Appalachian LCC (ALCC) Interim Steering Committee (ISC)

	(draft – ver April 28, 2011) Agenda Item: May 4 th Charleston, WV
8-9:00	Continental Breakfast – meeting room
8:45- 9:30	1. Welcome, introductions, and overview of the ALCC and service on the Interim Steering Committee {David Whitehurst, Chair ALCC ISC} {Marvin Moriarty, USFWS NE Regional Director}
9:30- 10:15	 Presentation: Setting-the-scene Conservation Challenges and Opportunities in an Era of Unprecedented Change {Jean Brennan, LCC Coordinator} Break
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11:30	3. Discussion: to identify shared interests, commitment, and opportunities to work more efficiently and effectively in addressing the challenges facing resource management from both a spatial and temporal planning perspective. Expected Outcome: Identification of shared interests, commitment, and opportunities.
	Consider:
	What are our biggest challenges to working at the landscape scale, and to achieving landscape-level planning and conservation? What will approximately (section and for other Conservation to work the section).
	 What will your organization/sector need from the Cooperative to meet those challenges? What resources and initiatives does your organization/sector bring to the Cooperative? How will we define and measure success in terms of product and process?
	Lunch Break
1:00- 1:30	4. Preliminary Discussion: to guide the drafting of a Vision and Mission Statement Expected Outcome: Agreement on general tone, scope, and focus, with specific guidance/commitment from members to serve in preparing draft etc.
1:30- 2:30	5. Preliminary Discussion: on Governance and Structure of the ALCC <i>Expected Outcome:</i> Agreement on general tone, scope, and focus, with specific guidance/commitment from members to serve in preparing draft etc.
	Break
3:00- 4:00	6. Discussion: Conservation Priorities and Thematic Conservation Management Needs and Science Portfolio (initial discussion related to information management, research needs and priorities) Expected Outcome: Articulation of conservation priorities and areas of interest and organizing framework. This will also guide the (draft) Operations Plan (Actions and Activities Section) and help inform conservation funding priorities as identified. Consider:
	 What do we want to accomplish in this coming year over the next 3+ years? How do we want to proceed in considering support of research needs (solicitation, selection criteria and process, mechanism etc.)?
4:00- 4:30	7. Presentation and Discussion: ALCC Communication Strategy <i>Consider:</i>
	• What is the best way to support the various aspects of communications (among ISC members, technical partners, with our broader stakeholders, local decision-makers, and non-traditional partners)?What products/modes of communication are recommended?
4:30- 5:00	 8. Other Business/Updates: the National Network, neighboring LCCs, and (DOI/USGS) Climate Science Centers (in the SE & NE Areas) 9. Next Steps & Next Meeting