

Agenda
11th Annual Conference on the Adirondacks
Hotel Saranac, Saranac Lake, NY
May 26-27, 2004

Day 1, Wednesday, May 26

- 8:00 AM-9:00 AM—Registration** **Grand Hall**
Poster sessions in the Grand Hall throughout the conference
- 9:00 AM-10:30 AM- Panel**
- Sustainable Tourism in the Adirondacks** (Moderator—Wayne Glass) **Ballroom**
Techniques of Sustainable Tourism in the Adirondacks
Panelists: James McKenna, Jeanne Ashworth, Ann Holland, Ann Melious
- 10:30 AM-10:45 AM Break** **Grand Hall**
Poster sessions in the Grand Hall throughout the conference
- 10:45 AM-12:15 PM-Panel** **Ballroom**
- Regional Management of Invasive Species** (Moderator –James Skaley)
Developing a regional governance structure to manage the spread of aquatic invasive species Panelists Bill Faro,
- 12:15-1:30 PM—Lunch** **Ballroom**
- Introductions: Jon Erickson, U. of Vermont**
- Welcoming remarks: John Mills, President, Paul Smiths College**
- Keynote Speaker— Robert Constanza, Gund Professor of Ecological Economics and Director of the Gund Institute for Ecological Economics, U. of Vermont**
Ecological Economics: Reintegrating the Study of Humans and Rest of Nature
- 1:30 PM-3:00 PM-Plenary Session** (Moderator – Liz Thorndike) **Ballroom**
- Management Planning in the Adirondack Park: Does Where We Draw the Line Make a Difference?* Stacy McNulty and William Porter
- Overcoming Obstacles and Achieving Best Practices: Hamlets of the Adirondacks, Are the Development Strategies of the Last 30 Years Working?* Ann Holland
- Putting the Adirondacks in its National Context: Big Plans for Big Places* Mark Lapping
- 3:00 PM-3:15 PM-Break** **Grand Hall**
Poster sessions in the Grand Hall throughout the conference
- 3:15 PM-5:00 PM Concurrent Sessions**
- Concurrent Session I Adirondack Wildlife** (Moderator—Bill Porter) **Ballroom**
- Black Bears and Humans in the Adirondacks: Assessing the Conflict in Backcountry and Frontcountry Settings*
Michale Glennon, Leslie Karasin, Zoe Smith

How Do We Best Determine the Ecological Feasibility of Restoring Gray Wolves to the Adirondacks?

Seth Myers, Jeff Organ, William Porter

Distribution and Habitat Requirements of Spruce Grouse Near the Southeastern Edge of Their range

Glenn Johnson, Angela Ross

An Evaluation of Historical Change Among White-tailed Deer Winter Yards in the Adirondacks.

Jeremy Hurst, William Porter

Concurrent Session II Adirondack Economy (Moderator—Laurie Marr)

Lower Regis

Grass Roots or Grab Bag: The Virtual Identity of the Adirondack-North Country

Elizabeth Bernat, Tim Clukey, Jonathan Slater

Economic Impact of Tourism on Northern New York

Laurie Marr

Economic Impact of Mountain Biking in the Tri-Lakes

Jim McKenna

Impact of Canadian Firm Location Decisionmaking on Economic Development Policy

Wayne Glass, Prem Gandhi, Brian O'Neil

Concurrent Session III Adirondack Culture and Learning (Moderator—John Peden)

Library Meeting Room

Treating Culture as “Natural” in the Adirondack Forest Preserve

Michael Wilson, Sarah Seeley

Assessing Visitor Experiences in the Eastern High Peaks Wilderness Area: An Application of Stress Coping Theory

John Peden, Rudolph Schuster

Using Interpretation to Achieve Conservation Education in the Science Classroom

Paul Hai, D. Andrew Saunders

6:30 PM-Dinner

Ballroom

Host: John Mills, President, Paul Smiths College

Following Dinner:

Adirondack Atlas – Changing Times and Challenges for Communities in the Adirondack Park

Andy Keal, Jerry Jenkins

See You Tomorrow for Breakfast!

Day 2, Thursday, May 27

7:30 AM-8:30 AM-Plenary Session

Ballroom

Introductions: Ron J. Oakerson, Academic Vice-President, Houghton College

Keynote Speaker: Ross Whaley

Research Agenda to Assist the Adirondack Park Agency in Fulfilling Its Responsibilities

Ross Whaley, Raymond Curran, Stephen Erman

A light Continental Breakfast will be available

8:30 AM-10:00 AM- Plenary Panel

(Moderator – Elizabeth Thorndike)

Ballroom

Off-road Motor Vehicle Use in the Adirondack Park: Planning and Management Issues

Panelists: Rob Davies, Alex Ernst, Jim Jennings, Leslie Karasin, Ross Whaley, Neil Woodworth

10:00 AM-10:15 AM-Break

Grand Hall

Poster sessions in the Grand Hall throughout the conference

10:15 Am-12:00 PM Concurrent Sessions

Concurrent Session I

Adirondack Forests (Moderator – Shanna Ratner)

