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# New Hampshire Association of Conservation Commissions



## 39th Annual Meeting

Saturday, November 7, 2009  
8:00 AM – 3:30 PM

Rundlett Middle School  
South Street  
Concord, NH

### Directions to Rundlett Middle School

#### **From Route 89**

Take Exit 2, (Clinton Street/Rte 113). Turn right onto Clinton Street. At the second traffic light, turn right onto South Street. School is on right.

#### **From Route 93**

Take Exit 12 North, (South Main Street). Take the second left onto Broadway. After passing Rollins Park on the left, take the second left onto Carter Street. School is opposite the end of Carter Street.

### Registration begins at 8 AM

**8:30 Annual Business Meeting**

**9:15 Keynote Address by**

**Lorraine Stuart Merrill**

**Commissioner of Agriculture, Markets & Food**

### 10-11 Concurrent Sessions, Round A

1. **Basics for absolutely brand-new Conservation Commissioners with no previous experience in conservation, NHACC**
2. **Conservation Projects from the Landowner's perspective- Motives, tax advantages and concerns, Tom Masland, Esq., Ransmeier and Spellman**
3. **Inventorizing Natural Resources for Conservation Planning – Beyond the Basics, Jeffry N. Littleton, Conservation Ecologist, Moosewood Ecological**
4. **The Hawkins Farm Project: a commission's vision, William Carter and Linda Harvey, Salem CC**
5. **GIS on Pennies a Day, Shane Bradt, UNH Cooperative Extension**
6. **Enhancing Small Scale Habitats: Grasslands, Shrublands and Vernal Pools, Emily Brunkhurst and Lindsay Webb, NH Fish and Game**
7. **Wetland Mitigation with the Aquatic Resource Mitigation (ARM) Fund, Lori Sommer, Mitigation Coordinator DES**

**11:15-12:15 Concurrent Sessions, Round B**

1. **Intro to Natural Communities of NH**, Peter Ellis, ecologist & natural resources consultant, Dan Sperduto, ecologist
2. **Moo Over Cows: How the Farm Bill can Help Conservation Commissions**, Joel Harrington, The Nature Conservancy in NH
3. **What's Changing with NH's Farm Lands?** Dan Sundquist, Forest Society
4. **Balancing conservation values and workforce housing requirements**, Ben Frost, NH Housing Finance Authority, Dijit Taylor, conservation project consultant
5. **Low cost tools to create Natural Resources Inventory maps**, Shane Bradt, UNH Cooperative Extension
6. **Habitat Stewardship in the public eye: habitat stewardship on community lands**, Tim Fleury, Merrimack County Extension Forester
7. **Wetlands 101: Intro to Wetlands and Permitting**, Sandy Crystall, Sr. Resources Manager DES

**10-12:15 Morning Field Trips**

1. **Mapping and Evaluating Wetlands for Prime Wetland Designation-** Mark West, West Environmental Inc.
2. **Conservation Center Building Tour**, Jason Teaster, Forest Society

**12:15 Lunch**

**1:15-2:15 Concurrent Sessions, Round C:**

1. **Basics for absolutely brand-new conservation commissioners with no previous experience in conservation**, NHACC
2. **Working with the NH Legislature-** Jim O'Brien, Granite State Conservation Voters Alliance
3. **Energy at the Local Level: Implementing solutions for the economy and the environment**, Clay Mitchell, NH Sustainable Energy Association, Epping Town Planner.
4. **The Nitty-Gritty of Conservation Finance**, Dijit Taylor, conservation project consultant
5. **Upland Invasive Species of NH**, Doug Cygan Invasive Species Coordinator, NH Dept. of Agriculture, Markets and Food
6. **Communities Taking Action for Wildlife– case studies of community planning and working with landowners**, Amanda Stone, UNH Cooperative Extension, Frank Mitchell, Consultant
7. **Prime Wetlands: Designation and Beyond**, Sandy Crystall, Sr. Resources Manager DES

**2:30-3:30 Concurrent Sessions, Round D**

1. **From 0 to 60 (%) in less than 30 (years): An inspirational history of land protection in Stoddard**, Geoff Jones, Stoddard CC
2. **NATURSCAPING: Creating Naturalized Landscapes with Native Plants**, E. Ann Poole, Poole Ecological Consultancy
3. **NH's Current Use Program**, Jonathan Nute, Hillsborough County Extension Forester
4. **The Nitty-Gritty of Conservation Finance**, Dijit Taylor, conservation project consultant
5. **Managing Town Forests for Conservation and Profit**, Jim Meiklejohn, Randolph CC
6. **Public Benefit/Public Access Roundtable Discussion**, Will Abbott, Forest Society, Tom Fargo, Dover CC, Joel Harrington, The Nature Conservancy
7. **The Shoreland Program -- Changes from the 2009 Legislative Session and the Permitting Process**, Jay Aube, Shoreland Protection Specialist DES

**1:15-3:30 Afternoon Field Trips**

1. **Intro to Natural Communities of NH**, Peter Ellis, ecologist & natural resources consultant, Dan Sperduto, ecologist
2. **Putting your GPS data on the map!** Shane Bradt, UNH Cooperative Extension

**NHACC member commissions please let us know if you'd like to reserve free display space.**

**NHACC is committed to environmentally responsible events. You can help by carpooling and bringing your own water bottle and/or coffee mug.**

**TO REGISTER**

We strongly encourage you to sign up on the web at [www.nhacc.org](http://www.nhacc.org). Please send payment to:

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If you do not have access to the Internet please send the following form and payment by October 30, 2009.

**We regret that we cannot refund registration fees.**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address(es): \_\_\_\_\_  
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Commission: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a new commissioner (in 2009)? \_\_\_\_\_

**Price per person (includes lunch):**

<b>NHACC members:</b>	<b>\$40</b> (\$45 after October 30)
Others:	\$50 (\$60 after October 30)
Walk ins:	\$60

Amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Scholarships available for students associated with member CCs, please contact the NHACC office at 224-7867.

Please indicate the sessions you plan to attend:

**10-12:15 Choose one session in A & one in B  
OR a field trip**

**Round A \_\_\_\_\_ Round B \_\_\_\_\_**

**OR Morning Field Trip \_\_\_\_\_**

**1:15-3:30 PM Choose one session in C & one in D  
OR a field trip**

**Round C \_\_\_\_\_ Round D \_\_\_\_\_**

**OR Afternoon Field Trip \_\_\_\_\_**