

Lake Champlain Sea Grant Site Review - TENTATIVE
Green Aiken Conference Room - Aiken 311
Rubenstein School of Environment and Natural Resources
June 10 – 11, 2015

Site Review Team

- Dr. Dorn Carlson – Program Director for Research for the National Sea Grant College Program and Program Officer for the Lake Champlain Sea Grant program
- Admiral Dick West – National Sea Grant College Program Board of Advisors
- Dr. Brian Miller – Illinois-Indiana Sea Grant Director
- Third SRT member - affiliation
- Fourth SRT member - affiliation

Wednesday - June 10

Introductions

7:00 Breakfast at hotel - Pre-meeting orientation/guidance (Breck Bowden and Tim Mihuc, LCSG)

8:00 - 8:30 Transport to meeting venue (hotel shuttle)

8:30 - 8:40 Welcome to the Aiken Center and introductions - Breck Bowden (LCSG)

8:40 - 8:50 Welcome to the Rubenstein School and UVM - Dean Nancy Matthews (RSENr)

8:50 - 9:00 Site review expectations and process: the charge - Dorn Carlson (NSGCP)

9:00 - 9:30 - Overview of the Lake Champlain Sea Grant Program - Breck Bowden (LCSG)

Research Accomplishments

9:30 - 9:50 Green Stormwater Infrastructure - Stephanie Hurley (Plant and Soil Science, UVM) and Carol Adair (RSENr, UVM)

9:50 - 10:10 Cover cropping as an agricultural BMP - Heather Darby (UVM Extension)

10:10 - 10:30 Break

10:30 - 10:50 Smelt-alewife interactions - Lars Rudstam, Director of the Cornell Biological Field Station and Donna Parrish, Leader, Vermont Fish and Wildlife Cooperative Research Unit

10:50 - 11:10 Canal invasives management options - Ellen Marsden (RSENr, UVM)

11:10 - 11:45 Open discussion, Site Review Team questions and feedback, contingency time

11:45 - 12:00 Walk to lunch - Waterman Manor

12:00 - 1:00 Lunch - Board of Directors - Doug Lantagne (Dean, UVM Extension), Richard Galbraith (VP Research, UVM), Andrew Buckser (Dean, Arts and Sciences SUNY-Plattsburgh)

1:00 - 1:30 Walk to and visit Low-Impact Development project (in front of Jeffords Hall) - Stephanie Hurley (Plant and Soil Science, UVM) and Carol Adair (RSENR, UVM)

Demonstrating Research Capability

1:30 - 2:30 Roundtable session 1 - "Opportunities for Future Research"

- Objectives for this session - Breck Bowden (LCSG)
- Invasives, food web, acoustics, mysid - Jason Stockwell (Director, RESL)
- Coastal Storms I and linking WQ to property values in LC - Brian Voigt (Gund Institute)
- Climate research in the LC basin - Eric Leibensberger (SUNY-Plattsburgh)
- Pharmaceuticals of emergent concern - Christine Vatovec (RSENR, UVM)

2:30 - 2:40 Break

2:30 - 4:00 Roundtable session 2 - "Connections between Research and Extension"

- South Lake challenges and needs - Hillary Soloman (PMNRCD)
- The Vermont Green Infrastructure Roundtable - Dani Fitzko (VT DFP&R)
- Human dimensions research - Curt Gervich (SUNY Plattsburgh) human dimensions
- Understanding and addressing threats to the lake - Lori Fisher (LCC)
- Integrating LCBP and LCSG capabilities - Eric Howe (LCBP)

4:00 - 5:00 Private time for Site Review Team to caucus (Aiken Dean's Conference Room)

5:00 - 6:30 Hors d'oeuvres, refreshments, and informal poster session with LCSG Project Advisory Committee and partners - Davis Center ?? Room

6:30 - 7:00 Transport back to hotel. Site Review Team is on their own to make arrangements.. The hotel is in the heart of the downtown restaurant district of Burlington. Many good restaurants in walking distance.

Thursday - June 11

7:00 - 8:00 Working breakfast at hotel – Opportunities for shared positions
Phelan Fretz (Executive Director, ECHO), David Mears (Commissioner, Vermont DEC), and
Nancy Mathews (Dean, Rubenstein School), Breck Bowden (LCSG)

8:00 - 8:30 Transit to meeting venue. Bring luggage if leaving early evening.

Education and Extension

Convene Brief orientation for the day - Breck Bowden

8:30 - 8:50 Crude oil transport, AIS, ecotourism - Mark Malchoff (SUNY-Plattsburgh)

8:50 - 9:10 Coastal storms, partnership with ECHO, Realtor Courses - Becky Tharp (LCSG)

9:10 - 9:30 Vermont 4H2O, BWET program - Erin De Vries (LCSG)

9:30 - 9:50 ecoNEWS VT - Elissa Schuett (LCSG)

9:50 - 10:00 Introduce Kris Stepenuck - Jurij Homziak, outgoing Extension Leader

10:00 - 10:15 Citizen science. Plans for the future of LCSG Extension - Kris Stepenuck (LCSG)

10:15 - 10:30 Break

Demonstrating Extension and Outreach Capability

10:30 - 12:00 Roundtable session 3 - “Partnerships for Resilient Communities”

- Don't P on lawn and lawn fertilization management - Karen Bates, Watershed Coordinator, Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation.
- Implementing stormwater LID in Vermont's largest city - Megan Moir, Stormwater Program Manager, City of Burlington VT
- Measuring stormwater BMP effectiveness - Tom Dipietro, South Burlington Public Works
- Partnerships with Regional Planning Commission - Dan Albrecht, Senior Planner, Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission
- Working with watershed groups for sustainable communities - Denise Smith, Executive Director, Friends of Northern Lake Champlain
- AIS monitoring and control - Brendan Quirion, Adirondack Park Invasive Plant Program
- Responding to the needs of diverse communities - Marie Veau-Fagnant, Assistant Dean for Student Services & Staff Development, RSENR
- Ensuring sustainability of bass fishing tournaments - James Calnon, Mayor, City of Plattsburgh, NY

12:00 - 3:30 Private working lunch for the Site Review Team followed by a private working session to write assessment report.

3:30 - 4:00 Recommendations to Lake Champlain Sea Grant Leadership

4:00 - 4:30 Briefing for Provost Rosowsky (UVM) and Dean Mathews (Rubenstein School) on highlights from the Site Review Team report. (Provost Rosowsky will walk over to Aiken Dean's Conference Room for this meeting.)

4:30 - 5:00 Depart for airport or return to hotel for next day departure. For those staying overnight, use the hotel shuttle to get to the airport on Friday.