Ballroom

Assessing Public Attitudes Toward Forest Management in the Adirondacks

Donald Dennis, Mark Twery, Michael Rechlin, Bruce Hansen

Changing from Industrial to Non-Industrial Land Ownership in the Northern Forest

Shanna Ratner

Working Forests in the Northern Forests of New York

Steven Wolf, Jeff Klein

Concurrent Session II

Adirondack Aquatic and Ecological Assessment

(Moderator – Stacy McNulty)

Lower Regis

Application of GIS to Rapid Inventory for Unit Management Planning

Benjamin Zuckerberg, Stacy McNulty, William Porter

The Influence of Soil Calcium Availability on Forest Vegetation and Nitrate Concentrations in Surface Waters

Blair Page, Myron Mitchell, Sheila Christopher

Environmental Impact of Deicing Road Salt at the Cascade Lakes Region of the Adirondack Park

Joseph Oso, Hanna Prutzman, Tom Langen, Michael Twiss, Thomas Young

Evidence for Zooplankton Recovery in Chemically Recovering Adirondack Lakes

William Shaw, Paul Bukaveckas, James Sutherland, Charles Boylen, Sandra Nierzwicki-Bauer

12:00 PM-1:15 PM-Lunch

Ballroom

Introductions, Elizabeth Thorndike, Center for Environmental Information

Special Presentation – Adirondack Achievement Award

Presented by Michael Wilson, Associate Director, Sagamore Institute

Keynote Speaker-Joseph Visalli, Director, Energy Resources, Transportation & Power Systems, and Environmental Research, NYSERDA

Energy and Environmental Research at NYSERDA and Implications for the Adirondacks.

1:15 PM-1:45 PM-ARC Business Meeting

Ballroom

1:45 PM-2:00 PM-Break

Grand Hall

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2:00 PM-5:00 PM-Concurrent Sessions

Concurrent Session I

Ballroom

Workshop on Participatory Community Problem-Solving
Shanna Ratner

Concurrent Session II

Lower Regis

Focus Group Discussion on Invasive Species Management
James Skaley

Thank You for Participating in this Year's Conference

Please Remember to Complete Your Evaluation

Poster Session

Grand Hall

A Preliminary Study of the Relationship Between the Availability of Preferred Browse and Protective Cover as it Influences Use by Snowshoe Hares

Myers, T. Nead, S. Sears, J. Wiegert, C. Yost, C. Evans

J. Butz, S. Dalton, D. Donahue, J. Feld, L.

A Study Evaluating the Use and Accuracy of the USGS' National Aerial Photography Program in Aiding Adirondack Park Agency Wetland Specialists in Locating, Delineating and Designating Wetlands in the Northern Adirondack Park

Dennis Donahue

An Investigation of the Efficacy of the Watershed Stewardship Program's Educational Message

Eric Holmlund

Changes in the Tropic Status of Star Lake in the Northeastern Adirondack Park

James Wolfe

Common Loon as a Tool for Environmental Education

David Adams, David Evers, Fred Realbuto

Nina Schoch, Valerie Trudeau, Michale Glennon,

Effects of Forest Management on Riparian Plant Communities and Riparian Zone Width in Upland Adirondack Watersheds

Michael Dieterich, Thomas Woodcock, Kenneth Adams, Timothy Mihuc

Feeding Patterns of Brook Trout in Adirondack Upland Streams

Woodcock, Corey Laxson, Luke Myers

David Welch, Timothy Mihuc, Tom

GIS Habitat Model for Spruce Grouse in the Adirondack Park

Angelena Ross, Glenn Johnson

Rigel Aldridge, Sunita Halsz, John Barge,

Interaction Between Silvicultural Treatments, Deer Browsing, and Seedling Regeneration in a Northern Hardwoods Forest

Rose Thelan, James Allen, Celia Evans

Leaf Litter and its Influence on Invertebrate Community Assemblages in Northern Forested Streams

Luke Myers, Timothy Mihuc

Migration Patterns and Wintering Range of Common Loons Breeding in New York State: Preliminary Findings

Valerie Trudeau, Fred Realbuto, Andrew Major

David Adams, Kevin Kenow, David Evers, Nina Schoch, Robert Kratt, Michale Glennon,

Monitoring Discharges in Natural Channels in the Adirondack Mountains

A. Romanowicz

Joe Thouin, Brett Jutras, E.

Potential Climate Change Impacts on Downhill Skiing

Kate Detweiler, Leslie Karasin

Stream Benthic Macroinvertebrate Composition in Managed and Preserved Adirondack Headwater Catchments

L. Myers

Timothy Jackson, T. B. Mihuc, T. Woodcock, J. R. Mihuc, K. Spring, C. Tran, D. Welch,

Teaching Environmental Science and Policy Through a Critical Analysis of a Regional Environmental Controversy: Does It Improve Understanding and Change Attitudes?

Tom Langen, Rick Welsh

Testing the Growth/Differentiation Balance Hypothesis on American Beech Trees Infected with Beech Bark Disease in the Adirondack Uplands

Celia Evans

The Adirondack Atlas, A Geographic Portrait of the Adirondack Park

Jerry Jenkins, Andy Keal

**The Adirondack Park is Not an Island: Actions and Interactions in the Study of an Invasive Species
– Non-native *Phragmites australis*** Scott Perez

Toward a Holistic Interpretive Plan for the Hitchens Pond Primitive Areas of the Bog River Flow
Sarah Seeley, Michael Wilson