Atlantic Coastal Fish Habitat Partnership

Steering Committee Meeting
November 7-8, 2011
Boston, MA

Draft Agenda

Monday, November 7, 2011

Call-in Number: 1-866-244-8528
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Webex: https://www3.gotomeeting.com/join/373097086

❖ Welcome and Introductions, K. Smith 1:00
  ➢ New member: Russ Babb

❖ Multistate Conservation Grant Application Status, P. Campfield 1:15

❖ Status of FWS-NFHAP Projects (FY10 and FY11), J. Devers 1:20
  ➢ Goose Creek Dam Eel Passage Restoration
  ➢ Scoy Pond and Staudinger’s Pond Alewife Access and Habitat Enhancement
  ➢ Shoreline and Spartina Marsh Stabilization along the Intracoastal Waterway
  ➢ Shoreys Brook Diadromous Fish Passage and Habitat Restoration

❖ NFHAP Update 1:40
  ➢ AFS-NFHAP Symposium, P. Pajak
  ➢ Status of Performance Criteria and Allocation Framework, E. Greene

❖ FWS-NFHAP Funding Applications FY12, J. Devers 2:00
  ➢ Brief Summary of Each Project
  ➢ Review Project Selection Subcommittee Ranking Recommendations
    o Discuss/approve a final set of rankings

❖ Break 3:00

❖ Implementation Planning, G. Schuler 3:10
  ➢ Review Progress to Date
  ➢ Break-Out Groups
  ➢ Discussion

❖ Melissa Laser Award Criteria, Process, and Instructions, W. Laney 4:40
  ➢ Review and consider for approval

❖ Recess 5:00
Tuesday, November 8, 2011

- Implementation Planning (cont.), G. Schuler 8:00
- Discuss Agenda for the Spring Partnership-at-Large meeting, K. Smith 9:00
- Break 9:30
- Regional Updates 9:40
  - South Atlantic LCC, E. Greene
  - North Atlantic LCC and NE Climate Science Center, R. Muir
  - USGS ecohydrology research activities that can contribute to fish habitat needs, Rep from USGS MA Water Science Centers (10:00)
  - Prioritizing NE Stream Barriers for Mitigation, E. Martin/C. Apse (10:20)
- Other Business 10:40
- Field Trip Presentations 10:50
  - Mystic Lakes Dam, B. Chase
  - Wapping Road Dam, B. Lambert
- Adjourn 11:30
- Field Trip, M. Rousseau
  - Hotel Departure (12:00)
  - Mystic Lakes Dam site visit and Q&A (12:30)
  - Wapping Road Dam site visit and Q&A (3:00)
  - Hotel Return (4:30)
Fish Passage Site Visits

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Field trip sponsored by MA Division of Marine Fisheries and Atlantic Coastal Fish Habitat Partnership

Project Site Descriptions:

❖ Mystic Lakes Dam, Medford, MA

Construction of a Denil fish ladder on the reconstructed Mystic Lakes Dam has allowed access to 160 acres of river herring spawning habitat. A recent technical report on the spawning habitat in the Upper Lake is available. The site also includes a low flow channel outlet for juvenile river herring emigration and the largest eel ramp in a MA coastal river.

❖ Wapping Road Dam, Jones River, Kingston, MA

Removal of the Wapping Road Dam, the second in a series of three dams on the Jones River, is underway. A fish ladder is in place at the downstream dam and a feasibility study is planned for a passage project in the headwaters great pond, at the final mainstem barrier. Long-term smelt, eel, and water chemistry monitoring is also being conducted on the River.

Timeline:

11:00 Project presentations and lunch
12:00 Leave hotel, travel to Mystic Lake Dam, Medford (9 miles, 20 minutes)
12:30 – 1:15 On-site visit with Q and A
1:15 – 2:30 Transit from Medford site to Wapping Road Dam, Kingston (45 miles, 60 minutes)
2:30 – 3:15 On-site visit with Q and A
3:15 – 4:30 Transit from Kingston back to hotel (35 miles, 60 minutes)

If you’re interested in participating, please let Emily know by October 13th.