**North Atlantic Landscape Conservation Cooperative**

**Steering Committee Agenda**

**October 26, 2015 12:00 noon – 5:15 p.m.; October 27, 8:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. Sheraton Portsmouth Harborside Hotel, Portsmouth, New Hampshire**

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

***Web page for handouts:***[*http://northatlanticlcc.org/the-cooperative/steering-committee-meetings/meetings/steering-committee-meeting-october-26-27-2015/north-atlantic-lcc-steering-committee-meeting*](http://northatlanticlcc.org/the-cooperative/steering-committee-meetings/meetings/steering-committee-meeting-october-26-27-2015/north-atlantic-lcc-steering-committee-meeting)

**Overall goals of meeting:** Steering Committee input on strategic direction and next steps for science, science delivery, conservation design and communications.

**Monday, October 26**

| **Agenda Items** | **Discussion Leader**  ***Handouts &* Presentations** | **Time** |
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| **Lunch (Provided)** | | 12:00 noon |
| 1. **Welcome & Introductions**   Review agenda and goals for meeting  Key decisions and messages  Approve minutes from last call (June 16, 2015) | Ken Elowe (FWS), Bill Hyatt (Connecticut DEEP), Glenn Normandeau (New Hampshire Fish and Game),  *Handout 1 – Agenda*  *Handout 2 – Attendance List*  *Handout 3 – 6/16/2015 call minutes* | 1:00 p.m. |
| 1. **Action items from last Steering Committee call and actions taken** | Andrew Milliken (LCC)  *Handout 4 – Action items status* | 1:20 p.m. |
| 1. **Highlights and discussion on science projects and resulting products**   Steering Committee questions & discussion  *Expected Meeting Outcome:*  Understanding of current status of science projects, products available, how they fit together and feedback from committee. | LCC Staff, all  *Handout 5 – Summary of LCC Projects & Products*  *Handout 6 – General Products Fact Sheet*  *Handout 7 – State by State Product Fact Sheets*  Presentation: Science Project and Product Updates | 1:30 p.m. |
| **Break** | | **2:45 p.m.** |
| 1. **Landscape Conservation Design**    1. Updates on and lessons learned from the Connecticut River Watershed Landscape Conservation Design Pilot;    2. Regional Conservation Opportunity Areas: approach and recommendations – outcome of NEFWDTC meeting and next steps    3. Next steps across the region    4. Steering Committee questions & discussion   *Expected Meeting Outcome:*  Understanding and steering committee input on how multiple ongoing and planned landscape conservation design projects fit together, lessons learned and next steps | LCC Staff, Partners involved in conservation design efforts  *Handout 8 – Summary of Connecticut River Watershed Pilot*  *Handout 9 – Summary of RCOAs*  Presentation(s): Connecticut River Pilot, RCOAs, and Landscape Conservation Design at multiple scales | 3:30 p.m. |
| 1. **Review of project budgets and contracts**   *Expected Meeting Outcome:*  Understanding of LCC project budget and contract status | Scot Williamson (WMI)  *Handout 10 – Budget Summary*  Presentation: budget update | 4:30 p.m. |
| 1. **Review of projects selected and RFP results**   *Expected Meeting Outcome:*  Consensus on selection of projects from science RFP | Scott Schwenk  *Handout 11a – recommendations from review teams for Floodplains*  *Handout 11b – recommendations from review teams for Rare Plants* | 4:45 p.m. |
| **Adjourn for day** | | **5:15 p.m.** |
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| ***Group Dinner – TBD*** | | ***7:00 p.m.*** |

**Tuesday, October 27**

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| **Agenda Items** | **Discussion Leader**  ***Handouts &* Presentations** | **Time** |
| **Breakfast (Provided)** | | **7:00 a.m.** |
| 1. **Review and reflections from first day’s sessions** | Ken Elowe, Bill Hyatt, all | 8:00 a.m. |
| 1. **Progress on** **science delivery and communications**    1. Results of recent partner meetings – what we are hearing    2. Next steps and resources needed    3. Discussion   *Expected Meeting Outcome:*  Understanding of results of initial science delivery meetings and input on next steps | Steve Fuller, Bridget Macdonald, David Eisenhauer, Ken Elowe  *Handout 12 – Summary of science delivery training and meetings*  *Handout 13 – Science delivery summary and progress*  *Handout 14 – Communications products and audiences*  Presentation: Science Delivery and Communications Updates | 8:15 a.m. |
| **Break** |  | 9:15 a.m. |
| 1. **LCC Network updates and budget**   Update on LCC Network, FY 16 Budget and implications of possible reductions  *Expected Meeting Outcome:*  Input on approach for addressing possible budget reductions | Ken Elowe, Bill Hyatt, Andrew Milliken all  *Handout 15 – Talking Points for LCC FY16 Budget*  *Handout 15a – LCC Network Brochure* | 9:30 a.m. |
| 1. **Technical committees, Science Needs process and Science Delivery process for 2016**   *Expected Meeting Outcome:*  Input on approach, timing and scope of science needs and science delivery process for 2016 | Scott Schwenk, Steve Fuller,all  *Handout 16 – Annual process*  *Handout 17 – Current technical committee membership*  *Handout 18 – Current Science Delivery Team membership* | 10:00 a.m. |
| 1. **Discussion on LCC Strategic Direction** What is missing or needs additional attention from the North Atlantic LCC to make it stronger and more relevant? Input on additions and revisions needed for the Strategic Plan and process   *Expected Meeting Outcome:*  Input on what additional aspects need to be addressed by the North Atlantic LCC and how they fit into mission and revised strategic plan. | Bill Hyatt, Ken Elowe, Andrew Milliken, all  *Handout 19 – North Atlantic LCC Strategic Plan with recommended changes*  *Handout 20 – LCC Network Strategic Plan* | 10:30 a.m. |
| 1. Other business, next meeting | Bill Hyatt, Ken Elowe, all | 11:30 a.m. |
| **ADJOURN** | | **11:45 a.m.** |