

2007 NH Land Conservation Coalition Meeting

Thursday January 25, 9 a.m. to 12 noon
NH Audubon, 3 Silk Farm Road, Concord, NH

Agenda

8:30 a.m. Coffee and Networking

8:45 a.m. Welcome and Introductions

Richard Minard, Jr. *President & Chief Executive Officer, NH Audubon*

9:00 a.m. Open Space Development

Jill Robinson, *Senior Planner, Rockingham Planning Commission*

Carolyn Russell, *Water Quality Impact Planner, NH Dept. of Environmental Services*

- How does a good land conservation plan designate areas for protection using a science-based method?
- How does open space development protect natural resources?

9:45 a.m. Panel Discussion

Paul Doscher, *Vice President, Land Conservation, SPNHF*

Jonathan Edwards, *Director of Planning and Zoning, Town of Hanover*

Jill Robinson, *Senior Planner, Rockingham Planning Commission*

Carolyn Russell, *Water Quality Impact Planner, NH Dept. of Environmental Services*

- Can open space development ordinances be written to better protect conservation resources?
- How can the land trust community influence the planning process?
- What can land trusts do to help target critical areas for protection?

10:15 a.m. Break and Refreshments

10:30 a.m. Agricultural Commissions

What are they and how can you start them in your town?

Nada Haddad, *Extension educator, agricultural resources, UNH Cooperative Extension*

11:00 a.m. Review Court Case, Glass Vs. Commissioner of Internal Revenue

Review of recent IRS challenges to conservation easement donations and deductions, with discussion of recent Glass opinion upholding Tax Court decision for taxpayer/landowner. Tom Masland, *Attorney, Ransmeier & Spellman*

11:15 a.m. New Hampshire State Funding for Land Conservation

Will Abbott, *Vice President, Policy and Land Management, SPNHF*

Chris Wells, *Director of Policy, SPNHF*

11:30 a.m. NH Wetland Mitigation In-lieu-Fee Program,

Lori Sommer, *NH Dept of Environmental Services, Wetlands Bureau*

11:45 a.m. Adjourn

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