

Atlantic Coastal Fish Habitat Partnership Annual Meeting

November 2010

The Atlantic Coastal Fish Habitat Partnership (ACFHP) met for its first annual meeting on November 10th. The group heard an overview of ACFHP activities from its chair, which was followed by case study presentations on the FY10 ACFHP funded projects: *Alewife Brook/Scoy Pond and Staudinger's Pond Alewife Access and Habitat Enhancement* and *Goose Creek Dam Eel Passage Restoration* projects, made by representatives of the New York Department of Environmental Conservation and the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources, respectively.

Next, the group heard a keynote address from the Coastal Conservation League, on their work in South Carolina. This presentation was followed by presentations and panel discussion on landscape conservation and climate change activities, which was made up of individuals representing the North Atlantic Landscape Conservation Cooperative, the DOI Climate Science Centers, and the Atlantic Coast Joint Venture.

The group also heard an update on the National Fish Habitat Action Plan activities, including but not limited to, the National Fish Habitat Action Plan Assessment and the 2010 report on *The Status of Fish Habitats in the US* by a staff member to the National Fish Habitat Board.

Following presentations and questions, the group held thoughtful discussion regarding ACFHP's role in leveraging project funding for its partners, which was followed by updates from partners regarding their agency or individual priority work items during the upcoming two years.

To view presentations from the Annual Meeting please visit:
<http://www.atlanticfishhabitat.org/otherEvents.cfm>.