needs and next steps for projects. | Scott Schwenk, all  *Handouts 12a – Table of recommended science needs*  *Handout 12b – Need templates*  *Handout 12c – Criteria* | 10:30 a.m. |
| 1. Landscape Conservation Design and the Role of LCC in providing regional information and synthesis for State Wildlife Action Plan (SWAP) Updates   *Expected Meeting Outcome:* Consensus on role of LCC in SWAP Updates | Patricia Riexinger, Karen Bennett (DE), Steve Fuller (LCC)  *Handout 13 – Northeast Regional Conservation Synthesis and Components for State Wildlife Action Plan Revisions* | 11:20 a.m. |
| **LUNCH (provided)** |  | **11:45 p.m.** |

**Afternoon Agenda**

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| **Agenda Items** | **Discussion Leader**  ***and Handouts*** | **Time** |
| 1. Proposed demonstration projects   *Expected Meeting Outcome:* Discussion andconsensus on role of LCC in supporting demonstration projects and initial demonstration project needs | George Gay (NWF), Jad Daley (TPL)  *Handout 14a – White Paper on demonstration projects; Handout 14b – Proposed demonstration projects* | 12:45 p.m. |
| 1. Consensus on support funding for Phase II, science needs, regional synthesis and demonstration projects (items 7-10 above).   *Expected Meeting Outcome:* Consensus on support for LCC needs | Ken Elowe, all | 1:00 p.m. |
| 1. Role of LCC in delivering National Fish, Wildlife and Plant Adaptation Strategy and Wildlife Habitat System for the Nation   *Expected Meeting Outcome:* Updates on national planning efforts and consensus on LCC role | John O’Leary (MA), Patricia Riexinger, Dave Day (PA), Ken Elowe  *Handout 15a&b – Excerpts from National Conservation Adaptation Strategy*  *Handout 16 – Summary of Results from Wildlife Habitat Policy Research Program* | 1:10 p.m. |
| 1. Options for developing conservation targets   *Expected Meeting Outcome:* Consensus on next steps for developing conservation targets in the LCC | Ken Elowe  *Handout 17: Draft proposal for conservation targets process* | 1:30 p.m. |
| **Break** |  | **1:45 p.m.** |
| 1. LCC national and regional communications   *Expected Meeting Outcome*: Review of communications products and consensus on priorities for communication | Megan Nagel (FWS)  *Handout 18 – Summary of existing and proposed communications products* | 2:00 p.m. |
| 1. Information Management Needs Assessment   *Expected Meeting Outcome:* Understanding and commitment to participation in needs assessment | Applied Geographics, all  *Handout 19 – Description of information management needs assessment process* | 2:15 p.m. |
| 1. Revisit next steps   *Expected Meeting Outcome:* Consensus on next steps for LCC partnership and staff | Ken Elowe, Patricia Riexinger | 2:45 p.m. |
| 1. Other Business Next Meeting | Ken Elowe | 2:55 p.m. |
| **ADJOURN** |  | **3:00 p.m.** |